



Sunday of the Passion \ Palm Sunday
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The Son of David Ascends His Throne and Reigns in Love from His Cross

The Son of David comes in gentle humility, “sitting on a donkey’s colt,” yet as the King of Israel “in the name of the Lord” (John 12:13-15). He comes to be lifted up in glory on the cross in order to cast out “the ruler of this world” and draw all people to Himself (John 12:23-32). The Church is thus called to “rejoice greatly,” because her King comes with salvation, and “he shall speak peace to the nations” (Zech. 9:9-10). As He is anointed “beforehand for burial” (Mark 14:8), He also ascends His royal throne as “the King of the Jews” by way of His Passion (Mark 15:2, 17-19, 26). He goes “as it is written of him,” wherefore “you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power” (Mark 14:21, 62). For the glory of God is love, which crescendos in the humble obedience and voluntary self-sacrifice of the Son of God for the salvation of sinners. So, God the Father has “highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9), that He might reign over us in love with the forgiveness of His cross.

Palm Sunday Worship

Children’s Palm Procession – The Sunday School Children will begin our Palm Sunday with a Palm Procession. The congregation will stand to face the Processional Cross, which will lead the procession. During the procession, the congregation will sing “Hosanna It’s Jesus!”

Hosanna It's Jesus!

**Chorus: Hosanna, Hosanna, blessed is He,
Who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna, Hosanna, blessed is He,
Who comes in the name of the Lord!**

- 1 **Son of David, the King of Israel
Our Salvation, it's Jesus! Jesus! (Chorus)**
- 2 **Peace in Heaven and glory to the earth.
Hosanna in the highest! it's Jesus! Jesus! (Chorus)**
- 3 **Rejoice greatly, behold your King has come.
Our Salvation, it's Jesus! Jesus! (Chorus)**

Collect for Palm Sunday

- P** Let us pray.
- P** Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.**

Holy Gospel for Palm Sunday

John 12:12-19

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion,
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written

about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of the Palm Crosses

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P We praise and thank You, O God, for the great acts of love by which You have redeemed us through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day He entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was acclaimed Son of David and King of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in His path.

We ask that You bless these palms and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail Jesus as our Lord and King and follow Him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Distribution of Palm Crosses during the following hymn.

441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Sit

The Days of Holy Week

Monday

Reading

Mark 11:15–19

¹⁵And they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold and those who bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹⁶And he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. ¹⁷And he was teaching them and saying to them, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers." ¹⁸And the chief priests and the scribes heard it and were seeking a way to destroy him, for they feared him, because all the crowd was astonished at his teaching. ¹⁹And when evening came they went out of the city.

Reflection:

430 My Song Is Love Unknown

sts. 1–2

Tuesday

Reading

Mark 11:20–33

²⁰As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. ²¹And Peter remembered and said to him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered." ²²And Jesus answered them, "Have faith in God. ²³Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. ²⁴Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ²⁵And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

²⁷And they came again to Jerusalem. And as he was walking in the temple, the chief priests and the scribes and the elders came to him, ²⁸and they said to him, "By what authority are you doing these things, or who gave you this authority to do them?" ²⁹Jesus said to them, "I will ask you one question; answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I

do these things. ³⁰Was the baptism of John from heaven or from man? Answer me." ³¹And they discussed it with one another, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ³²But shall we say, 'From man?'"—they were afraid of the people, for they all held that John really was a prophet. ³³So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

Reflection:

430 My Song Is Love Unknown

sts. 3–4

Wednesday

Reading

Mark 14:1–11

¹It was now two days before the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him, ²for they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar from the people."

³And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head. ⁴There were some who said to themselves indignantly, "Why was the ointment wasted like that? ⁵For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they scolded her. ⁶But Jesus said, "Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me. ⁸She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burial. ⁹And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."

¹⁰Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

Reflection:**430 My Song Is Love Unknown***sts. 5–7*

Thursday

Reading*John 13:1–11*

¹Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

Reflection:**547 The Lamb***sts. 1–3*

Friday

Reading*Matthew 27:1, 2, 57–61*

¹When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death.

²And they bound him and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate the governor.

⁵⁷When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him.

⁵⁹And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud

⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away. ⁶¹Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

Reflection:**422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image**

Saturday

Reading*Hebrews 4:9*

⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,

Reflection:**547 The Lamb***sts. 4–5***Nicene Creed**

☩ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again

according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

L Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Before Communing: *Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Silent Prayer After Communing: *Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

570 Just as I Am, without One Plea

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

550 Lamb of God

Silent Prayer

Announcements

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The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Micci & Brian Orth
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Adeline Ovalle, Family Blake
Jessica Ovalle



BIRTHDAYS

Nathaniel Conway, 3/26
Genevieve DeJesus, 3/29
Aiden Conway, 3/30
Dakoda Gaut, 3/30

CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARIES

Bill Sommer, 3/25
Ray Zander, 3/25
Michelle Michels, 3/26
Tracy Gribbin, 3/27
Kathy Dejonowski, 3/29
Madelaine Zander, 3/30

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Diane Akers, Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey, Carmen Dampier, Judy Diekleman, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr., Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling, Nathan Lopez, and Robert Wisely.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom, Nathan Conway, Brianna Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth, Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE

Joint Good Friday Tre Ore Service - Several pastors from our neighboring LCMS congregations are coming together for a joint Tre Ore service on Good Friday, March 29th at Noon at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Steger. This is a traditional service focused on the seven last words of Jesus from the cross, and is held at Noon on Good Friday, the time where Christ was crucified for the sins of the world. All are invited to attend and to more deeply meditated on Christ's suffering and death for us and our salvation. The service will conclude at around 1:30—you are welcome to come and go as you please. Handicap accessible entrance and elevator are located on the North East corner of the church.

The LWML Spring Rally will be held at Peace Lutheran located at 540 Oak Park Avenue in Beecher on Saturday, April 6 at 9:00am. The guest speaker will Christena Estby. Christena is a published author. Her books/devotionals/journals can be found on Amazon. She will be talking about where she finds her inspiration and her writing process. She will also lead us in devotion. You will have the opportunity to purchase some of her works at this event. Chistena will be happy to sign books purchased or books you may already have. A continental breakfast will be served. Please plan on joining us for this inspiring morning of fellowship. No RSVP required.



St. Paul Book Club will meet Wednesday April 10 at 10:00 am, to review *The Reunion* by Dan Walsh. We always welcome new members. Book Club is in person and thru FB chat. Please let Deb know in advance so she can link you in.

Christ For You this week on KFUE.org: Blessed Holy Week. Hear a live Maundy Thursday service on 3/28 at 11:30 a.m. CT, hear special Good Friday programming on 3/29 (including a Tre Ore service from 12:00-3:00 p.m. CT), study Isaiah 50-52 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and study Deuteronomy 31-33 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!

Premier Conference for Lutheran Laity... You're invited to attend the 2024 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: 12-Time All-American Swimmer Riley Gaines, Mollie Hemingway of Fox News, Mark Hemingway of RealClear Investigations, Pastor Chris

Rosebrough of "Fighting for the Faith," Aaron Renn of The American Conservative, Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller of "Has American Christianity Failed?," and Pastor Will Weedon of The Word of the Lord Endures Forever. The early bird registration fee is \$140 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

The Triumphal Entry

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"
Luke 19:38 (NIV)



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GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS



March 13th Attendance 23
 March 17th Attendance 28, 20 Communed, 3 Online

Basket	\$195.00	Weekly Missions	\$25.00
Envelopes	807.00	Luth. Church Charity	45.00
General Fund	250.00	Church Maint	40.00
Lenten	292.00	Social Ministry	160.00
Fellowship	111.00		
Budgeted Total	1,655.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$270.00
Offering Needed	1,362.00		
	\$293.00		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday	7:00 pm	Tennebrae Service
Saturday	9:00 am	Easter Setup
Sunday	7:00 am	Easter Worship Service
	8:30 am	Easter Breakfast

SERVANT SCHEDULE

	Sun, Mar 24, 9:30 AM	Sun, Mar 31, 7:00 AM
Pastor	Pastor Buss	Pastor Buss
Usher		Louis Sella
Lay Reader	Norma Allen	

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