

# The New Utrecht Reformed Church Palm and Passion Sunday 16th of March 2008

We are a Friendly People seeking to Share Christ's Love! We Welcome You to our Worship!

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### Schedule of Holy Week Services

Please join us in prayer & fellowship during the holiest week of our year:

## Maundy/Holy Thursday: March 20th at 8 PM

Communion Service & Foot Washing

We encourage you to allow your feet to be washed as part of our service.

Wear comfortable shoes and socks that can Easily be put on and off!





## Good Friday: March 21st at 8 PM

Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows
The Seven Last Words of Jesus

Easter Sunday: March 23rd at 11 AM

Celebration of the Resurrection & Holy Eucharist



**OUR APPROACH TO GOD** 

Prelude

Introit "Outside the Holy City" Dykes

Welcome and Call to Worship: Psalms 24, 68 & 118

Lift up, O gates, your lintels:

REACH UP, YOU ANCIENT PORTALS, THAT THE KING OF GLORY MAY COME IN.

Your solemn processions are seen, O God,

THE PROCESSIONS OF MY GOD, MY KING, INTO THE SANCTUARY-

The singers in front, the musicians last,

BETWEEN THEM CHILDREN PLAYING TAMBOURINES.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

BIND THE FESTAL PROCESSION WITH BRANCHES, UP TO THE HORNS OF THE ALTAR.

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 21: 1 -9A

Following verse 9A: The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting:

(Please join in together:)

HOSANNA TO THE SON OF DAVID!

BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST HEAVEN!

The reading continues with verses 10 - 11

\*Hymn: BB716 "The King Of Glory" vs 1,2,3

Let us be before our God in silence.

Unison Prayer: from the Hosanna Rabbah (Ps 145)

I WILL EXALT YOU, MY GOD, THE KING, AND I WILL BLESS YOUR NAME FOREVER AND EVER. EVERY DAY I WILL BLESS YOU. AND I WILL LAUD YOUR NAME FOREVER AND EVER. EACH GENERATION WILL PRAISE YOUR DEEDS TO THE NEXT AND OF YOUR MIGHTY DEEDS THEY WILL TELL. THE SPLENDOROUS GLORY OF YOUR POWER AND YOUR WONDROUS DEEDS I SHALL DISCUSS. AND OF YOUR AWESOME POWER I WILL SPEAK, AND YOUR GREATNESS I SHALL RELATE. A RECOLLECTION OF YOUR ABUNDANT GOODNESS WILL I UTTER AND OF YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS I WILL SING EXULTANTLY. ALL YOUR

WORSK SHALL THANK YOU, LORD, AND YOUR DEVOUT ONES WILL BLESS YOU.

OF THE GLORY OF YOUR KINGDOM I WILL SPEAK, AND OF YOUR POWER

I WILL TELL. TO INFORM HUMAN BEINGS OF YOUR MIGHTY DEEDS AND THE GLORIOUS SPLENDOR OF YOUR REIGN. YOUR REIGN IS A REIGN SPANNING ALL

ETERNITIES, AND YOUR DOMINION IS THROUGHOUT EVERY GENERATION.

LORD YOU SUPPORT ALL THE FALLEN ONES AND STRAIGHTEN ALL THE BENT.

Kyrie (sung) LORD HAVE MERCY UPON US. CHRIST HAVE MERCY UPON US. LORD HAVE MERCY UPON US.

A Word of Assurance and The Summary of the Law (Mk 12: 29-31)

This is the first commandment:

HEAR O ISRAEL, THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE! THEREFORE YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.

This is the second commandment.

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

There is no greater commandment than these.

Anthem "The Palms" Faure

#### THE WORD OF GOD

\*Responsive Reading: 118: 19-29

\*Gloria Patri (Hymn No 623) GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY GHOST. AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END, AMEN, AMEN!

The Greeting of Peace

Announcements

Children's Moment

\*Hymn 174 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Jewish Scripture: Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Epistle: Philippians: 2: 5- 11

"The Passion of Our Lord"

Gospel: Matthew

at the conclusion of the Passion we pause in silence and then respond aloud: WE ADORE YOU O CHRIST AND WE BLESS YOU, BECAUSE BY YOUR HOLY CROSS YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Meditation

\* Hymn 173 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

#### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Offering \*Doxology (625) and Prayer

PRAISE GOD FROM ALL WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW; PRAISE GOD ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW; PRAISE GOD ABOVE YE HEAVENLY HOSTS; PRAISE FATHER (CREATOR), SON (CHRIST) AND HOLY GHOST.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Lord's Prayer

"The Blessing of the Palms"

\*Hymn BB 623 "Lift High the Cross"

\*Response to the Benediction

\*Benediction Postlude

The palms and flowers gracing the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our beloved parents Josephine & Henr, grandparents and loved ones by the Safay family.

Easter Dedication: Today is the last day! If you would like to dedicate Easter Lilies in Honor or memory of a someone, please fill out the form found in the basket on the table. Place a donation in the envelope. Today is the last day for dedications. Thanks!