Reader: Blessed are they who hear and keep God's Word, AMEN

Meditation: Sinfonia from the Cantata 156 - Johann Sebastian Bach

Sermon: The unnamed woman

Reflection Song After the green blade rises #311

Prayers of the People and the *Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen. Announcements and Benediction

Sending Hymn: Ah, Holy Jesus #262

Postlude: Passion - Max Reger

We hope you will join us for our other activities! First Sunday: Worship at the Bergkirche and Livestream at 10AM Fourth Sunday: Walking Church at 11:15AM (location announced via email) Fourth or First Thursday: Choir rehearsal at 8PM For more information or to be added to the email list, please contact Rev. Hannah Cranbury. For choir information, contact Rhodri at rhodribritton@t-online.de.

Fundraising Update We are a ministry that can only exist because of the generosity of those who attend. If you feel moved to financially support this ministry, you may give an offering as you exit the church at the end of the service or make a transfer to the following account:

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Thank you for your ongoing support and your faith in this project!

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April 2nd, 2023 Palm Sunday



The unnamed woman anoints Jesus

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning! We are glad to have you with us. Here are a few things to help orient you during the service:

- Hymnals are available at the entrance to the sanctuary
- Bulletin items marked with a star invite you to stand in body or spirit, as you are able. During the Prayers of the People, please remain seated until the Pastor invites you to stand for the Lord's Prayer.
- Wenn Sie eine deutsche Übersetzung der Predigt wünschen, es liegen einige Exemplare auf dem Tisch am Eingang.

Musical Prelude: Marsche Triomphale - Jan Nieland

Greeting

Gathering Hymn : Hosanna, Loud Hosanna #267

Invocation: We gather today in the love of God, the compassion of Jesus, Our Brother, and of the Holy Spirit - AMEN

Psalm 69 - Reader and Congregation

Save me, O God, for the waters have almost taken my life. I have gone down into deep mud, with no place to put my feet.

I have come into deep waters that flood over me. I have cried until I am tired. My mouth is dry.

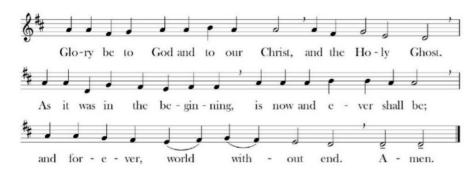
My eyes become weak while I wait for my God. Those who hate me for no reason, are more than the hairs on my head. Those who want to destroy me are powerful.

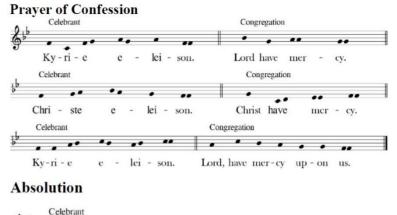
I have become a stranger to my brothers, a stranger to my mother's sons.

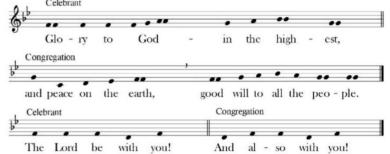
For the strong desire for Your house has burned me up. Take me out of the mud and do not let me go down in it. Take me away from those who hate me and from the deep waters.

> When I was thirsty they gave me sour wine. But I am suffering and in pain. O God, may You save me and set me up on high.

Come, let us worship!







Prayer (... through Jesus Christ, our brother and Guide) AMEN

The Gospel of Mark, Chapter 14, verses 3-9

And while Jesus was in Bethany at the home of Simon, who had had leprosy, as he was reclining, a woman came in with an alabaster flask of costly ointment of pure nard. And breaking the flask, she poured it over his head. Some of those at the table were indignant and said amongst themselves, "What was the purpose of wasting this expensive ointment.⁹ It could have been sold for over three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor!" And they scolded her harshly.

But Jesus replied, "Leave her alone. Why are you troubling her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. You will always have the poor with you, and you can help them whenever you want to. But you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body for burial beforehand. I tell you the truth, wherever the Good News is preached throughout the world, what this woman has done will be told in memory of her.