

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday Passage and Resources

On Palm Sunday we prepare our hearts for Easter by **remembering His Love for us as our Savior**. On the First Palm Sunday, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey and honored him by placing palm branches and coats in the street and crying out “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” We participate in this day by celebrating Jesus’ love for us.

Passage:

“The next day the great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting: ‘Hosanna!’ ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’ ‘Blessed is the King of Israel!’”

John 12:12-13 (NIV)

Invitations: We invite you to shape your day in response to Jesus’ love. Here are some suggestions for how you may choose to respond today:

1. **Find a way to celebrate God and his goodness in life.** Say a prayer, watch something that you think is really funny, call a friend you haven’t talked to in a while. Share a dessert with someone in your home. Or what we will do, put on your favorite music and dance in the kitchen. There is Joy in knowing that Jesus is King over everything. (You can find our dance playlist on the Holy Week Resources page at occ.org)
2. **Place yourself in a posture of remembrance.** It doesn’t have to be a sad thing, just a position of your heart where you are remembering Jesus and his love for you. A suggestion is to read John 12 today as you connect more about Jesus Journey through Holy Week.

