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**BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING**

**PALM SUNDAY**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020**

*During this challenging time, the Duke Chapel staff continues to pray regularly for Duke, Durham, the nation, and the world. We invite you to join us online in this Service of Word and Prayer from wherever in the world you may be. Please note that all in-person services and events have been canceled until further notice. Please check the Chapel website for updates: [chapel.duke.edu](http://chapel.duke.edu).*

**Opening Voluntary**

Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 735

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

**Greeting and Call to Worship**

**Blessing of the Palms**

**Minister:** God our Savior, your Son Jesus entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die;

**People:** Let these palms be for us signs of his victory.

**Minister:** Grant that we who bear these palms in his name may ever hail him as our King;

**People:** And give us grace to follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. Amen.

**Opening Hymn | See Hymn Sheet.**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

**Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance**

**Eternal God:** In Jesus Christ you entered Jerusalem to die for our sins. We confess that we have not hailed you as King, or gone before you in the world with praise. For brief faith that fades in trouble, for enthusiasms that fizzle out, for hopes we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us. Forgive us, God, and give us such trust in your power that, in every city, we may live for your justice and tell of your loving-kindness; for the sake of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Humble King Jesus, hailed by the crowd as Messiah:** as we hear your word proclaimed today, grant us the faith to know you and love you, so that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen.

## Scripture Readings

Psalm 31:9-16

Matthew 21:1-11

## Homily

Hymn | See Hymn Sheet.

Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty

TRURO

## Prayers of Intercession

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Each prayer concludes with the words:

Minister: Hear us, O God,

People: your mercy is great.

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Blessing

## Closing Voluntary

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