

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025

8:30 & 11:00 am and Livestream



Hosanna by Mike Moyers

FAITH . DISCIPLESHIP . COMMUNITY
THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Rev. Drew McCaffery, Pastor

At The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, we embrace the uniqueness of every individual and respect their dignity and worth, for all are created in the image of God. We strive to welcome everyone in the fullness of who they are.

Let us call together for reconciliation, and live out God's vision of love for people of every sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, socio-economic status, age, physical or mental ability, political persuasion, race, ethnicity, and personal history. Let us walk together to strive for racial equity, as Jesus calls us to do.



All people are welcome here to worship, build community, and grow together as Jesus' disciples at this place.

✦ GATHERING ✦

Prelude

I Know That My Redeemer Lives: Jesus Shall Reign
Handbell Choir

M. Helman

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P *Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.*

C **Amen.**

P *Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's
abiding love.*

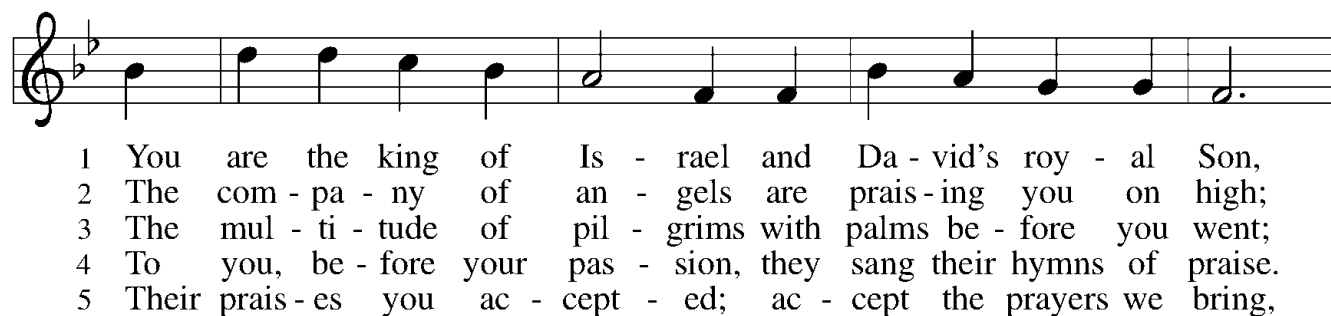
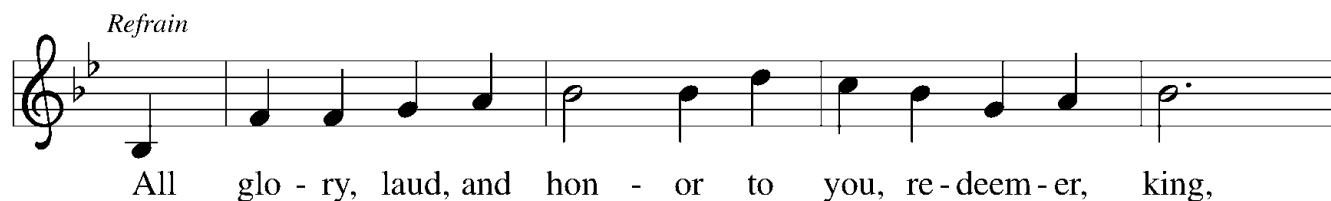
Silence is kept for reflection.

P *Compassionate One,*

C **you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our
lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do
not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We
do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to
all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free
again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.
Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross.
Amen.**

P *Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to
welcome the wandering ones home. In ☩ Christ your sins are
forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.*

C **Amen.**



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.**



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

A *Let us pray. Sovereign God,*

C **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.**

Please be seated.

✦ THE WORD ✦

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A *A reading from Isaiah. ⁴ 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 awakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
⁵ The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
⁶ 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.

⁷ 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;
⁸ he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
^{9a} It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?*

A *The word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 31:9-16

A ⁹ *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 ¹⁰ **For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are
consumed.**

A ¹¹ *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 ¹² **Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.**

A ¹³ *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 ¹⁴ **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord.
I have said, “You are my God.**

- A** ¹⁵ *My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those
who persecute me.*
- C** ¹⁶ **Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.”**

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

- A** *A reading from the letter to the Philippians. ⁵ Let the same mind be
in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.*
- ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.*

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

Please stand as you are able.



Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

P *The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the nineteenth chapter.*

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

²⁸ *After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.*

²⁹ *When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ 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. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ” ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴ They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now 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, ³⁸ saying, “Blessed is the king*

*who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”*

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

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

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Rev. Drew McCaffery

Please stand as you are able.



1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prais - es
 4 We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made a -



me, love to the love - less shown that they might
 stow; the world that was his own would not its
 sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas
 way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I that
 Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my
 to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is
 life to slay. Yet cheer - ful he to



for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!
 all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.
 suf - f'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

A *Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.*

C **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of

the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A *Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.*

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers:

A *God in your mercy,*
C **receive our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P *Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.*
C **Amen.**

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

After sharing the peace, please be seated.

As the gifts are presented, please stand, as you are able.



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

- A** *Let us pray. Gracious Provider,*
C **you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen**

✦ THE EUCHARIST ✦

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

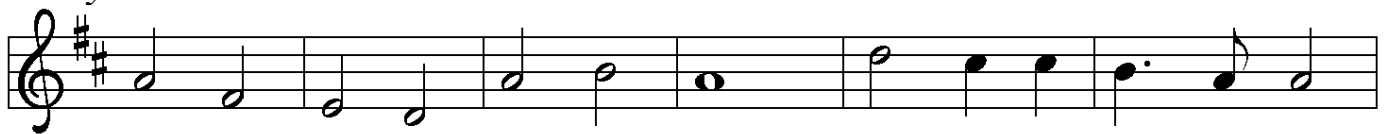
P *Lift up your hearts.*

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:*



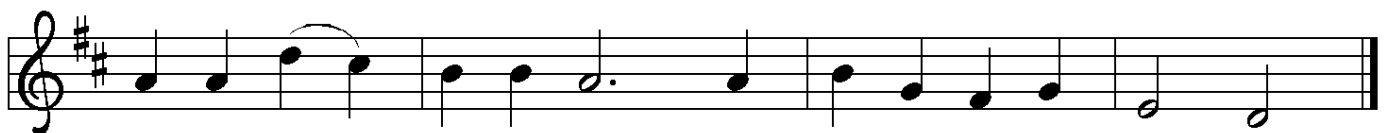
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

P *Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you. You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock. We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.*

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world. Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P *Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior taught us:*

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.

P *All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.*
C **Thanks be to God!**

Please be seated.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table! Whether you are a member of this church or a visitor, the Communion celebrated here is "open" to all who trust that our Lord Jesus Christ—his true Body and his true Blood—is present for All of God's People.

(Note: should you prefer, we also offer gluten free wafers and white grape juice.)

During the distribution, the following is sung:

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, grant us peace.

Refrain



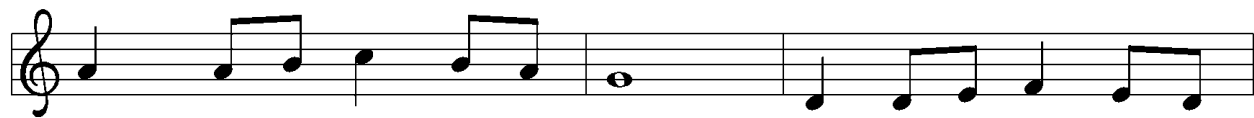
Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.



1	Break	now	the	bread	of	Christ's	sac - ri - fice;	giv - ing
2	Seek	not	the	food	that	will	pass a - way;	set your
3	Love	as	the	one	who,	in	love for you,	gave him -
4	Dwell	in	the	one	who	now	dwells in you;	make your
5	Drink	of	this	cup	and	de - clare	his death;	eat this



thanks,	hun - gry	ones,	gath - er	round.	Eat,	all	of	you,	and	be
hearts	on	the	food	that	en - dures.	Come,	learn	the	true	and
self	for	the	life	of	the	Come	to	the	one	who
home	in	the	life -	giv - ing	Word.	Know	on - ly	Christ,	Ho - ly	
bread	and	be - lieve	Eas - ter	morn;	trust	his	re - turn	and,	with	



Refrain

sat - is - fied;	in	Christ's	pres - ence	the	loaves	will	a - bound.
liv - ing	way,	that	the	full - ness	of	life	may be yours.
food	for	you,	that	your	hun - ger	and	thirst be no more.
One	of	God,	and	be - lieve	in	the	truth you have heard.
ev - 'ry	breath,	praise	the	one	in	whom	you are re - born.

After all have communed, please stand, as you are able.

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

C **Amen.**

A *Let us pray. Generous Host,*
C **you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

✦ SENDING ✦

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

Sending Hymn

They Crucified My Lord

No. 350



1 They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 2 They nailed him to a tree, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 3 They pierced him in the side, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 4 The blood came stream - in' down, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 5 He hung his head and died, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;



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not a word, not a word, not a word.

A *Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.*
C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Pray for Those That Need God's Healing

*Ray, Shirley, Al, Andrea, Donna, Joan, Ed, Marion, Betty,
Doris, Georgeann, Jean, Nicholas, Lois, Barbara & Bruce*

EASTER SEASON

WORSHIP

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Palm Sunday

APRIL 13

8:30am & 11am

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Maundy Thursday

APRIL 17

6:45pm

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Good Friday

APRIL 18

noon & 6:45pm

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EASTER

APRIL 20

8:30am | 11am

11am also livestreamed

Easter Breakfast 9:30-10:30am

He is Risen!

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SERVING TODAY

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

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