Palm Sunday___

Undefeated Because Our King Has Come



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As Christians united in common faith, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to nurture believers and bring the lost to faith in Jesus through God's Holy Word and Sacraments.

Welcome!

- All worshipers are asked to sign the Fellowship Cards during the offering. These are located in the card holders in the pew.
- Restrooms are in the church basement located just at the bottom of the front stairs. Changing tables are available to parents.
- An elevator is available on the north side of the church entrance.
- The basement is available to parents needing to guiet small children. The area is equipped with closed circuit TV.
- Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.
- Hearing assistance devices are also available from the ushers.
- Help yourself to printed copies of the sermon located in the racks on the back pews.
- Out of respect for all who worship today, please silence all electronic devices.
- Children's Quiet Bags can be found on the coat rack in the entry way. Please return them to the basket after the service.

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Palm Sunday presents oxymoronic contracts. Jesus Comes as King but a lowly King who rides a donkey. Jesus presents himself as the promised Messiah only so that he can be rejected and die for us.

HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor - CW 131

INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven you all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: A Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

Your Word, O Lord is eternal;

it stands firm in the heavens.

Your faithfulness continues forever.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9, 10

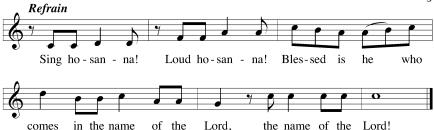
The prophecy of the humble King

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 24

We welcome our King





The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it, the world, and all who <u>live</u> in it; for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the <u>wa</u>ters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

Refrain



Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you <u>an</u>cient doors, that the King of glory <u>may</u> come in.

Who is this King of <u>glory</u>?

The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you <u>an</u>cient doors, that the King of glory <u>may</u> come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?

The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

The humiliation and exaltation of Jesus

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE OF THE DAY (John 12:23)

C: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

GOSPEL & SERMON TEXT

Matthew 21:1-11

The Palm Sunday procession

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." ⁴ This took

place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

C: \$\int Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty – CW 132

SERMON

Pastor Kenneth Frey

Your King Comes to You

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven.

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.



P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A Amen.

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

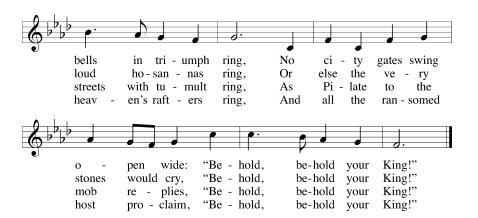
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: \$\mathcal{I}\$ Amen. Amen.





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Worship Notes

Presiding Minister: Kenneth Frey

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In an age of anxiety we still believe that peace comes from Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

In an age of confusion we still believe that the Bible is the word of God, inerrant and infallible.

In an age of doubt we still believe that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

In an age of guilt we still believe that Jesus died on the cross to pay for the sins of the world, bringing complete pardon and joy to all believers.

In an age of reason we still believe that God is at work in the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.

In an age of change we still believe in one unchanging God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Whether you are a first time visitor or returning guest, we are delighted to share our worship with you. Please come back and worship with us again.



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