

# **Eucharistic Homily**

**Mark 11:1-26**

3/25/18

Palm Sunday

Every Lord's Day, Jesus comes among us as priest, king, and prophet, and the Lord's Supper powerfully demonstrates how Jesus fulfills those offices for us.

When we approach the Lord's Table, we are confessing anew that Jesus is our Passover. He is the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. It is His blood that has turned away God's wrath. We memorialize Christ's death by calling on God to show us His grace because of Jesus' atoning work for us. He is the only mediator between God and man. He Himself is our Great High Priest.

At the Lord's Table we also confess that Christ is indeed our king and sovereign. He is the king who laid down His life for us, and He gives us the new wine of God's kingdom. When we receive the Supper, we are proclaiming our allegiance to King Jesus and are submitting ourselves to His reign. And as we do so, King Jesus pours out His blessings upon us and makes us fit to take dominion of the world under His lordship.

We also see the prophetic ministry of Jesus represented in Holy Communion. He is the one who pronounced the end of the Old Covenant and inaugurated the New Covenant with His own blood. He brought an end to the Temple system and now He is building His church to be a living Temple where He dwells by His Spirit.

If you've been baptized into Christ and are seeking to live faithfully and obediently for Him, you are welcome to this feast that Christ Jesus—our priest, king, and prophet—has prepared for us.

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