

St. Peter Lutheran Church

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

April 5, 2020

GATHERING MUSIC

O Praise Him - David Crowder Band

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* PROCESSION

L Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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

L Let us pray.

**Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**



PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying 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. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ⁵“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.”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The 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!”

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” ¹¹The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

Thanksgiving

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

L We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.

We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Procession

L Let us go forth in peace, **C in the name of the Lord.**

L Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **C Hosanna in the highest.**

*** PROCESSIONAL SONG** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

All glo-ry, laud, and hon-or To you, re-deem-er, king,
To whom the lips of chil-dren Made sweet ho-san-nas ring.



You are the king of Is-real And Da-vid's roy-al Son,
Now in the Lord's name com-ing, Our King and Bless-ed One. **Refrain**

The mul-ti-tude of pil-grims With palms be-fore you went.
Our praise and prayer and an-thems Be-fore you we pre-sent. **Refrain**

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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

L Let Us Pray

C Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah chapter 50

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—

wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16 please read responsively

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²**I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, “You are my God.**

¹⁵My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶**Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your loving kindness save me.”**

GOSPEL READING: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

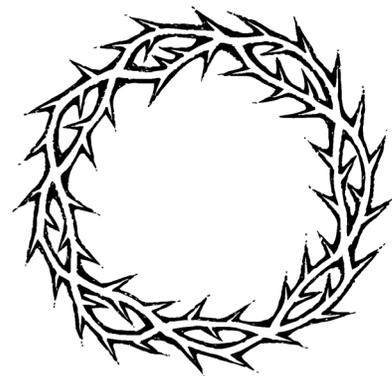
⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.



CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Melanie Corn

MESSAGE

Pastor Dave Tholstrup

*** SONG *Beneath The Cross Of Jesus***

Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand; The shadow of a mighty rock Within a weary land,
A home within a wilderness, A rest upon the way, From the burning of the noontide heat And burdens of the
day

Upon the cross of Jesus, My eye at times can see, The very dying form of one Who suffered there for me.
And from my contrite heart, with tears Two wonders I confess: The wonder of his glorious love and my
unworthiness.

I take, O cross, your shadow For my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss, My sinful self my only shame, My glory all, the cross.

*** RESPONSE TO THE WORD: Creed and Confession**

L In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**C We believe in him and are marked with the seal
of the promised Holy Spirit. Ephesians 1:13-14**

L Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

L God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.
Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

L Gracious God, **C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins,**

known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

L The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. **Amen**

*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of mercy, awaken your church to new proclamations of your faithfulness. By your Spirit, give us bold and joyful words to speak, that we sustain the weary with the message of your redemption. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, quiet the earth where it trembles and shakes. Protect vulnerable ecosystems, threatened habitats, and endangered species. Prosper the work of scientists, engineers, and researchers who find ways to restore creation to health and wholeness.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, drive away fear and anger that cause us to turn against one another. Give courage to leaders who seek liberation for the oppressed. Bring peace and hope to those who are in prison and those who face execution. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, send your saving help to all who suffer abuse, insult, discrimination, or contempt. Heal the wounded. Comfort the dying. Bring peace to those suffering chronic or terminal illness. Especially we pray for all those who have the Coronavirus or have suffered from its effects. Tend to all who cry out for relief. Protect all who care for those with the disease. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, we pray for all who will prepare and lead worship in this Holy Week. In all things, show us the ways that you call us to die to self, to live for you, and to give of ourselves for the sake of others. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, when we breathe our last, you raise us to eternal life. With all your witnesses in heaven and on earth, let us boldly confess the name of Jesus Christ, our resurrection and our hope. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*** PEACE**

L Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

PIANO OFFERING Piano Offertory *Pie Jesu*

*** COMMUNION PREPARATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

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

COMMUNION AFTER SERVICE IN CHURCH PARKING LOT

*** BLESSING**

L Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

*** SENDING SONG *Walk By Faith* - Jeremy Camp**

***DISMISSAL**

L Go in peace. Remember the Cross. C Thanks be to God.

*** Whether you stand or sit your presence is appreciated**