

## **HOSANNA!**

As preached on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

**Read:** Mark 11:1-11

1. Did you grow up celebrating Palm Sunday? If so, what memories do you have of those worship celebrations?
2. What do you make of Jesus sending his disciples into a village to retrieve a colt? Was it supernatural or was it something prearranged? Does it matter?
3. The disciples lift Jesus onto the colt and they begin their procession into Jerusalem. As they do so, the crowd begins to cry out in loud voices. What do they shout? What is the significance?
4. Why do you suppose Mark leaves the response of the Pharisees out of his account? What does Luke describe them doing?
5. Why do you think Mark leaves the response of the disciples out of his gospel?
6. According to Luke's account, how would creation have responded if it had been given a chance this day? (v.40)
7. Why do you think Jesus laments over Jerusalem in Luke's account? Do you think he would express a similar lament over those in our world today?
8. How will you prepare yourself for Easter during Holy Week? What can you do to make it a meaningful time of preparation for Easter?