

April 14, 2019

Palm/Passion Sunday
Sacrament of Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

As We Prepare for Worship

The one time god created itself in our image
we didn't like it:
too messy, too common.
Bones, and a great deal of blood.
Not the sort of deliverer anyone wanted.

– Mary F.C. Pratt, excerpt from “The People of Laish”

Prelude

“Thine Be the Glory”
Heritage Brass

Handel

***Gathering Words** *Matthew 21:8-11 (CEB)*

Now a large crowd spread their clothes on the road. Others cut palm branches off the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds in front of him and behind him shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

And when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up. “Who is this?” they asked. The crowds answered,

“It's the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

***Gathering Song #197** “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Call to Prayer *Matthew 21:12-13 (CEB)*

After Jesus entered Jerusalem, he went into the temple and threw out all those who were selling and buying there. He pushed over the tables used for currency exchange and the chairs of those who sold doves.

He said to them, “It’s written, *My house will be called a house of prayer*. But you’ve made it a hideout for crooks.”

This place is not a hideout for crooks, but we do hide our sins from ourselves and God. Let us make this place a house of prayer as we bring our adoration and confession to God.

Our Prayer of Seeking – *with Psalm 25:4-11 (CEB)*

Make your ways known to us, LORD; teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth – teach it to us – because you are the God who saves us.

We put our hope in you all day long.

LORD, remember your compassion and faithful love – they are forever!

But don’t remember the sins of my youth or my wrongdoing. Remember me only according to your faithful love for the sake of your goodness, LORD.

Jesus, Light of the World, we praise your light but don’t want it to shine too brightly on us. We prefer to stand out of the glare where our souls might be laid bare.

We want the comfort of shadows to hide that which we don’t want to see.

But we do not remain hidden from you. You see the good and evil within us. You invite us to come near.

You invite us to come out of the darkness and into the light.

As a sign of our confession, we extinguish the candle of darkness, which keeps us from living in your true light. May we discard the shadows that house our hypocrisy and fear and choose to live in the light.

silent confession

The LORD is good and does the right thing, teaching sinners which way they should go.

God guides the weak to justice, teaching them the right way.

All the LORD's paths are loving and faithful for those who keep his covenant and laws.

Please, for the sake of your good name, LORD, forgive our sins, which are many! Amen.

Words of Assurance *John 15:9 (NRSV)*

Jesus says to us, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love."

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Our Response #59 "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

Anthem

"Lift High the Palms"

Martin

God's Word Comes Alive

Prayer for Illumination *Genesis 1:3-4*

God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

Holy Spirit, separate the light from the darkness as your Word is proclaimed. May your wisdom be light for us so that our thoughts and actions may be declared good. Amen.

A Reading from the Gospels Luke 11:33-36 (NRSV)

³³ “No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar, but on the lampstand so that those who enter may see the light. ³⁴ Your eye is the lamp of your body. If your eye is healthy, your whole body is full of light; but if it is not healthy, your body is full of darkness. ³⁵ Therefore consider whether the light in you is not darkness. ³⁶ If then your whole body is full of light, with no part of it in darkness, it will be as full of light as when a lamp gives you light with its rays.”

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the Gospels Luke 6:6-11 (CEB)

⁶ On another Sabbath, Jesus entered a synagogue to teach. A man was there whose right hand was withered. ⁷ The legal experts and the Pharisees were watching him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath. They were looking for a reason to bring charges against him. ⁸ Jesus knew their thoughts, so he said to the man with the withered hand, “Get up and stand in front of everyone.” He got up and stood there. ⁹ Jesus said to the legal experts and Pharisees, “Here’s a question for you: Is it legal on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?” ¹⁰ Looking around at them all, he said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” So he did and his hand was made healthy. ¹¹ They were furious and began talking with each other about what to do to Jesus.

Message

“Where There Is Darkness...Light”

Rev. Michelle Henrichs

**God Is Made Known to Us
Through the Breaking of Bread**

Communion

Welcome

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Please use whichever words are most familiar to you.

Invitation

Sharing in the Cup and Loaf

We will be celebrating the Sacrament by intinction. All who desire to be fed by Jesus are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. There are no requirements of membership. The elements are gluten- and alcohol-free.

Prayer after Communion

Our Shared Life

Welcome, members, guests and residents of Tudor Oaks! We hope you will join us again soon. If you are a first-time visitor, we invite you to sign one of the Fellowship Folders located at the back of the sanctuary. Please read the announcements in the bulletin and use the microphone to share any announcements you may have.

Minute for Mission

God's Gifts Are Recognized with Thanks

Call to Offering

Just as we brought our "Hosannas" to Jesus with praise, so let us also bring our offerings.

Offertory

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"
Heritage Brass

Teschner

***Doxology #612** "We Praise You, O God" *verse 1 only*

***Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

We do not simply wave palms or lay our coats on the ground to welcome you, Jesus. Instead, we bring our lives and offerings for your use. May they bear your words of life to those in need. Amen.

***Sending Song #215** “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Benediction

The Peace Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.

Hidden within the jubilation of Palm Sunday is the beginning of Christ’s passion. As we end this service, we make the turn toward despair.

Postlude “What Wondrous Love Is This” American Folk Hymn
Heritage Brass

Today and This Week at Heritage
Palm/Passion Sunday
Sacrament of Holy Communion

- 9:20 a.m. Choir rehearsal/Brass rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Worship: Rev. Michelle Henrichs
Liturgist: Glenn Kozicki
11:00 a.m. Fellowship time
11:15 a.m. Wired Word (Private Dining Room)

Tuesday

- 1:00 p.m. NO Pastor's Bible Study (third Tuesday)

Thursday

- 5:00 p.m. Seder supper at Forest Park Church
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship at Forest Park Church

Please see announcement for Good Friday on page 10 of the bulletin.

Next Sunday, April 21 at Heritage
Easter Sunday
Sacrament of Holy Communion

- 10:00 a.m. Worship: Rev. Michelle Henrichs
Liturgist: Judi Fellows
11:00 a.m. Fellowship time Sweet Easter Treats provided
by Glenn & Gigi Sheridan
NO Wired Word

A Visit with the Pastor

Pastor Michelle is in the office on Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 – 4:30. If you would like a visit with Pastor Michelle at another time, please contact her at 262-488-5100 or mahenrichs@gmail.com. You may also leave a message with the church office at 414-425-2050.

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Each week, we remember two families in prayer. We thank God for them, ask God's blessing upon them and God's presence with them. Please keep these highlighted families and the other listed people and places in your personal prayers throughout the week.

Highlighted Families: Bill & Sue Osborne
 Elizabeth and Andrew
 Harold & Karen Anderson

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Albany Presbytery, NY
 The people of Spain

Praying for the Persecuted Church: Qatar

Birthdays: April 14 Jacob Fellows
 April 15 Erin Hittle

In Our Prayers

Joy that Dale Pffor's surgery went well and he is recovering normally.

Continued prayers for Jean Ripple's health.

Judi Fellow's friend Clyde (wife Pat) fell and is in the hospital. He was just recently discharged after a long illness.

Thanksgiving for last Sunday's music. Connie Fellows is feeling especially close to her grandma and dad. They would have been so proud to see their children and grandchildren providing the music for yesterday's service.

The Ahrens' neighbor Mari suffers from mental illness and her Mom Karen sometimes has difficulty caring for her.

Evie Hittle broke her leg last November. Although it is healing well, she is a little over eager to walk on it and has been falling,

delaying her healing. Her recent diagnosis of ADHD makes it even more difficult to take it easy.

Michael Breitbart's friend Cindy is in stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Prayers of encouragement as she receives treatment.

Roxanne Lawrence's friend Diane had a stroke about a month ago and there has been very little improvement in her paralysis. She is discouraged and depressed and not eating.

Prayers of comfort for the family and friends of Tudor Oaks resident Ralph Lehm who passed away last Friday.

Our on-going prayer list:

Karen Anderson, Roxanne Lawrence, Jean Ripple, Gerry Kohl, Pat Zebrick, and Jane Arloszynski's brother Earl Duckwall.

Announcements

In case a Tudor Oaks resident needs assistance, please notify the Nursing Station in the Health Center or the Front Desk or call 1-414-529-0100.

The Wired Word Update

The Wired Word will meet today in the Private Dining Room following worship. All are welcome.

Pastor's Bible Study Update

The Bible Study group meets at 1:00 p.m. in the Poplar Lifestyle Room every Tuesday of the month except the third Tuesday. Join us as we reflect on the texts for the following Sunday. For more information, please contact Pastor Michelle at mahenrichs@gmail.com.

Date Change for Book Study

The date for our book study on Jodi Picoult's *A Spark of Light* has been changed to May 19 following worship.

Declaring Open Season for Furniture/Home Goods Donations

The Mission Council is collecting items for Project Home Divine Intervention and a Refugee Community. If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Glenn Kozicki at 414-313-3311 or gpkozicki@yahoo.com to arrange for a pickup. We are in the midst of preparing for 3 deliveries. and here are items we are looking for:

Beds, frames and bedding
Microwaves, kitchen tables/chairs
Couches, love seats, fabric chairs
Lamps - floor and table
End tables, coffee tables and nightstands
Silverware, dishes

This is a very active ministry. Many thanks to all who have contributed items and/or found leads through friends of Heritage. We have provided over 75% of all items in the 40 deliveries over the past 2 years to help make a new dwelling into a home.

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Forest Park Church is hosting a Maundy Thursday Seder meal, followed by a Fab 4 worship service with a joint choir. The meal begins at 5 p.m., with worship following at 7 p.m. Reservations are requested for the Seder. Please let Janet Ahrens know if you are planning to attend.

Good Friday, April 19

Forest Park's sanctuary will be open from noon until 3:00 p.m. on Good Friday for anyone seeking a quiet space to pray and meditate.

In addition, Good Friday services will be held at:
Tudor Oaks, 10:00 a.m. with Chaplain Michelle Peterson. Please meet by the front entrance at 10:00 and join a procession into the Olive Wood Theater for worship.

Bethel Lutheran Church, 5:00 p.m. Tenebrae service with Pastor Maren Hooper (S77 W18426 Janesville Road, Muskego, WI 53150)

Take-Down Help Needed Today

There is a Tudor Oaks event happening in the Olive Wood Theater immediately following worship today. Any help taking down worship pieces and returning the room to its original set-up would be greatly appreciated.