



✠ IN THE NAME OF JESUS ✠

SONG SET *Michael Amidei, Infinite Grace Team*

Please refer to the screens for the song lyrics.

Hosanna
A Mighty Fortress

PALM PROCESSION

*As the second song is played,
the children march in behind the cross, waving palm branches*

ANTHEMS Hosanna (In the Name); The Creed *Sunday School students*

INVOCATION *Pastor Ben Oesch* *Matthew 28:19b*

Pastor (P): We call on the name of the Triune God—the name into which we have been baptized: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation (C): Amen!

THE PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL ACCOUNT John 12:12-19

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!” Jesus’ 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 Jesus 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 Jesus 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.”

CONFESSION OF SIN AND FORGIVENESS

SONG I Surrender

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 50:4-9a *Travis Jarvi, Lector*

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?

EPISTLE READING 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.

GUESTS AND MEMBERS CONNECT

*Please fill out the Connect Card, either by hand or with the QR code.
You may also add prayer requests to your information. Thank you!*



CHILDREN’S CHAT *Sam Scheck*

Children’s Bulletins are available on the entrance table.

OFFERING AND PRAYER *for giving options: ShepherdHillsChurch.org/Give*

SONG Lead Me to the Cross

MESSAGE “Hosannas and Humility” text: Philippians 2:5-11
*The King, welcomed with hosannas,
enters Jerusalem in humility on His way to the cross.*

Palm trees are abundant in Israel and have been mentioned numerous times in the Bible in connection with significant events. Deborah, one of Israel’s judges, held court under the shade of palm branches (Judges 4:5). Solomon carved the walls of the temple with figures of palm trees, cherubim, and open flowers (1 Kings 6:29).

After God delivered the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the palm tree and its branches became an important symbol of victory for Israel. The Lord commanded that they hold a feast to commemorate this.

From then on, the Israelites observed the Feast of Tabernacles, or Succoth, a 7-day festival, where the Israelites built and lived in booths made of palm branches, leafy tree boughs, and willows (Leviticus 23:40–43).

A palm branch represents victory, joy, and peace. Palm branches were waved when a conquering king entered a city in triumph. When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the people celebrated by waving palm branches. Jesus was their king, their hero. The Hebrew word for an unopened date palm branch is “lulav.” Lu = to or unto Lav = heart Thus, waving the lulav, or date palm branch, meant: “We give to you our hearts.”

STATEMENT OF FAITH ~ THE NICENE CREED

ALL: 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 ☩ of the world to come. Amen!

PRAYERS

In our March prayers, we Pray with an Open Heart for pre-believers.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4

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!

HOLY COMMUNION: PREPARATION

Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. *1Corinthians 11:28-29*

Since those who take Christ's body and blood without understanding His true presence do so to their harm, and since the sacrament of Holy Communion is a faith statement confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or hold a confession differing from that of this church and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and wish to receive the sacrament are asked first to speak with Pastor.

DISTRIBUTION

*You will be ushered forward for Communion.

*If you are not communing but wish to come up and receive a blessing, you may keep your hands folded.

*You may request wine without alcohol and/or a gluten-free wafer.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Revelation Song

I Am The Bread of Life

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSION* NARRATIVE ~ THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

To follow along as the Passion Narrative is read, please see the insert.

**Christ's Passion: the time of suffering from His entry into Jerusalem to His death on the cross. Holy Week is also called Passion Week.*



GOD'S WORD OF BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

In this Divine Service, by the gift of faith, the Holy Spirit has opened our hearts and minds to receive His graces. We now leave this house of worship to share HISTORY!

SENDING SONG Jesus Remember Me

☩ TO GOD ALONE ALL GLORY! ☩

Nails, spear shall pierce Him through—
the cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh—
The Christ,
the son of Mary.

Holy Week

Icon	Event	Date	Time
Palm	Palm Sunday	March 29	8 & 10:45a
Cup	Maundy Thursday	April 2	7p - Lord's Supper
Crucifix	Good Friday	April 3	Tre-Ore Noon-3p Tenebrae 7p
Egg	Easter Worship	April 5	6:30a - Easter Sunrise 8a 10:45a

**LORD, LAY SOME SOUL UPON MY HEART AND LOVE THAT SOUL THROUGH ME:
AND MAY I GLADLY DO MY PART TO WIN THAT SOUL FOR THEE. AMEN!**

CONNECT CARDS Guests and members, please:

- ◆ fill out a Connect card, or
- ◆ scan the QR code to connect with us online

Cards are on clipboards at the end of a row. These methods include a space to share prayer requests with our pastors.

We look forward to praying for and connecting personally with YOU!



THE PASSION NARRATIVE FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW 26 & 27

- P: Then those who had seized Jesus led Him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. And Peter was following Him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end. Now the chief priests and the whole Council [Sanhedrin] were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put Him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.'" And the high priest stood up and said, "Have You no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against You?" But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to Him, "I adjure You by the living God, tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need? You have now heard His blasphemy. What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spit in His face and struck Him. And some slapped Him, saying, "Prophecy to us, You Christ! Who is it that struck You?" Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before them all, saying,
- C: "I do not know what you mean."**
- P: And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." And again he denied it with an oath:
- C: "I do not know the man."**
- P: After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear,
- C: "I do not know the man."**
- P: And immediately the rooster crowed. And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly. When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death. And they bound Him and led Him away and delivered Him over to Pilate the governor. Then when Judas, His betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders, saying,
- C: "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."**
- P: They said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is blood money." So they took counsel and bought with them the potter's field as a burial place for strangers. Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." But when He was accused by the chief priests and elders, He gave no answer. Then Pilate said to Him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against You?" But Jesus gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly

amazed. Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered Jesus up. Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, Pilate's wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of Him today in a dream." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said,

C: "We want Barabbas."

P: Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said,

C: "Let Him be crucified!"

P: And he said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they shouted all the more,

C: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!"

P: So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." And all the people answered,

C: "His blood be on us and on our children!"

P: Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered Him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before Him. And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on His head and put a reed in His right hand. And kneeling before Him, they mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they spit on Him and took the reed and struck Him on the head. And when they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the robe and put His own clothes on Him. And they led Jesus away to crucify Him.

P: These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name. (*John 20:31*)

C: Praise to You, O Christ! Hosanna—save us, Lord!

There's nothing "lent" in Lent

They borrowed a bed to lay His head when Christ, the Lord, came down.

They borrowed an ass in the mountain pass for Him to ride to town.

But the crown that He wore and the cross that He bore—they were His very own.

He borrowed a room on the way to the tomb, the Passover lamb to eat.

They borrowed the cave for Him, a grave;

They borrowed the winding sheet.

But the crown that He wore and the cross that He bore—they were His very own.

The thorns on His head were worn in my stead.

For me the Savior died

For the guilt of my sin the nail drove in when Him they crucified.

Though the crown alone and the cross were His own, by right they were mine instead.

For me He died and was crucified;

For me it was that He bled.

~Rev. Lawrence Gallman, father of Shepherd member Judy Hillman