



WELCOME TO
PALM SUNDAY
AT ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 24, 2024

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8:30 AND 11:00 A.M.

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INTRODUCTION

This week, the center of the church's year, is one of striking contrasts: Jesus rides into Jerusalem surrounded by shouts of glory, only to be left alone to die on the cross, abandoned by even his closest friends. Mark's gospel presents Jesus in his complete human vulnerability: agitated, grieved, scared, forsaken. Though we lament Christ's suffering and all human suffering, we also expect God's salvation: in the wine and bread, Jesus promises that his death will mark a new covenant with all people. We enter this holy week thirsty for the completion of God's astonishing work.

ACCLAMATION

- P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
C **Hosanna in the highest!**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-38

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 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, saying,

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

After the reading:

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF PALMS

- P Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

PROCESSION

P Let us go forth in peace,
C in the name of Christ. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Vss. 1-5 LBW #108

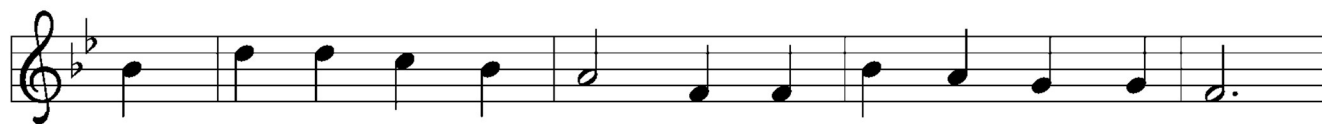
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All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

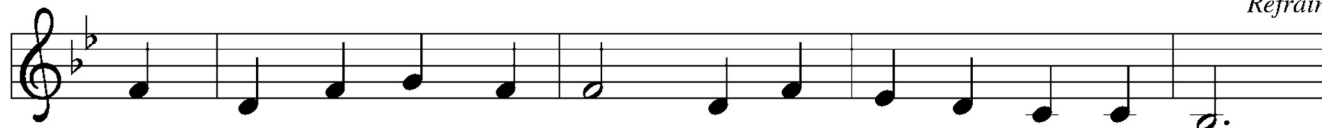


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

GREETING

P 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.

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang.
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray together the prayer of the day.
- C **Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The 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. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I 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. The 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; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

After the reading:

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

- P Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- C **or my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**
- P I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- C **Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**
- P For 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.
- C **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, "You are my God.**
- P My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and
from those who persecute me.
- C **Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."**

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

After the reading:

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

C **Glory to you O God.**

GOSPEL: Mark 14:1—15:47

8:30

Narrator-Pastor

Jesus-Trevor Downing

Judas-Larry Carpenter

Servant Girl-Emily Shipman

High Priest-Norma Pitts

Peter-Brent Welch

Pilate-Bob Swinehart

Centurion-Adam Cahill

Bystander-Jane Cahill

11:00

Narrator-Pastor

Jesus-Craig Forsyth

Judas-Amy Lytle

Servant Girl-Rita Heiby

High Priest-Dustin Bunch

Peter-Ben Pforsich

Pilate-Phil Canfield

Centurion-Del Phillips

Bystander-Tom Heiby

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lamb of God”

8:30 Childs

JEAN PONTIOUS

“Lamb of God”

11:00 Carter

BETH PITTMAN AND JEAN PONTIOUS

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world,
and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A Save your church, O God. Enable us to boldly confess in every time and place that Jesus Christ is Lord. With the humility of a servant, equip congregations, synods, and other ministry settings to proclaim your extravagant love for all. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Save your creation, O God. Every living being you have made has purpose. Give us renewed appreciation of farm animals who labor in the fields, service animals who accompany their human companions, and beloved pets who live alongside us. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Save the peoples of the earth, O God. Restore dignity to those who are scorned and persecuted for their religious beliefs or political activism, and deliver them from the hand of their enemies. Bring peace to places where conflict runs deep (especially). Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Save those who cry to you in any need, O God. Watch over all who are incarcerated or awaiting trial, and stand with those who are unjustly accused. Be present with those feeling isolated, lonely, or fearful (*especially*). Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Save us in your love, O God. Guide the work of church musicians, pastors, choirs, readers, deacons, technicians, acolytes, and all who assist in worship. Sustain them in their leadership as they accompany congregations through this Holy Week. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

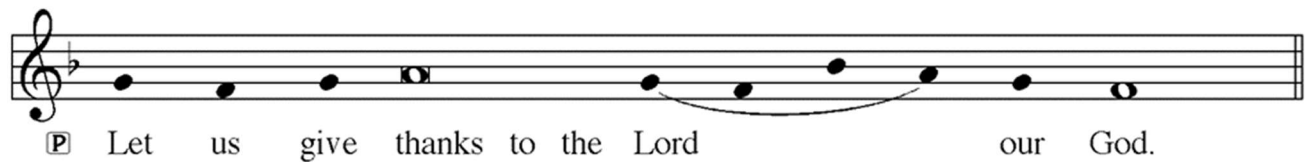
A Save us at the last, O God. We give you thanks for your saints of old who embodied your servant love. As you came to their aid, so deliver us in times of trial, that every knee would bend in praise to you. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

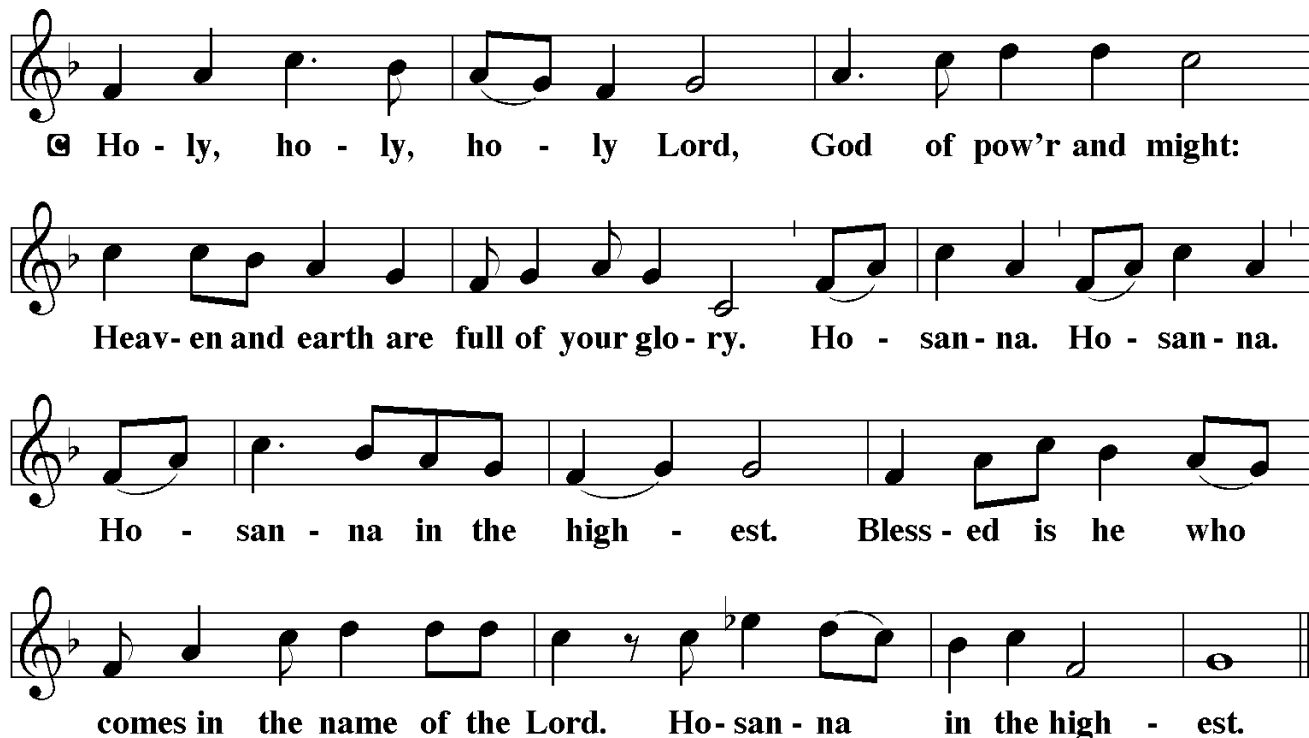
A We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

A Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

C Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

- P** And now may the body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and His most holy and precious blood, strengthen you and preserve you and keep you to true faith unto life everlasting. May we depart in peace and may the Lord be with you.
- C** **Amen**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.
- C** **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
C Amen

SENDING HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane” Vss. 1 & 2

LBW #109

1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - raigned;

your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!

turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Worship God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others. Make Disciples.
C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

The 2024 flower chart is located in the Narthex above the Usher's stand. Please sign up to purchase flowers for that special someone or to celebrate a date or memory. All vases are \$22.00 each.

	8:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
ASSISTING MINISTER	JANE PRAUSE	CRAIG FORSYTH
PASTOR	THE REV. AARON LAYNE	

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

March 28, 2024 7:00 p.m.



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT "THE FORUM"

March 29, 2024 2:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE AT ADVENT

March 29, 2024 7:00 p.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 30 11:00 a.m.
Ages 1 – 10



EASTER SUNDAY – THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Sunday, March 31, 2024

8:30 a.m. - "Celebration of the Resurrection" Eucharist at Advent

9:45 a.m. - Easter Breakfast at Advent

11:00 a.m. - "Celebration of the Resurrection" Eucharist at Advent

2:00 p.m. - "Celebration of the Resurrection"
Eucharist at "The Forum"

