

# Palm Sunday



## **Triumphal Entry**

God does not need us to proclaim the good news, but it is God's good pleasure to include us in what God is doing by working through us.

April 13, 2025

## **Welcome! We're glad you're here!**

*If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please fill out the **Welcome Card** located in the pew racks. Once filled out, please place the card either in the **offering basket** as you come forward to receive communion or at the **information desk** as you enter the narthex.*

**Peace to you!**

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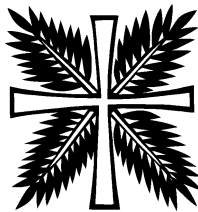
*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

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## Prelude

## Welcome

*Palm Sunday begins in a spirit of joy as we remember Jesus' arrival into the city of Jerusalem and the shouts of 'Hosanna' that welcomed him.*



## Psalm 118:19-23

<sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of righteousness,

**that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

<sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

<sup>21</sup>**I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>**This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest!**

# Palm Sunday Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

A reading from Luke.

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

<sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Processional Song** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

ELW 344 vs. 1-3

*Assembly waves palms during the refrain*

**Refrain**

**All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. Refrain**

The company of angels are praising you on high;  
creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. *Refrain*

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain*

## Prayer of the Day

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

Holy God,

**We celebrate your coming as our ruling sovereign, and cry out our hosannas with all of creation. Yet we know we will not always remain steadfast, just as the crowds will soon turn against you. Walk with us on the upcoming journey to the cross. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## Musical Offering

*A Canticle for Palm Sunday*

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*God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song*

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*Jesus enters Jerusalem by organizing a comical protest of the powers that be. The people welcome him, showing no sign that they will soon have a change of heart and call for his crucifixion. Their fickleness does not derail what is happening: the course to the cross has been set, and we are along for the ride.*

## Gospel Acclamation

**Glory to you, O Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**  
**Glory to you, O Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!** *Repeat*

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup>saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup>Indeed, the days will come upon you when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you and hem you in on every side. <sup>44</sup>They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**



**Children's Church**  
Children age 3 – 4<sup>th</sup> Gr.  
During message



## Message

*Silence for reflection follows*

## Song

**O God of Every Nation**

ELW 713 vs. 1,2,4

**O God of ev'ry nation, of ev'ry race and land,  
redeem your whole creation, with your almighty hand.  
Where hate and fear divide us, and bitter threats are hurled,  
in love and mercy guide us, and heal our strife-torn world.**

**From search for wealth and power, and scorn of truth and right,  
from trust in bombs that shower, destruction through the night.  
From pride of race and station, and blindness to your way,  
deliver ev'ry nation, eternal God, we pray.**

Keep bright in us the vision, of days when war shall cease,  
when hatred and division, give way to love and peace.  
Till dawns the morning glorious, when truth and love shall reign,  
and Christ shall rule victorious, o'er all the world's domain.

## Prayers of the People

With trust and hope, we pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*Sung before and after all prayers*

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:  
when I call, answer me.**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:  
come and listen to me.**

*Prayer response:*

God of the journey, **in mercy, hear our prayer.**

We entrust all these prayers and those of our hearts to you, O God.  
In Jesus name we pray. **Amen.**

## Sharing God's Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

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*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

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## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

# 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.

Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.

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

## Invitation

The one who comes in the name of the Lord answers our cries of "Hosanna" with his own cry of welcome. Come and meet him at the table of life, and be fed and nourished on his very presence. All is prepared! Hosanna!

*+ All are welcome at the table +*

### Options on how to receive Holy Communion

You may come forward to the rails, kneel or stand, starting at the center and filling in along the rail. After you have received communion please exit by the side aisles and put your empty cup in the basket. Those waiting will then fill in the empty space at the rail. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you at the rails with the words spoken:

***"The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you."***

If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor.

**You are invited...**

To bring an **offering** forward before or after worship or during Holy Communion. The offering is gathered in front of the communion table where we are reminded of God's gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

# Communion Songs

## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins\_\_\_ of the world, have mer - cy have  
6 mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
11 take a-way the sins\_\_\_ of the world, grant us, grant\_ us\_\_\_ peace.

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*In This Feast of Love*

ACS 962

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**In this feast of love,  
in this feast of love,  
Lord, you share your blood and your body,  
Jesus, Lamb of God.**

**In this bread and wine,  
in this bread and wine,  
you have promised, Lord, to be with us,  
Lamb of God divine.**

**Grant us peace, O Lord,  
grant us peace, O Lord;  
fill us with the joy of your Spirit,  
ever-living Word.**

## Prayer After Communion

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

**Amen.**



# Blessing

God our tender parent, God the crucified one,  
God the reconciling Spirit, ✝ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

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*God blesses us and sends us out in mission to the world.*

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The long journey of Lent has brought us to Jerusalem. As we enter into Holy Week, our attention turns to the events commemorated in these days: teaching, a last meal shared, betrayal, crucifixion. The royal purple is removed from the cross and crimson hung in its place. We end today's joy filled liturgy by leaning into the solemnity of what is to come.

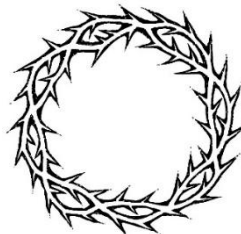


# Holy Gospel

Luke 22:1-6

Now the Festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. <sup>2</sup>The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus<sup>[a]</sup> to death, for they were afraid of the people.

<sup>3</sup>Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; <sup>4</sup>he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. <sup>5</sup>They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. <sup>6</sup>So he consented and began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.



## Song

### *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

ELW 347 vs. 1-3

Go to dark Gethsemane,  
all who feel the tempter's pow'r;  
your Redeemer's conflict see.  
Watch with him one bitter hour;  
turn not from his griefs away;  
learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall,  
view the Lord of life arraigned;  
oh, the wormwood and the gall!  
Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!  
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;  
learn from him to bear the cross.

Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb;  
there, adoring at his feet,  
mark that miracle of time,  
God's own sacrifice complete.  
"It is finished!" hear him cry;  
learn from Jesus Christ to die.

## Sending

Go in peace. Journey now the pilgrim way. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

## *Prayer Labyrinth*

Our prayer labyrinth will be available for prayer and meditation in the fellowship hall ½ hour before and after each Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship. It will also be available from 10-11:30am on April 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.

A prayer labyrinth is a circular path, used for walking meditation and prayer, allowing individuals to engage mind, body, and spirit, and to see their lives as a journey of faith.



The Holy Week experience continues . . .

### *Maundy Thursday* - April 17th

**Holy Communion + Stripping of the Altar + Washing of Feet + Hand Blessing**  
10:30am & 6:30pm Services

### *Good Friday* - April 18th

**Readings, Song & Prayer**  
10:30am & 6:30pm Services

### *Easter Sunday* - April 20th

**Festival Holy Communion**  
8:30am & 10:30am Services  
9:30am – Easter Breakfast  
11:30am – Easter Egg Hunt



## Worship Leadership

- Pastor: Julie Brooks, Kim Gonia
- Organist: Jordan Ortman
- Reader: Randy Updike
- Communion Assistants: Lisa Grimm, Gaylene Szaltzer
- Greeters: Diane & Jeff Watts
- Musical Offering: Chancel Choir
- Ushers: Bosak-Simmons Family
- Altar Guild: Betty Moody
- Children's Church: Children's Church Team
- Technology: Judy Ekberg, Mark Lee
- Fellowship Host: Open

### **Song Resource Key**

**ELW:** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal*

**ACS:** *All Creation Sings*

**HSSB:** *Holy Shepherd Songbook*

**WOV:** *With One Voice*

### **Narrative Lectionary Worship Resources**

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