



FAITH AT HOME

Aldersgate Church ~ St. Louis Park, MN

Week of April 10, 2022: John 12:22-27, 19:16b-22

Memory Verse

John 12:26: "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor."

A Time to Pray

A Prayer for the Day:

Dear God, this week, we remember Jesus' last days before dying on a cross. Help us to remember him, and all he said and did. And help us be the kind of friend to others that he is to us.

A Bedtime Blessing:

Rest my child,
Close your eyes
Drift into
The night time skies
Dream good dreams,
Full of light
Rest my child,
And goodnight.

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The Story:

Palm Sunday

"Hip, hip, hooray",
let's praise Jesus today,
"hip, hip, hooray",
on this Palm Sunday.

Palm branches waving,
cloaks a laying,
donkey braying, "hosanna",
people saying.

Part of the crowd
shouting out loud,
"Jesus our king!"
That's what we'll sing.

Disciples were there,
stopping to stare,
didn't have a clue
what to do.

"Hip, hip, hooray", let's praise Jesus today,
"Hip, hip, hooray", on this Palm Sunday.



Activities:

"Hosanna!" And Palms (any age):

You will need: green construction paper, **palm template** OR real palm branches.



Follow instructions to make palm branches. Or, using real palm branches, read the Retelling for Young People, Palm Sunday poem, waving branches. Discuss how it might have felt as the crowds welcomed Jesus that day with all the noise and shouting and palm waving. Discuss how they might have felt being part of the crowd that day welcoming Jesus and discuss how we welcome people today.

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Passion Sunday

Soldiers in their neatly pressed uniforms,
people pushing to get a better view.
Priests smiling at the outcome of their deeds,
and Jesus burdened by a cross.

Soldiers who were only doing their duty,
people painting signs to pin above the cross.

Priests watching every little move,
Jesus stumbling under the weight of wood.



Soldiers dividing clothes with the throw of a dice
people braying insults far and wide,
priests praying now their work is done.
Jesus caring for his mum at the last

Soldiers mocking every move,
people watching life drain away,
priests spying on those gathered there,
Jesus dying on this day.

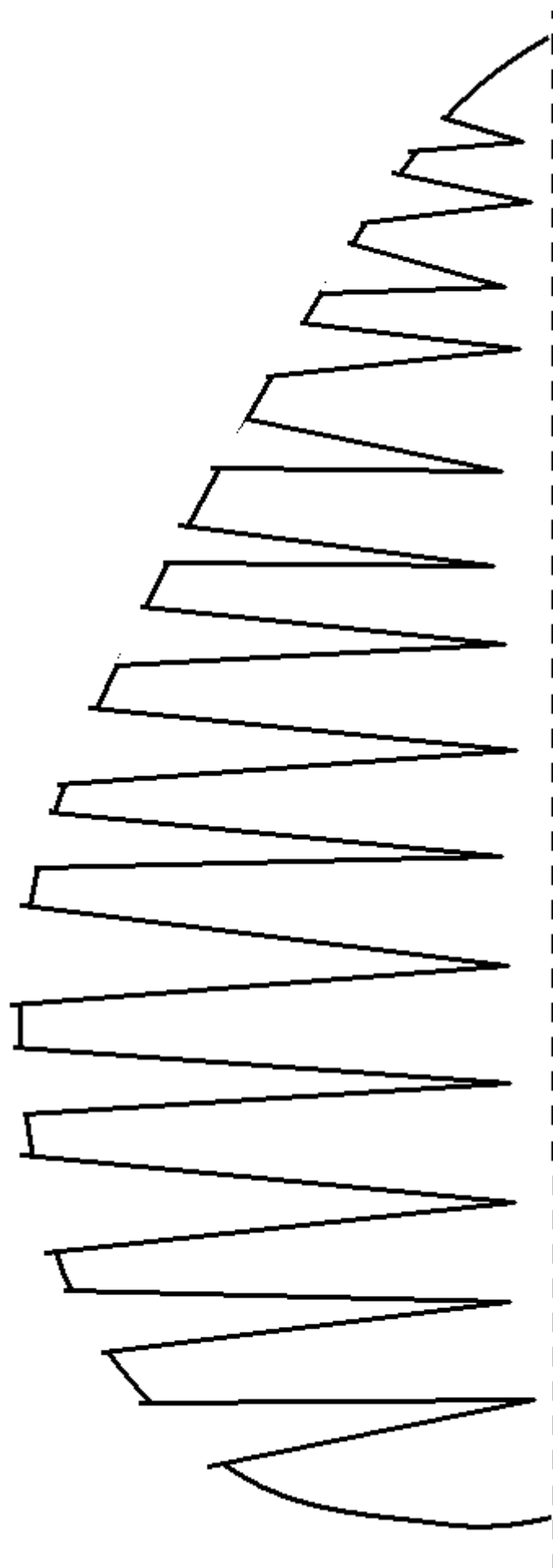
Holy Week Schedule:

(All services in-person & online)

Palm Sunday: April 10 ~ 10:00am

Good Friday: April 15 ~ 7:00pm

Easter Sunday: April 17 ~ 10:00am



Paper Palm Leaf

Cut this template along the dotted line.

Fold a piece of green construction paper in half and paper clip the template so the dotted line is along the fold.

Cut through the template and both layers of construction paper along the black lines.

Discard the template (unless you want to make more leaves).

Unfold the construction paper to see your finished palm leaf.

Optional: Tape a green pipe cleaner or thin rolled tube of construction paper to the center as a stem.

