

Prelude	<i>Hosanna!</i> Narmina Aliyeva	P. Wachs
Passing of the Peace*		Rev. Dom Short Mejia
Special Music	<i>A Hosanna Processional</i>  Children's Choir & Chancel Choir with Narmina Aliyeva	Karen Crane & Roger Thornhill arr. Stacey Nordmeyer
Call to Worship*		<i>*Rise in body or spirit</i>
Sing songs of loudest praise! <b>Hosanna!</b> Sing songs that are unashamed. <b>Hosanna!</b> Sing songs without being afraid. <b>Hosanna!</b> Sing for the God of tomorrow and today. <b>Hosanna!</b> Let us worship the One worthy to be praised.		
Opening Hymn*	<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i>	UMH #278
Collection of Prayer Cards <b>Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; Through pilliard court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.</b>  <b>From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, The victor palm branch was waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.</b>  <b>"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!</b>		
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Special Music	<i>Sing Hosanna</i>  Children's Choir & Chancel Choir with Tim Berridge & Narmina Aliyeva	Michael Jothen
Children's Message		Rev. Dom Short Mejia
<i>After the conclusion of today's Children's Moments, children 4 years old-3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to attend Children's Church in South Fellowship Hall until the end of the worship service.</i>		
Season of Prayer Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Lou Seipel

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Grace

**Holy God, we want to run into the streets and sing your praise! We want to be bold and unashamed of this good-news Gospel. However, too often we find ourselves standing against the wall. Too often we stay quiet. Too often we let others carry the song. Forgive us for the moments when we could lead the parade but instead find ourselves standing on the sidelines. Show us which songs are ours to sing. Show us which parades are ours to lead, and then give us the courage and conviction to do both. With hope and honesty, we pray, Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Prayer Response *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

UMH #400, verse 1

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of thy redeeming love.**

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Offering of Ministry and Gifts

Offertory Music

*Ride on! Ride On in Majesty*

Rev. Lou Seipel

Henry Hart Milman

Tim Berridge & Friends

Doxology\*

*Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow*

UMH #94

Offertory Prayer\*

**Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Triumphant Reading\*

John 12:12-16

Rev. Lou Seipel

Sermon

"Songs of Loudest Praise"

Rev. Dom Short Mejia

Passion Reading\*

John 19:23-30

Rev. Lou Seipel

Closing Hymn and Stripping of the Altar *What Wondrous Love Is This*

UMH #292

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.**

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life  
To lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
To lay aside his crown for my soul.**

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing;  
While millions join the theme I will sing.**

**And when from death, I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,**

And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

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#### Closing Words

*Our worship will continue on Thursday at 7pm in Potter Chapel and Friday at 7pm in the Sanctuary.*

#### Postlude

*Herzlich Tut Mich Verlangen  
(My Heart is Filled with Longing)  
Narmina Aliyeva*

J. Brahms

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### **Announcements**

**Altar Flowers:** Our altar flowers are provided by Wayne and Faye Tyler in celebration of their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Livestreamed Service:** The 10 am service is being livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

**Events today:** Early service, 9am • Lenten Small Group, 9am • Regular service, 10am • Hospitality, 11am • Elizabeth Circle Sandwich Making, 11am • Jubilee Ringers 11:30am • Columbus Rings, 6pm

**Weekly Offering (electronically):** Go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z2ZG/home>

**Holy Week Morning Praise and Prayer:** We hope that you will join us in our morning order of Praise and Prayer, Monday-Saturday, March 25-30, at 7:30am in the Dixon Lounge. Pastor Dom will lead a brief (15-minute) service of prayer, silence, and scripture reading each day of Holy Week. A copy of the daily prayers and praise can be sent to those who wish to participate at home.

**Maundy Thursday Worship:** Thursday, March 28 at 7pm in the Potter Chapel. Our theme will be "Streams of Mercy." This service will feature music, communion, a brief sermon, and a ritual of cleansing.

**Good Friday Community Worship Service:** Friday, March 29 at 12pm on the Village Green. This is a gathering for all in the Worthington community, regardless of faith or denominational affiliation. Come and join us as we travel the stations of the cross with Christ. This moving liturgy will begin by Worthington Presbyterian Church and will travel between the churches on the Green.

**Good Friday Evening Worship:** Friday, March 29 at 7pm in the Sanctuary and on our YouTube livestream. Our theme will be "Prone to Leave the God I Love." This service will focus on telling the Passion narrative through scripture reading and song.

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday, March 31 at 9 and 10am. Our theme will be "And I Hope." This will take place during our typical worship times and places - 9am in the Potter Chapel and 10am in the Sanctuary. The 10am worship service will be livestreamed on our YouTube page, as usual.

**VBS Fundraiser:** Please fill your M&M tubes with quarters and return them to the church office at Easter. All donations collected from this fundraiser will be used towards Vacation Bible School this summer!

**Next Week's Lectionary:** Acts 10:34-43; Psalms 118:1-2,14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

**Keep us in the loop!** Please contact our pastors with pastoral concerns, including hospitalizations, births and deaths. Contact Dom at [dominic@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:dominic@worthingtonumc.com) or Lou at [lou@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:lou@worthingtonumc.com)

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