

Rejoicing Spirits at Calvary Lutheran Church – March 16th



On this Palm Sunday, the message was “Jesus makes a special entry”. Pastor Gwen led us as we waved our palms with shouts of Hosanna! The Holy Spirit was in our midst.

We gave glory to God in a way that surely made God smile. As we always do when we worship together, we shared Christ’s love, sang about it, heard about it, and prayed.

Following are a few things we heard and experienced in our service this month:

As we sang -

- Pastor Gwen played her guitar and sang so beautifully “Oh how I love Jesus”
- Robby rejoiced, hearing the guitar playing from Pastor Gwen and James
- We learned that Hosanna means “save us now.”
“Hosanna, Heysanna, wave your palms.
Hosanna, Heysanna, clap your hands.
Hosanna! Heysanna, wave your palms
Blessed is Jesus, the Lord of lords!”
- “Higher than the mountains, deeper than the sea, wider than the ocean, is your love for me.”
- Music by gifted musicians, sharing their talent

As we read –

- Samantha read the Palm Sunday gospel message so beautifully from [Mathew 21:1-11](#)
“...They brought the donkey and the colt to Jesus and laid their coats on them, and Jesus sat on them. Many people spread their coats on the road. Others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road....”
- We learned that Jesus knew that this would be the last time that he entered Jerusalem

As we prayed –

- Chris said a prayer
- Special prayers from each other
- Fred led us in the Lord’s Prayer “Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name...”

As we shared –

- We had a grand parade to remember Jesus and lift him up. It was a grand entrance for Jesus. Rex rode in on a donkey as Jesus. Nikki and TJ laid garments on the ground ahead of Jesus. Teddy laid palms on the path that Jesus would take. We all waved our palms.
- Passing of God’s peace in a most sincere way, more than a handshake and quick words.
- Hugs and greetings and sincere fellowship
- Love

As we closed –

- Samantha helped Pastor Gwen in the dismissal saying “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.” and we said “Thanks be to God.”

We look forward to worshipping together next month on April 20th in God’s presence as a part of this Rejoicing Spirits community.

May the peace of the Lord be with you,
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