



# PALM *Sunday*

March 29, 2026

*“Hosanna!*  
Blessed is He  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord, indeed, the  
*King of Israel!”*

John 12: 13, NASB

# **WELCOME**

Thank you for worshipping with us today.  
Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## **TODAY'S SERVICE**

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Palm Sunday

Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Lila Brown

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

*Philippians 2:5-11*

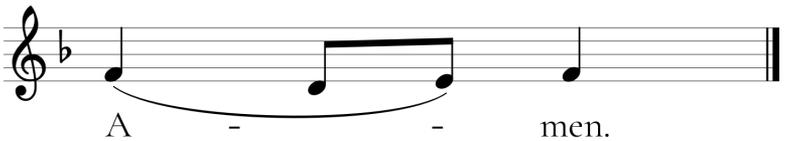
<sup>5</sup> Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, <sup>7</sup> but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #161 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

### INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



### CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is

evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -  
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - - - men.

p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will toward men,  
We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you,  
we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory  
O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; re-cieve our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

*p* The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Let us pray . . . Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

**Isaiah 50:4-9** <sup>4</sup> "The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, That I should know how to speak A word in season to *him who is weary*. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear To hear as the learned. <sup>5</sup> The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn away. <sup>6</sup> I gave My back to those who struck Me, And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting. <sup>7</sup> "For the

Lord GOD will help Me; Therefore I will not be disgraced; Therefore I have set My face like a flint, And I know that I will not be ashamed. <sup>8</sup> *He is near who justifies Me; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near Me.* <sup>9</sup> Surely the Lord GOD will help Me; *Who is he who will condemn Me?*

**John 12:12-19** <sup>12</sup> The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup> took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD! The King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written: <sup>15</sup> "Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey's colt." <sup>16</sup> His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and *that* they had done these things to Him. <sup>17</sup> Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. <sup>18</sup> For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had



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 Son together is worshiped 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.

## **#162 Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty**

# SERMON

**Psalm 118:19-29** <sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, *And* I will praise the LORD. <sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter. <sup>21</sup> I will praise You, For You have answered me, *And* have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup> The stone *which* the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. <sup>23</sup> This was the LORD'S doing; It is marvelous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup> This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it. <sup>25</sup> Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity. <sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD. <sup>27</sup> God is the LORD, *And* He has given us light; Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar. <sup>28</sup> You *are* my God, and I will praise You; *You are* my God, I will exalt You. <sup>29</sup> Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is* good! For His mercy *endures* forever.

## HE COMES

To Open - To Build - To Enter



Create in me a clean heart, O God,



and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.



Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and



take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to



me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -



hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

## **#725 No Tramp Of Soldiers' Marching Feet**

### **Offering Hymn #792**

Let all things now living, a song of thanksgiving,  
To God the Creator triumphantly raise.  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us, His light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into light

### **Prayers, The Lord's Prayer**

all    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.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

p Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



It is good and right so to do.

p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree

would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore,  
 with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we  
 praise your holy name and join their glorious song;

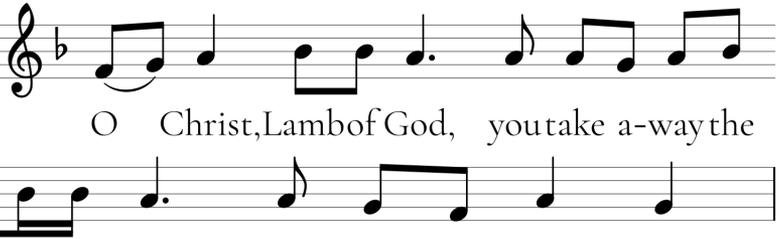
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord  
 God of heav - en - ly hosts; heav'n and earth are full  
 of your glo - ry. Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na  
 in the high - est. bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he,  
 bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take and eat; This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The first staff contains the notes G4, A4, B4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff contains the notes B3, A3, G3, F3, E3, D3, C3. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens under 'mer - cy'.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; grant us your peace. A - men.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

Distribution Hymn #305

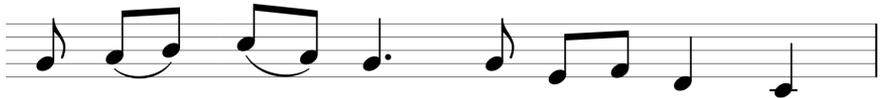
Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace



ac - cord - ing to your word.



For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have



prepared be - fore the face of all people,



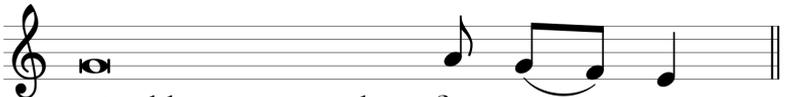
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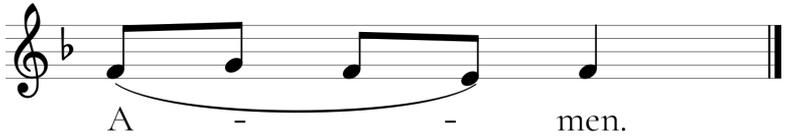
## THANKSGIVING

*p* O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



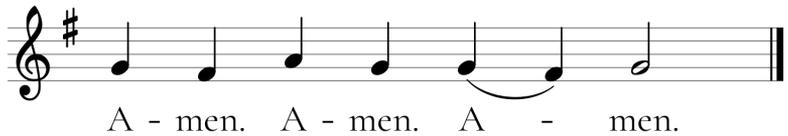
And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have re-  
freshed us with this holy supper. We pray that  
through it you will strengthen our faith in you and  
increase our love for one another. We ask this in the  
name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and  
reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever.



## THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make  
His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The  
Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give  
you peace.



**#160 All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

## SUNDAY, MARCH 29

9 am Communion Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

3:45 pm Confirmation Class

## THURSDAY, APRIL 2

7pm Maundy Thursday, Comm.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 3

1:30 Good Friday Service, Communion

## SUNDAY, APRIL 5

7 am Easter Service, Communion

8 am Breakfast, Egg Hunt

9 am Easter Service, Communion

## FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- 1990

Missions - \$55

Building Fund - \$ 820

Building Fund From March 25-\$ 250

School Fund- \$ 70

Sunday Service - 71

Wednesday Service - 29

No SC or BS

## USHERS FOR MARCH

Russ Brown, Jim Brown, Clay

Bobek, Jim Kok

## USHERS FOR APRIL

Mike Dumke, Paul Eserhut, Andy

Kohn, Parker Kohn

## COUNTER

**This Week Team # 2**

Fred Whitehouse, Gary Quade

**Next Week Team # 3**

Bill Jenkins, Mitch Newton

## EASTER BRUNCH

Signup sheet on bulletin board.

## EASTER LILLIES

Signup sheet on bulletin board

## PORK DINNER

You are invited to the Home Economic pulled pork dinner on Wednesday, April 8 from 5-7pm. A

free-will donation will offset the cost of art supplies for school.

Please RSVP to a staff member to let us know how many will be in your group.

## SNACKS FOR AFTER CHURCH

Heartfelt gratitude to all those who have been bringing snacks for fellowship after church. It is not an easy thing to do but it is appreciated.

If you are able to help in the future there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board.

## CLC CONVENTION

The CLC convention this year is June 25-28 in Eau Claire WI. The Great Lakes delegates conference is in Madison June 1-2. We are looking for two volunteers to go to both as delegates. If you are willing to be considered, please let Pastor or Jared Swyter know.

## VBS

Meeting after church on April 12.

## BUILDING FUND

The building fund currently has about \$10,000. We need \$20,000 to redo the church roof this summer. We also need another \$40,000 within the next few years to redo the school roof.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jer. 31:1-6

Psalms 16

Col. 3:1-4

Matt. 28:1-10

## CALL NEWS

Pastor Michael Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC, has received the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI.

Teacher Noah Ohlmann of Grace Ev. Lutheran School, Valentine, NE, has returned the call to teach grades 3-4 and serve as associate principal at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI.

Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL, has received the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ.

Pastor Jonah Albrecht of Redemption Ev. Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, and Ascension

Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA, has received the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI.

Dr. Daniel Sullivan has accepted the call from the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as a professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI.

Teacher Levi Schaller of Messiah Lutheran School, Hales Corners, WI, has received the call to Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY.

Teacher Lane Fischer of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN, has received the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

## Worksheet - Psalm 118:19-29

Why can Jesus alone open the gates?

What is the difference between the mercy of God and the mercy of men?

Why would builders throw away a stone?

What is Jesus place in our lives?

What were the Jewish people supposed to do four days before the Passover?

How does Jesus enter Jerusalem?



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