# The Lutheran Church of the Savior

**A Community of Faith:** Centered in Christ – Called to Serve



Order of Worship

April 10, 2022 10:45 AM

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#### As We Gather

Today is Palm Sunday, the day when the Church on earth remembers the triumphal entry of our Savior into Jerusalem. On that day the crowds cried out their praises and welcome of Jesus. Palm branches were cut and laid before Him in adoration of His coming. We echo that theme in worship this morning. But we also remember that the cries of praise soon turned to cries for Jesus' condemnation. Palm Sunday merges into Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, and such will also be reflected in our worship today.

# Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- · who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- · who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.

Thank you.

# Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

### 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.
- Amen.
- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **G** Hosanna to the Son of David.

#### **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.

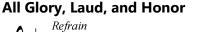
Holy Gospel John 12:12–19

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

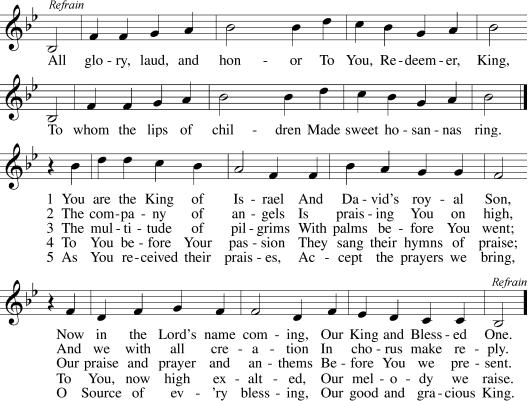
<sup>12</sup>The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup>And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

15"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup>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.
- Praise to You, O Christ.
- P Let us go forth in peace,
- In the name of the Lord.



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### Greeting

- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **C** Hosanna in the highest.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

# Service of the Word

**Psalm** *Psalm* 118:19–26

- P Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

- I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- Save us, we pray, O LORD!
  O LORD, we pray, give us success!
- Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**Youth Choir** Blessed Is He Allen & Allen

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C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

# **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

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

### **Old Testament Reading**

36The LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free.
37Then he will say, "Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge,
38who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering?
Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection!
39"See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me;
I kill and I make alive;
I wound and I heal;
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** Philippians 2:5–11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Luke 22:1–13

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-second chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. <sup>2</sup>And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

<sup>3</sup>Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. <sup>4</sup>He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. <sup>5</sup>And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. <sup>6</sup>So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

<sup>7</sup>Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." <sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" <sup>10</sup>He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters <sup>11</sup>and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>12</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." <sup>13</sup>And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed LSB 207

**■** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

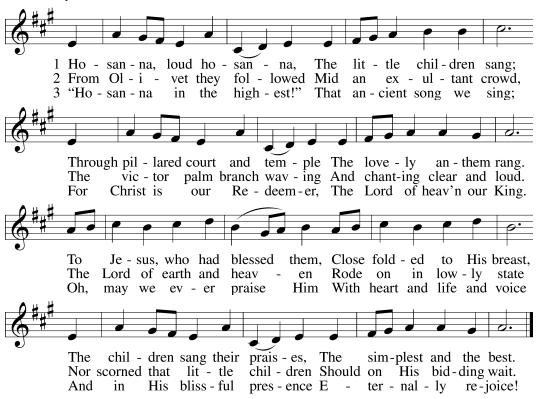
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

#### Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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Sermon

"Our Rock"

Deuteronomy 32:36-39



### Prayer of the Church and the Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show to us the answer to Your people's prayers of "Hosanna," "save now," in the Passion, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us.
- 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.

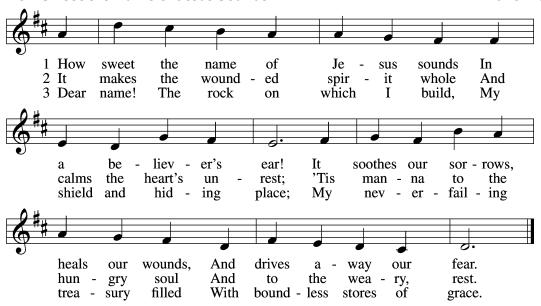
#### **Benediction**

- **P** The grace of our Lord 

  → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- Amen.

#### How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

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# Resources for Meditation this Week

#### PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

10 April 2022

### Readings

John 12:12–19 (Palm Sunday Procession)

Deuteronomy 32:36–39 Philippians 2:5–11 Luke 22:1–23:56 or Luke 23:1–56 or John 12:20–43

# The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory

The King of Israel comes into His royal glory by the path of humble obedience "to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Phil. 2:8). He "goes as it has been determined" (Luke 22:22), according to the Scriptures, willingly submitting to His Father's plan for the salvation of sinners. "Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name" (Phil. 2:9). His suffering and death open the way of repentance for the forgiveness of sins because He goes to the cross bearing the sins of the world. In His resurrection, God the Father vindicates His people and has compassion on His servants (Deut. 32:36). He kills to make alive; He wounds in order to heal. In remembrance of Him, we praise God, confessing "that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil. 2:11).



EASTER DAY 17 April 2022

# Readings

Isaiah 65:17–25 1 Corinthians 15:19–26 Luke 24:1–12

### Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation

The Lord has promised to "create new heavens and a new earth" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "the offspring of the blessed of the LORD" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "perplexed about this" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "idle tale" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.



# **Holy Week & Easter Worship**

Please join us in worship this Lent & Easter season



# **Palm Sunday Services**

Sunday, April  $10^{th}$  at 8:00 am & 10:45 am



# **Holy (Maundy) Thursday Service**

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm with Holy Communion



# **Good Friday Service**

Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm



# **Easter Services**

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 am (sunrise) 8:00 am (traditional) & 10:45 am (blended)