

*Hosanna  
in the highest!*

*PALM SUNDAY*

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**AS WE GATHER** Sunday, "the eighth day of the week," is celebrated by Christians as the first day of the eternal life into which they were baptized. Today, the beginning of the great and Holy Week of Lent, we begin with the note of great joy as the crowds receive Jesus entering Jerusalem. This will be the last time He comes to the holy city. Later this week, we will follow Him to the judgment hall, the cross of suffering, and the fearful tomb of death. The penitential season of Lent concludes with the three holy days, the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Let us follow our Lord and allow Him to take our sins upon Himself that we may receive His new life in the forgiveness of our sins and the joy of the resurrection.

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### RINGING OF THE BELLS

### WELCOME

*(Congregation stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance to the nave.)*

### 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.

**C** Amen.

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** 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.

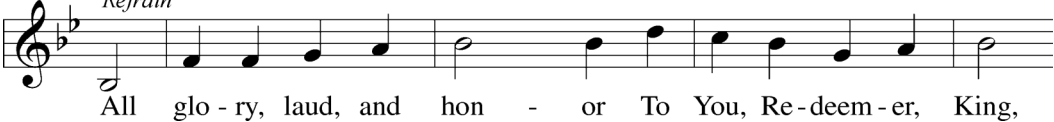
## OPENING SENTENCES

(John 12; Psalm 118:19, 22, 26, 29)

- P** After Jesus showed His power in raising Lazarus from the dead, the people took palm branches and went out to meet him shouting:
- C** “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!”
- P** Open to me the gates of righteousness,
- C** that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- P** The stone that the builders rejected
- C** has become the cornerstone.
- P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!
- C** We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
- C** for His steadfast love endures forever!
- P** Hosanna!
- C** “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!”

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” LSB 442, sts. 1, 3-5


*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,



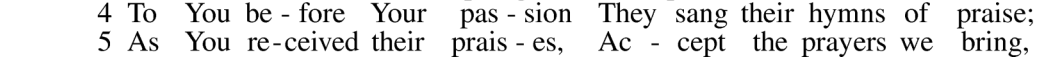
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



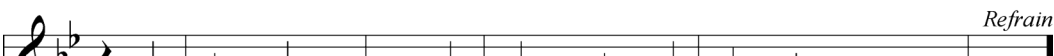
1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,



3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;

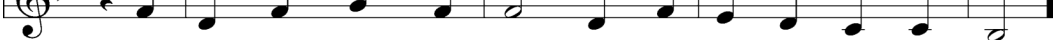


4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;

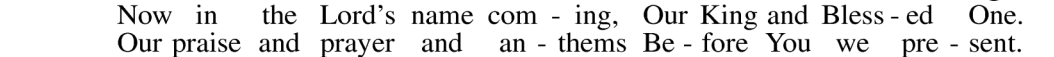


5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

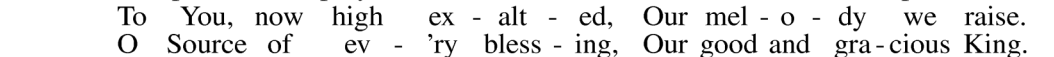
*Refrain*




Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.



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.



O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

## INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Like the people who greeted Jesus as He entered Jerusalem and then later cried “Crucify him,” we are unfaithful people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Remembering the events of Jesus’ last week helps us see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a Savior, a Savior—praise God—we have in Christ. In honesty and hope, we now confess our sins to God.
- C** **O Lord, You are our teacher and our master. You set the example of servanthood for us by humbling Yourself to become human and submitting to a terrible death on a cross. I come to You in prayer confessing my own sin, my own brokenness, and my own need for You. In my pride, I have considered myself better than others. Today I ask You to forgive my sins. Transform me today and help me to be humble. Instill in me a desire to serve both You and others. Have mercy on me, O Lord. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I announce the grace of God to all of you; and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## HYMN OF RESPONSE “Hosanna in the Highest”

*(tune: “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” LSB 443)*

Hosanna in the highest! Our Savior King we praise;  
Who gave His life, a sacrifice, To Jesus songs we raise.  
He comes a humble servant, With glory from above;  
His majesty is mercy, His splendor is His love.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. 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. Rejoicing in Your mercy to us this day, enable us to follow our Savior, walking with Him to His cross and sharing with Him in His resurrection. We pray this in the name of our humble King, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### OLD TESTAMENT

*Zechariah 9:9-12*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### PSALMODY

*Psalm 118:19-26*

*Cantor: This is the day the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad!*

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**Refrain (ALL):**




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*Cantor: Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.  
This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.  
I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. (Refrain)*

**Refrain**  
**(ALL):**



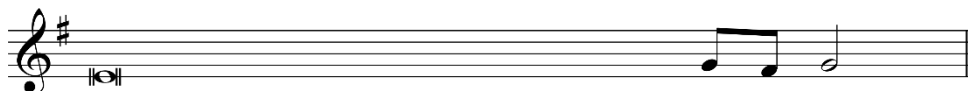
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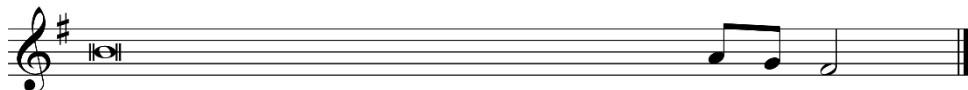
This is the day the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad!\_\_\_

*Cantor: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;  
the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.  
The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad! (Refrain)*

*Cantor: LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.*



Glorify him in the Father and to the Son  
As it was in the beginning



And to the Holy Spirit - it  
is now and will be forever. Amen. (Refrain)

## EPISTLE

*Philippians 2:5-11*

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.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 21:1-9*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

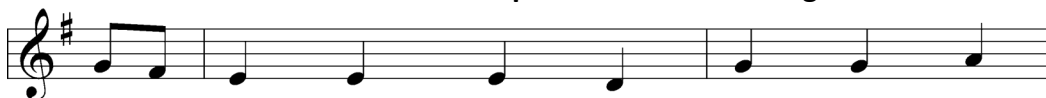
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the 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.

# HYMN OF THE DAY

## "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

LSB 444



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet  
 2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;  
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;  
 4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake



With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's  
 With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the  
 The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but  
 The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"  
 cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.  
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.  
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride  
 A - stride a colt He pass - es by  
 The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,  
 Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri-umph ring, No cit - y gates swing  
 As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y  
 The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the  
 Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"



## SERMON

“The Trojan Donkey”

Rev. James L. Mayland

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**MISSION STATEMENT** *To gather people who grow in faith and share Jesus with all.*

**VISION STATEMENT** *To strive to be a mature and faithful congregation that is focused on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

## MUSICAL OFFERING

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(After each petition, the following is said...)*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**G** hear our prayer.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**G** And also with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**G** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS HYMN

**“Sing Holy, Holy, Holy”**  
*(to the tune of “All Glory Laud and Honor”)*

Sing holy, holy, holy To God the Three in One.  
With saints and angels praising – Our vict’ry He has won.  
The earth and all creation Sound forth His awesome praise.  
With them we lift our voices and hymns of joy we raise.  
Sing holy, holy, holy To God the Three in One.  
With saints and angels praising – Our vict’ry He has won.

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## THE 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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI HYMN

**“To Thee O Christ, Our Savior”**  
*(to the tune of “All Glory Laud and Honor”)*

To Thee, O Christ, our Savior, O Lamb of God, our King,  
We bend the knee in homage; To Thee our praises bring.  
In mercy You pressed onward, All sin fully to pay,  
And on the cross You opened A new and living way.  
To Thee, O Christ, our Savior, O Lamb of God, our King,  
We bend the knee in homage; To Thee our praises bring.

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## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*Christ invites all repentant sinners to partake in His feast of forgiveness – the Lord’s Supper. LCMS communicant members are invited to examine their faith using pages 329-330 in the hymnal and receive the Savior’s body and blood. Grape juice is available in the center of the trays in lieu of wine. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Visitors wishing to commune should see a pastor or an elder before service. We ask this because we love you.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“When I Behold Jesus Christ”	LSB 542
“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”	LSB 437

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** Let us pray. O God the Father, source of all goodness, in Your loving-kindness You sent Your Son to share our humanity. We thank You that through Him You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that You will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve You day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24-26*

- 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

### “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

LSB 443



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,  
3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.  
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav' n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,  
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state  
Oh, 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.  
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.  
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### POSTLUDE

#### “The Royal Banners Forward Go”

*arr. Held*

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ORGANIST & CANTOR: *Mr. Matthew Hoehne, Director of Music*

MUSICIANS: *Glenn Marquardt, trumpet; Will Hoehne, horn;  
Alicia Ollhoff, trombone*

ELDERS: *7:30am—Bob Zimmerman, Tim Rock; 9am—Dan Schwantes, Dan Oelke*

ACOLYTES: *9am—Cooper Egner*

TECH: *9am—Marcella Mader*

## WELCOME TO TRINITY!

Your presence is very special to us. May your faith be strengthened and your life enriched as you join us in worship to God!

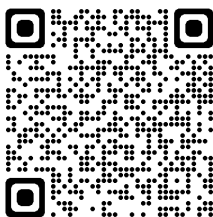
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**TRADITIONAL/BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE SANCTUARY—**  
7:30am & 9am Sunday  
**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER (SLC)—**  
5pm Saturday

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- **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**—Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday. We invite those who have been instructed in the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. Others are asked to speak with a pastor before receiving the Sacrament. *Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*
- **LARGE PRINT**—large print copies of the bulletin are available on the table in the Narthex or you may ask the usher for one.
- **CHILDREN'S BULLETINS**—for ages 3-6 & 7-12 years, are available on the table in the Narthex.
- **NURSERY**—for children ages 3 & under. The upper level nursery is located near the Church Lounge on Sundays. *Please Note: The upper level nursery will be unstaffed unless volunteers are available.*
- **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**—Sunday School is available for children 4 years old through 6th Grade at 10:15am on Sunday mornings during the school year. Christian Education courses for adults and young adults are held at 10:15am on Sunday mornings & various times throughout the week during the school year. Trinity is committed to Christian Education through the 4K-8th grade School and our Childcare (infant through 13 years).
- **ELEVATOR**—is located next to the nursery on the upper level. On the lower level the elevator is located across from Classroom #101, which is past the offices. Use as needed.
- **RESTROOMS**—Narthex level across from the Library, lower level next to the elevator.
- **JOINING TRINITY**—We invite you to become part of this Christian community! If interested in membership, please speak with an elder or pastor, and we will contact you.

### Automated Giving Options



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