



Sunday, March 24, 2024

Culmore  
United Methodist Church

Welcome and  
Good Morning!

# Happy Birthday!

Once again it's your birthday. Once again the time is here.  
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.  
Happy time is your birthday, happy time this year.  
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.  
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.  
For you have Jesus Christ everyday of your life.  
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.  
The Lord bless and keep you.  
Happy birthday to you. And to Jesus with you.  
God bless you and keep you. Happy birthday to you.



# **The Messiah Has Come!**



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## Filled with Excitement- UMH 279



Filled with excitement, all the happy throng  
Spread cloaks and branches on the city streets.  
There in the distance they begin to see,  
Riding on a donkey comes the Son of God.  
As in that entrance to Jerusalem  
We sing hosannas to the Christ our King,  
To the living Savior who still calls today,  
Asking us to follow him with love and faith.  
With one great shout of acclamation loud

**Hosanna! Hosanna to the King!**

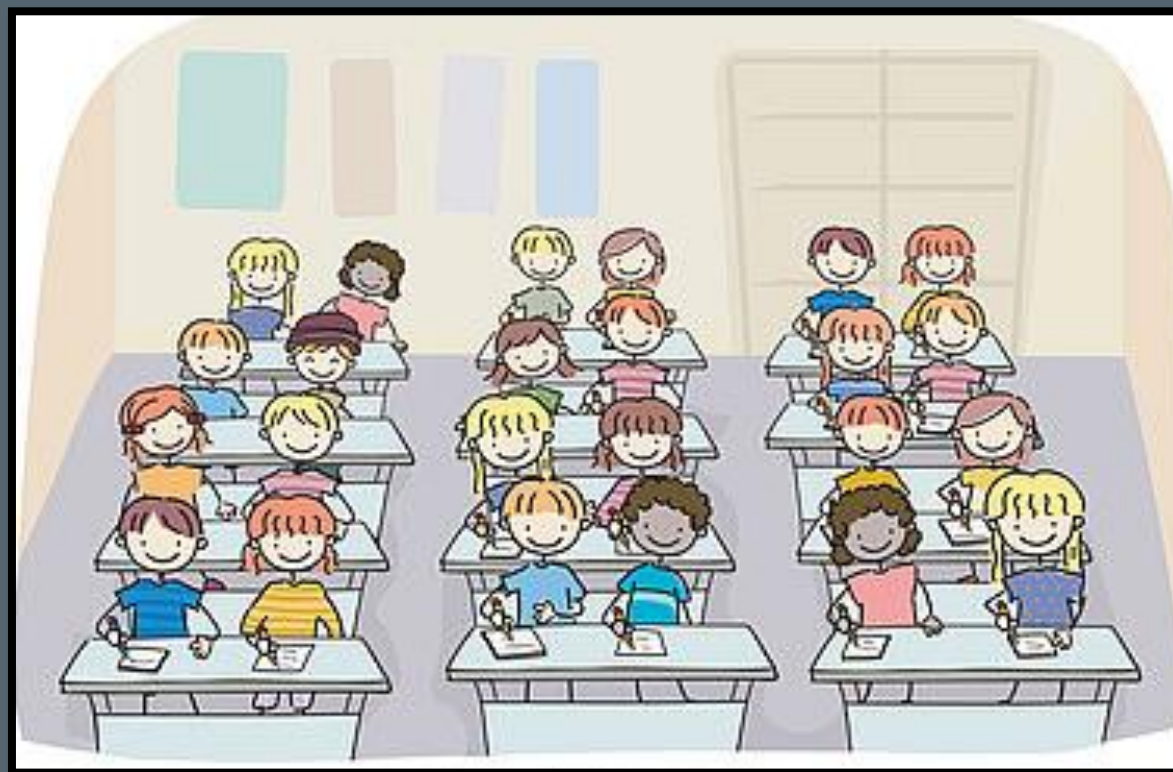


## Opening Prayer

Dear Lord of All Creation,

Joy fills our hearts as we sing hosannas to our living Savior, Your Son! He has come, loving us as we could never imagined being loved. He offers forgiveness as we could never believe possible. He teaches us what You desire, and with rejoicing hearts, we respond, **Hosanna! Hosanna to the King! Amen.**

# Lessons for the Young and Young at Heart







## **Responsive Reading: Psalm 118: (selected verses)**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

**In my anguish I cried to the LORD,  
and he answered by setting me free.**

The LORD is with me. I will not be afraid.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.**



The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine upon us.

**With boughs in hand, join in the festal  
procession up to the horns of the altar.**

You are my God, and I will give you thanks.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.  
His love endures forever.**



# Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!

Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you,

righteous and having salvation,

**gentle and riding on a donkey,**

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.



## Matthew 21: 1-9



As they approached Jerusalem...

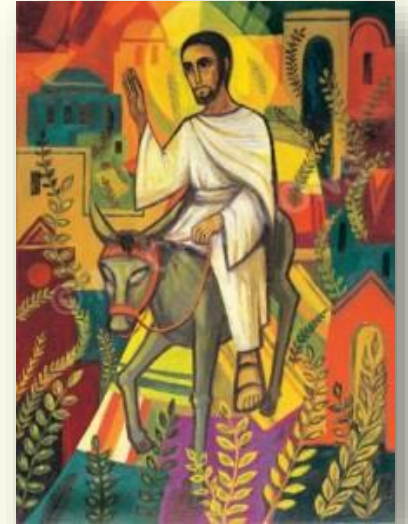
Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them,

"Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me.



"If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to the Daughter of Zion,  
'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'



The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.  
They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks  
on them.





A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.



The crowd that went ahead of him  
and those that followed shouted,  
"Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!"



## Luke 19: 37-40

When Jesus came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:





"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"





Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus,  
*"Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"*



"I tell you," he replied,  
"if they keep quiet, the very stones will cry out."



Kung tatahimik sila, ang mismong mga bato ay sisigaw.

Si callan, hasta las piedras gritarán.


If they keep quiet, the very stones will cry out.

彼らが黙っていれば、石そのものが叫び声をあげるだろう。

그들이 잠잠하면 돌들도 소리지르리라.

S'ils se taisent, les pierres elles-mêmes crieront.





If they keep quiet,  
the very stones will cry out.”

Luke 19: 40

**Have you ever been excited?**

**I mean really, REALLY, excited?**

**I have!**

# 1965 "Ski-Doo" snowmobile





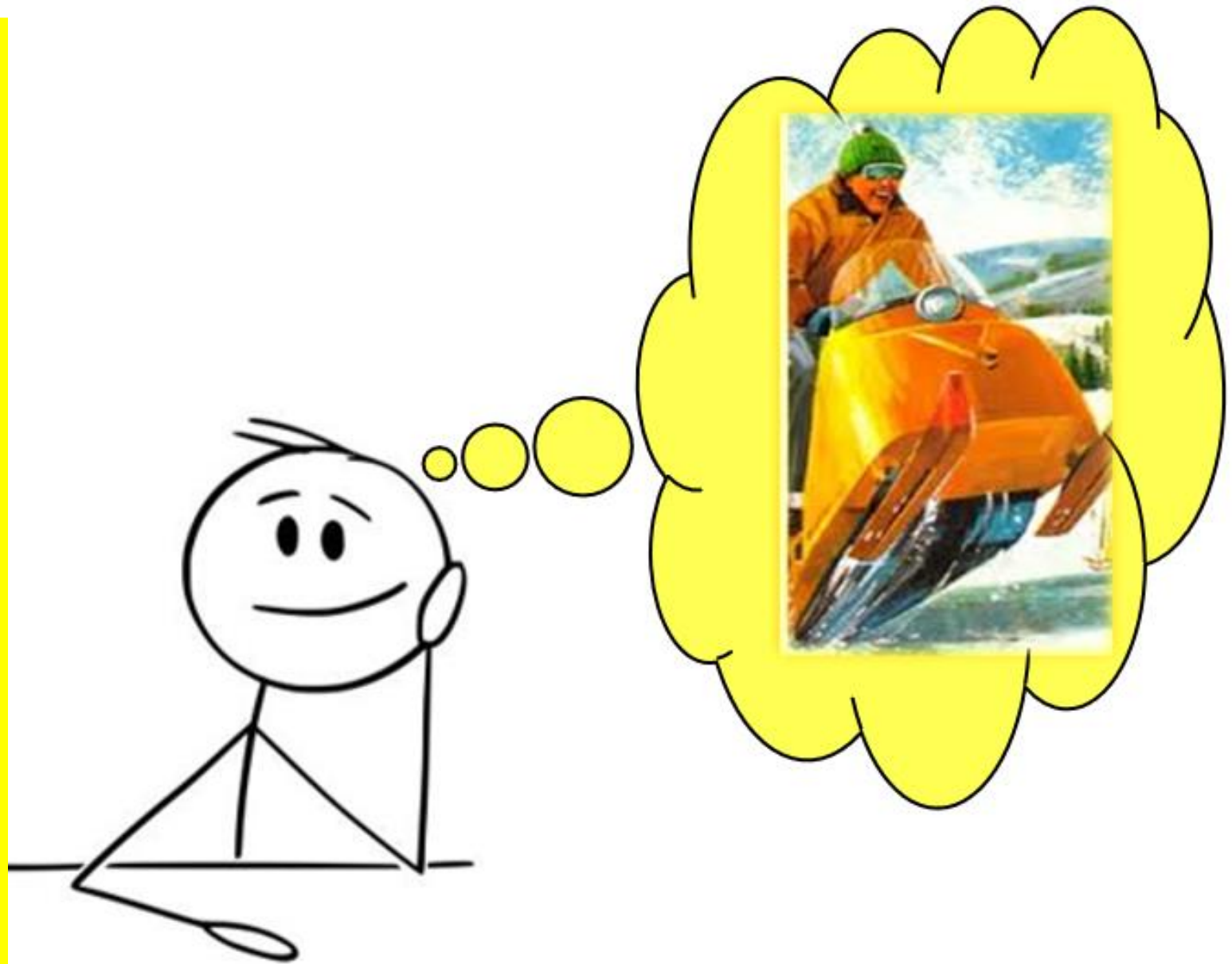
# When the snowmobile arrived...



# The weather outside looked like this.



**But all I  
could  
think  
about  
was  
doing  
this...**

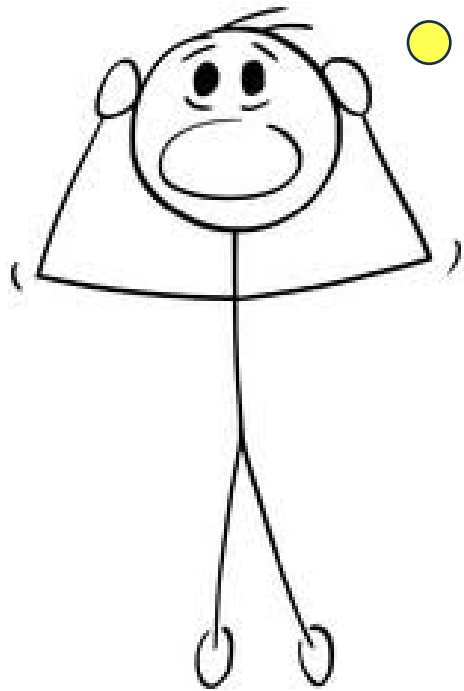


**But... I had to wait until**



**The outside looked like this.**

**But all I  
could  
do was  
wait  
for  
winter  
to  
arrive...**



**It was a LONG wait!**



**Can you imagine the feeling of  
Joy when the day finally arrived?**



**Imagine how the disciples felt  
when Jesus entered Jerusalem...**



**“If they keep quiet,  
the very stones will cry out.”**

**Luke 19: 40**



## Oh How He Loves You and Me - TFWS 2108

Oh, how He loves you and me, Oh how He loves you and me.  
He gave his life, what more could he give?  
Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me;  
Oh, how he loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show.  
What He did there brought hope from despair.  
Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me;  
Oh, how he loves you and me.



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# Community Prayer



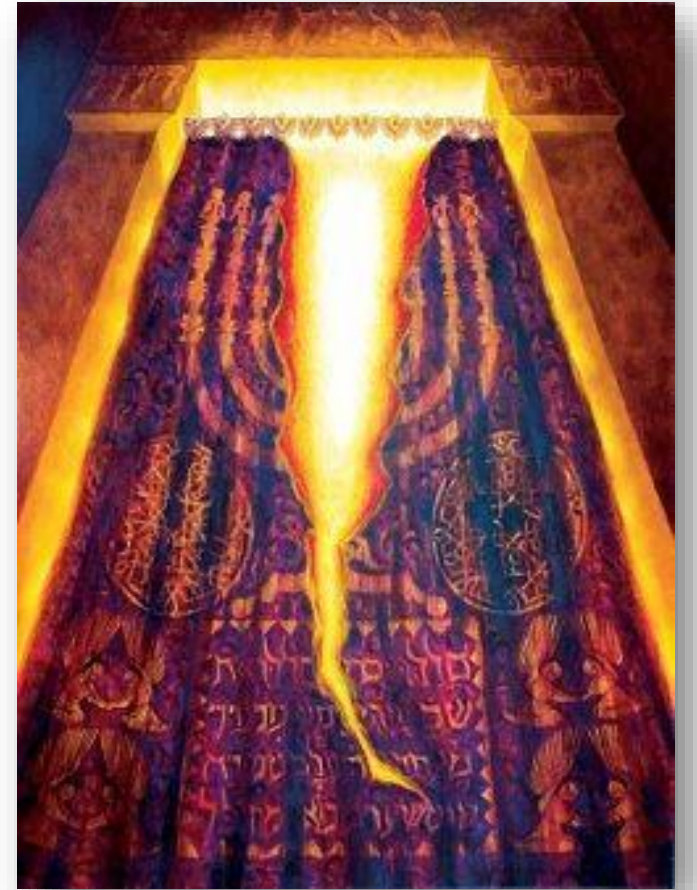
LORD Jesus,

When You entered Jerusalem triumphantly as Messiah,  
there was great joy for all those who worshipped You.

Because You then gave Your life on the cross, every one of us  
can accept God's gift of everlasting life by inviting You into our  
lives and hearts. Each person becomes a new creation at the  
very moment they make that decision, forever changed.



And when the temple veil was torn in two  
when You died, each person with faith can  
now come before God's throne of grace.  
Then we experience God's love and grace  
personally, in a whole new way.  
Truly, all creation rejoices! *Amen*





# Offering and Doxology

## UM Hymnal 95



We give thanks for this wonderful,  
generous community of faith.



# Benediction

*Photo by James Gardner*