

**March 29, 2026**

**9:00 am**



**ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

# Palm Sunday

9:00 am • Sunday, March 29, 2026

Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung.

Words to hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

PRELUDE

*You Servants of God*

Johann Michael Haydn  
RLC Brass

*Sonata in F*

George Philip Telemann  
David Livingston and John Helgen

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

arr. Lloyd Larson  
RLC Brass

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**We will journey with Jesus through praise, with joy on our lips;  
we will travel with Jesus through betrayal and death,  
cradling hope deep in our hearts.**

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,  
for he is the life we long for,  
Christ is the Word who sustains us.

**We wave palm branches in anticipation,  
we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.**

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:  
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

**Hosanna! Hosanna!  
Blessed is the One who brings us  
the kingdom of God.**

Let us lift our palms on high and enter the great procession.

PALM PROCESSION/OPENING HYMN

*All Glory, Laud and Honor*

ELW 344

*Refrain:*

**All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,  
To whom the lips of children make sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. *Refrain***

**The company of angels are praising you on high;  
Creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. *Refrain***

**The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;  
Our prayer and praise and anthems before you we present. *Refrain***

**To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.  
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain***

**Their praises you accepted, accept the praise we bring,  
Great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. *Refrain***

#### PALM SUNDAY BLESSING

We praise you, O God,  
for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.  
Today he entered the holy city in triumph  
and was proclaimed messiah and king  
by those who spread garments and branches along his way.  
Bless these branches and those who carry them.  
Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,  
so that, joined to his death and resurrection,  
we enter into life with you;  
through the same Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.  
**Amen**

STORYTIME *Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day.*

*As storytime ends, children in grades 1st-6th are invited to leave the worship center for RLC Kids time and activities in the Activity Center. They will rejoin families at offering time. Children in Pre-K through Kindergarten are welcomed to go to Room 45A at the beginning of the service and stay for the entirety of the worship service.*

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

ELW 848

**Give to our God immortal praise! Mercy and truth are all his ways.  
Wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.**

**He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and darkness and the grave.  
Wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.**

**Give to the Lord of lords renown; the King of kings with glory crown.  
His mercies ever shall endure when lords and kings are known no more.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

ANTHEM

*Praise the Lord, Let Songs of Joy Break Forth*

G.F. Handel  
Festival Choir

*Praise the Lord! Let songs of joy break forth.  
Sing alleluia, praise his name forevermore.  
Shout, sing, come dance and celebrate.*

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

*Prepare the Royal Highway*

ELW 264 Vs. 1, 4

**Prepare the royal highway; the King of kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story:**

*Refrain:*

**Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!**

**His is no earthly kingdom, it comes from heaven above.  
His rule is peace and freedom and justice, truth, and love.  
So let your praise be sounding for kindness so abounding: *Refrain***

READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble  
and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Marty Wyatt

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

ELW 335

**Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain,  
Free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary's mountain.**

*Refrain:*

**In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever;  
Till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.**

**Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. *Refrain***

**Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day, with its shadows over me. *Refrain***

**Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever,  
Till I reach the golden strand, just beyond the river. *Refrain***

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us share the peace of Christ with those around us. Introduce yourself to someone new.

## OFFERING

*We gather as a people of God, in the presence of God, to offer up our thanks and praise.*

*Offering is one way in which we support and sustain our shared ministry.*

*You may text your gift: Text <amount> to 651-383-1504,*

*or scan the QR code in this bulletin.*

*Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.*



## OFFERING MUSIC

*Sanctus and Osanna in Excelsis*

W.A. Mozart  
Festival Choir

(Sung in Latin)

*Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Domine Deus Sabaoth.*

*Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria.*

*Osanna in excelsis.*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest!*

## PRAYERS

*Prayer response: Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

BLESSING

Passing from joy into sorrow and on to elation, **we come to Christ this holy week.**

Today is only a part of the story. **Jesus' triumph leads to his death, his death to his resurrection.**

May the journey of this week lead you into the fullness of Christ's love.

Go in peace and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

CLOSING HYMN

*There In God's Garden*

ELW 612

*All sing:*

**There in God's garden stands the Tree of wisdom,  
Whose leaves hold forth the healing of the nations:  
Tree of all knowledge, tree of all compassion, tree of all beauty.**

*Higher voices:*

**Its name is Jesus, name that says, 'Our Savior!'  
There on its branches see the scars of suff'ring;  
See there the tendrils of our human selfhood feed on its life-blood.**

*Lower voices:*

**Thorns not its own are tangled in its foliage;  
Our greed has starved it; our despite has choked it.  
Yet look, it lives! Its grief has not destroyed it, nor fire consumed it.**

*All sing:*

**This is my ending, this my resurrection:**

**Into your hands, Lord, I commit my spirit.**

**This have I searched for; now I can possess it. This ground is holy.**

*All sing:*

**All heav'n is singing, "Thanks to Christ whose passion**

**Offers in mercy healing, strength and pardon.**

**People and nations, take it, take it freely!" Amen! My Master!**

POSTLUDE

*Finale No. 7*

Melchior Franck  
RLC Brass

## Participants

Pastor Kent Claussen Gubrud

Pastor Marty Wyatt

Children, Youth & Family: Taylor Mickley, Nick Clark

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### *MUSICIANS:*

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