

## Traditional Service

11:00 am

### Prelude

**All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

(Composer: Jacques Berthier)

### Introit

**Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

(Arranger: Krug)

### Welcome & Announcements

#### Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made;  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it

### Opening Hymn

**All Glory, Laud, and Honor #146**

#### Responsive Reading Zechariah 9:9 & Psalm 118:19-29

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

**Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,**

Humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

**Open for me the gates of the righteous;**

**I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.**

This is the gate of the LORD

through which the righteous may enter.

**I will give you thanks, for you answered me;**

**you have become my salvation.**

The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

**The LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

The LORD has done it this very day;

let us rejoice today and be glad.

**Hosanna! LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success!**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

From the house of the LORD we bless you.

**The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us.**

With boughs in hand,

join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

**You are my God, and I will praise you;**

You are my God, and I will exalt you.

**ALL: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;**

**his love endures forever.**

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace, humbled yourself and gave yourself for us. We confess our lack of humility. As you entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted "Hosanna: 'Save us now!'" On Good Friday they shouted "Crucify!" We confess our praise is also often empty. As the crowd laid their palms in front of you, you took no glory for yourself. We confess that we want to be accepted and take the easy way. We do not stay true to your will. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to follow in the way of obedience.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)*

*In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

### Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### Response

**Glory be to the Father #961**

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.

### Passing the Peace

#### Joining God's Mission

**Exodus World Service**

(Greg Buell, Erin Gosser and Bridget Quinn)

### Anthem

**Hosanna to the Son of David**

(Composer: Halls)

### Scripture Reading

**Matthew 26:36-46**

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon

**The Last Temptation:  
Your Will or God's?**

*The Temptations of Jesus*

### Musical Reflection

**Behold Him in Dark Gethsemane**

(Composer: Althouse)

### Doxology

**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below

Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

### Closing Hymn

**O Sacred Head, Now Wounded #168**

### Benediction

### Postlude

**Concerto #3: II. Andante**

(Composer: Tomaso Albinoni)

#### Worship Participants

Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Greg Buell
Contemporary Worship Leader	Luke Stoner
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Director of Traditional Music	Logan Henke
Choral Music	Village Church Choir
Introit Music	Village Church Bell Choir
Joining God's Mission	Exodus World Service: Greg Buell, Erin Gosser and Bridget Quinn
Scripture Reader	Cathy Burnham (9:30) Ron Mantegna (11:00)
Prayers of the People	Ed Burton (11:00)
Organist	Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Soloist	A.C. Buehler

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## Contemporary Service

9:30 am

## Questions for Discussion

Welcome & Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Shout Hosanna

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

Prayer of Confession

His Mercy is More

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

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Scripture Reading

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

The Last Temptation:  
Your Will or God's?  
*The Temptations of Jesus*

Closing Song

Lamb

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Blessing

### Digging Deeper:

1. Read Matthew 26:36-46. Why do you think Jesus took the disciples with him to the garden if he was going to pray by himself? (v.36) Why did he then take Peter, James, and John to go with him? (v.37)
2. What was Jesus' mood and emotional state that evening? Why? What did Jesus ask of the three disciples, and why was that important to him? (v.37-38)
3. What was the essence of Jesus' prayer to God? What was the "cup" he was referring to?
4. How did Jesus both lift up his own desires and submit to God? Do your own personal prayers tend to be lifting up your own desires, seeking and submitting to God's will, or both? (v.39)
5. Why was it upsetting to Jesus to find the disciples asleep? What was Jesus' warning to them and how might that be a warning for us today? In what ways do we run the danger of "being asleep" to temptations or in serving Jesus? (v. 40-41)
6. How does Jesus' prayer in v.42 compare to the previous one? What does this reveal about his heart and character?
7. What is the significance of Jesus finding his closest disciples asleep three times? How might this give us caution as followers of Jesus?
8. What happened after Jesus found the disciples asleep the last time? What did this signify? (v. 45-46)

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