

Scriptures April 13, 2025

First Reading Psalm 118 1-2, 19- 29

One: O give thanks to God, for God is good;

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Let all Israel say,

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Open to me the gates of righteousness

All: that I may enter through them and give thanks to God.

One: This is the gate of God; the righteous shall enter through it.

All: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

One: The stone the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

All: This is God's doing: it is marvelous in our eyes.

One: This is the day that God has made:

All: let us be rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Save us, we beseech you, O God!

All: O God, we beseech you, give us success!

One: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God.

All: We bless you from the house of God.

One: The Sovereign is God and God has given us light.

All: Bind the festal procession with the branches, up to the horns of the altar.

One: You are my God and I will give thanks to you

All: You are my God, I will extol you.

One: O give thanks to God, for God is God

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Second Reading Luke 19:28-40 NRSV

Jesus Enters Jerusalem

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' ³⁴ They said, 'The Lord needs it.' ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now

approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

‘Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!’

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, order your disciples to stop.’ ⁴⁰ He answered, ‘I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.’