



**Welcome to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church**

# MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Worship 10:00am

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## As We Gather

*Today we are brought to the threshold of Holy Week. This was the day the Jewish people chose the Passover Lamb. How quickly things can change in a week! On this Palm Sunday, we see Jesus enter Jerusalem with palms, a symbol of victory, strewn in the road and being waved. Yet it was from that entry that Jesus went to show His true love—His passion—by dying on the cross on Friday. That death showed His love for you. By faith, we believe what Jesus did was for us. Everything about us—our sin, our eternal destination—changed that week because Jesus took the road from palms to passion. Receive what Jesus did for you by faith, knowing your home in heaven was paid for with the King's ransom—His own blood.*

## Welcome and Introduction

*All children are invited to gather in the back of the sanctuary to receive a palm branch and participate in the Palm Sunday processional.*

## 442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LSB 442



- 1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
- 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,



Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.  
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.  
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.  
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

## Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Opening Words

Pastor: Hosanna!

**People: Hosanna to the Son of David!**

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

**People: Hosanna in the highest!**

## Confession and Absolution

Pastor: We confess before You, Lord, that we have sinned against You.

**People: We have sinned not only against You but one another, with what we have thought, what we have said, and by what we have or have not done.**

Pastor: We unseat You and put ourselves on the throne that belongs only to You.

**People: Our pride in these and all sins deserves Your punishment, yet today we approach Your throne of grace, asking for Your mercy.**

Pastor: So I ask you now: are you sincere in this, your confession before God, and promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? If so, answer, "Yes, with the help of God."

**People: Yes, with the help of God.**

Pastor: Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday to show His love for you at the cross. At the cross, He showed His passion for you by dying for your sins and paying the price we could not pay. With the empty tomb, He gave us the hope of eternal life with Him. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**



## Hymn of Praise

### 343 Prepare the Royal Highway

LSB 343 sts. 1-2



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!  
2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing; Your own e - ter - nal king!



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!  
Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!



Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:  
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!

*Refrain*



Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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## Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in hand, gathered to greet your Son when he came into the City of David, grant that we may hail him as our King and walk with him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Zechariah 9:9-10*

## Epistle

*Philippians 2:5-11*

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 21:1-11*

## Preschool Singing and Children's Message

## 443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

LSB 443



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,  
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.  
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav' n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,  
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state  
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.  
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.  
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

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## Sermon

### Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

## **Offering**

*Thank you for your continued support of the ministry Mt. Olive Lutheran Church.  
If you are a guest (or if your contact info has changed), please fill out a Connect Card  
found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.*

## **Offering Prayer**

Pastor: Let us pray

**People: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us:  
ourselves, our time, our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our Prayer**

## **Lord's Prayer**

## **Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**



# 441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

LSB 441



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the  
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel  
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and  
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -  
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs  
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and  
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His  
pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.  
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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## Announcements

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Acolyte: Reagan Freeman

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in celebration of all of the preschoolers.

## March Offerings

**Last Sunday: 54**

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# Holy Week at Mt. Olive

## Palm Sunday (March 29<sup>th</sup>)

10:00am - Worship (*Preschool Singing*)

## Maundy Thursday (April 2<sup>nd</sup>)

7:00pm - Worship with Holy Communion

## Good Friday (April 3<sup>rd</sup>)

7:00pm - Tenebrae Service

## Easter Sunday (April 5<sup>th</sup>)

8:30-9:45am - Easter Breakfast

10:00am - Easter Worship

*There will be an Easter egg hunt  
after the Easter Sunday service.*