

## LITANY OF CONFESSION

One: God of the foolish cross, tottering down the streets of Jerusalem on a donkey,

**All: You are not the savior we expect.**

One: Your power doesn't look like the power we want our God to demonstrate.

**All: Your wisdom makes no sense to us.**

One: We are happy to join the crowd, waving branches,

**All: But not so sure we want to follow you**

One: into the temple courts

**All: into the upper room**

One: into the Garden of Gethsemane

**All: to the foot of the cross.**

One: Forgive our false assumptions.

**All: Clarify our clouded vision.**

One: Let us relax into the foolishness of your love, your grace.

**All: Hosanna, hosanna. Save us, we beseech you!**

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD An Affirmation of Faith for Palm Sunday

Some shout hosanna

**some shout crucify**

Some shout Jesus

**some shout Barabbas**

Some wave palms

**some shake their fists**

***Today we choose...***

Some break bread

**some break silence**

Some proclaim Jesus

**some deny Jesus**

Some carry the cross

**some run from the cross**

***Today we choose...***

Some are angry

**some rejoice**

Some anoint with costly perfume

**some complain at the waste**

Some like the light

**some prefer the shadows**

***Today we choose...***

Some weep

**some conspire**

Some follow

**some hide**

Some believe

**some betray**

***Today we choose***

To shout for life

**to follow the cross**

To break bread

**to hold belief**

To trust love

**and tell the world**

***We choose to follow Jesus. Amen***