

# ✠ Palm Sunday & Eve of Palm Sunday ✠

March 28–29, 2026

5:00 P.M., 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M.

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## Silent Prayer Before Worship

Everlasting God and Father, You sent Your Son to take our flesh upon Himself and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that, being inspired by His great humility and following His patient example, we may share in His victorious resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## ✠ Divine Service – Setting One ✠

*Lutheran Service Book (LSB), p. 151*

### Prelude

*(8:00, 11:00)* Choral Introit

“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Gates”

*Andreas Hammerschmidt*

Lift up your heads, ye gates, and be lifted up eternal doors, that the King of Glory may enter. Who is this marvelous King of Glory? He is the Lord, strong and mighty in battle. Hosanna in the highest.

*Psalm 24:7-10*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Greeting

**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** Hosanna in the highest.

### Collect

**P** Let us pray.

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

John 12:12–19

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry 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.

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** Hosanna to the Son of David.

**P** Let us go forth in peace.

**C** In the name of the Lord.

## Processional Hymn

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” LSB 442

*Children may process down the center aisle, waving palm branches, and return to their pew down the side aisles. Parents may accompany children as needed and all are invited to take a palm branch.*

## Acclamation

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** Hosanna in the highest.

## Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19–23*
- C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also 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.
- C** **Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 50:4–9a*

The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning He awakens; He awakens My ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened My ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. I gave My back to those who strike, and My cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not My face from disgrace and spitting.

But the Lord GOD helps Me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. He who vindicates Me is near. Who will contend with Me? Let us stand up together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near to Me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps Me; who will declare Me guilty?

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

(8:00, 11:00) **Choral Gradual**

**“O Bone Jesu”**

*Marco Antonio Ingegneri*

O bone Jesu! Miserere nobis: quia tu creasti nos, tu redemisti nos sanguine tuo pretiosissimo.

*O good Jesus! Have mercy on us: You created us, You redeemed us by Your most precious blood.*

*Holy Week Responsory*

**Epistle**

*Philippians 2:5–11*

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Nicene Creed**

*LSB, p. 191*

**C** 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 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  $\ddagger$  of the world to come. Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” *LSB* 443**

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Sermon**

**“Hosanna”**

## Prayer of the Church

- ✠ Thanksgiving for the 18<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of James and Becky Blake (April 5).
- ✠ Thanksgiving for the birth of Addison Charlie Zink, daughter of Kelsey & Dave Zink, granddaughter of Jay Parker (Feb. 25).

(8:00, 11:00) **Offering Anthem**

**“Kyrie Eleison”**

*Harold Darke*

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

*Mark 10:47*

**Offertory**

**“Create in Me”** LSB 956

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Text and tune: Public domain

(11:00) **Sermon**

**“Hosanna”**

## Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

*LSB, p. 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

### Proper Preface for Holy Week

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus – “Holy, Holy, Holy”

*LSB, p. 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

### Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**P** 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

*LSB, p. 162*

### Pax Domini – “Peace of the Lord”

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### Agnus Dei – “Lamb of God”

*LSB, p. 163*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution Hymns

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth” *LSB* 438

“No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet” *LSB* 444

“Nunc Dimittis” *LSB*, p. 165



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## Dismissal

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**C** Amen.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

Closing Hymn

**“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”** *LSB 441*

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher

**Pastor Schudde**

Presiding Minister

*(8:00)* **Pastor Wade**

Assisting Seminarian

*(11:00)* **Rev. Dr. Gerhard Bode**

*(5:00)* **William Jackson**

*(8:00)* **Noah Bauer**

*(9:30)* **Micah Cumming**

*(11:00)* **Jacob Diercks**

Choir

**St. Paul’s Intergenerational Choir**

Organist

**Kantor Gerhardt**



## Special Services

The following services will be offered during Holy Week and Easter:

**St. John Passion Vespers with the American Kantorei (March 31) – 7:30pm**

**Maundy Thursday\* (April 2) – 11:00am, 7:00pm**

**Good Friday (April 3) – 12:05pm – 12:50pm (lunch hour service), 5:00pm, 7:00pm (Tenebrae)**

**April 4 (No Saturday service)**

**Easter\* (April 5) – 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am (sanctuary); 9:30am (Living Stone)**

There will be no Sunday School or Bible Class on Easter Sunday.

\*The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at all Maundy Thursday and Easter services.

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