CASTILE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
4 Washington Street Castile, NY 14427

Palm Sunday & Communion
Sunday, April 2, 2023 10:00 AM

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Prelude
Ringing of Tower Bell – 10:00 AM

◈Processional Hymn: "Blessed Is He That Cometh" (on insert)

Greeting and Announcements

Call to Worship: (You may be seated)
Pastor: This is a day of joyous welcome.
Yet, joy is tempered by impending doom.
People: We welcome Christ with waving branches.
We wait with Christ through hours of agony.
Pastor: Our leader comes humbly, riding a donkey.
Blessed is the one who comes in God's name.
People: Jesus rides into the tumult of our times.
People will oppose the way of love.
Pastor: Yet love prevails in spite of opposition.
Give thanks that God's steadfast love endures forever.
People: Open to us the gates of righteousness.
Let us enter in the light God offers.

◈Hymn No. 173 "All Glory, Laud & Honor" vs. 1 & 2

◈Prayer of Invocation:
Holy God, whose steadfast love offers direction and purpose to our lives, help us to be faithful in the small things you ask of us day to day, that we may see all that you reveal to us, give thanks in all circumstances, and grow toward the mind of Christ. In obedient trust, we enter this Holy Week, eager to participate in a world transformed by love. Amen.

◈Gloria Patri

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 31:9-16

Children's Message: "The King Is Coming"
Dismissal to Sunday School

Castile UCC Church Choir: "Hosanna!" - Sisson

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

Message: "Whose Line Is It Anyway?"

You Tube: "Palm Sunday Video" – Any Branches

Call to Prayer:
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer

◈Apostles Creed (No. 716 in Blue Hymnal)

Sacrament of Holy Communion
The Lord's Prayer (sins)

◈Closing Praise Hymn No. 81 "Hosanna" vs. 1 & 2

Benediction
Postlude

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Our offering plates are located in the Church narthex.

If you are a guest here today, we welcome you and invite you to visit us again whenever possible. Please introduce yourself to our Temporary Pastor, Tammy Lathan, before you leave today.