Palm Sunday Scripture Reading Matthew 21:1-11

Leader: "When they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives, Jesus then sent two disciples, telling them, "Go into the village ahead of you. At once you will find a donkey tied there with her colt.

Congregation: Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them at once."

L: This took place so that what was spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled:

C: Tell Daughter Zion, "See, your King is coming to you, gentle, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

L: The disciples went and did just as Jesus directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt; then they laid their clothes on them, and he sat on them.

C: A very large crowd spread their clothes on the road; others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them on the road.

L: Then the crowds who went ahead of him and those who followed shouted:

ALL: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

L: When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in an uproar, saying, "Who is this?"

C: The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."