

Blessed

IS THE ONE
WHO COMES
IN THE NAME
OF THE LORD.

-Matthew 21:9

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Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion

March 29th 2026

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Jacob Wilson

Please gather in the breezeway to enter the sanctuary in procession. Those with mobility limitations are invited to be seated in the sanctuary to await the procession.

Congregational responses are in bold print.

GATHERING

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Processional Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of the Palms

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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. Amen.

PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

All are invited to process into the sanctuary, singing:

ENTRANCE HYMN

All Glory, Laud and Honor #344

Refrain



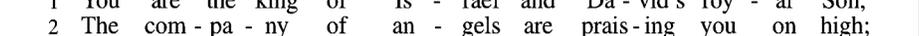
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re-deem - er, king,



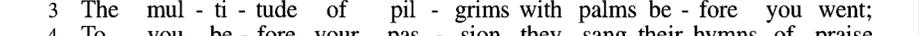
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



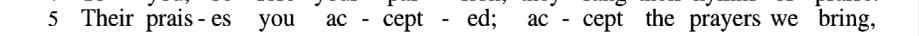
1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,



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.

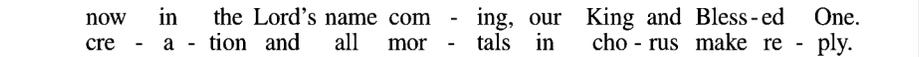


5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

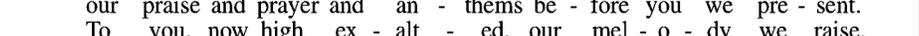
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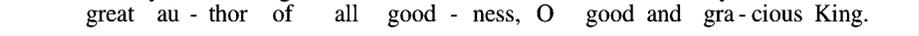
now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless-ed One.



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray.

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.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 31:9-16

9 Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.

10 For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.

11 Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

12 I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

13 For I hear the whispering of many—terror on every side!—as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

14 But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God."
15 My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand
of my enemies and from my persecutors!
**16 Make your face shine on your servant; save me in
your steadfast love!**

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Jesus the King Passes By

GOSPEL

Matthew 26:14-27:66

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Silence for Reflection

You are invited to stand as able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW#345

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal



sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!



NICENE CREED

**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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer ends:

Hear us, O God,

Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say "peace be with you," or similar words.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

An offering is received for the mission of the church.

SOLO - *Karen Linfor*

"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"

OFFERING SONG

You are invited to stand as able.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...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:

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord...

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

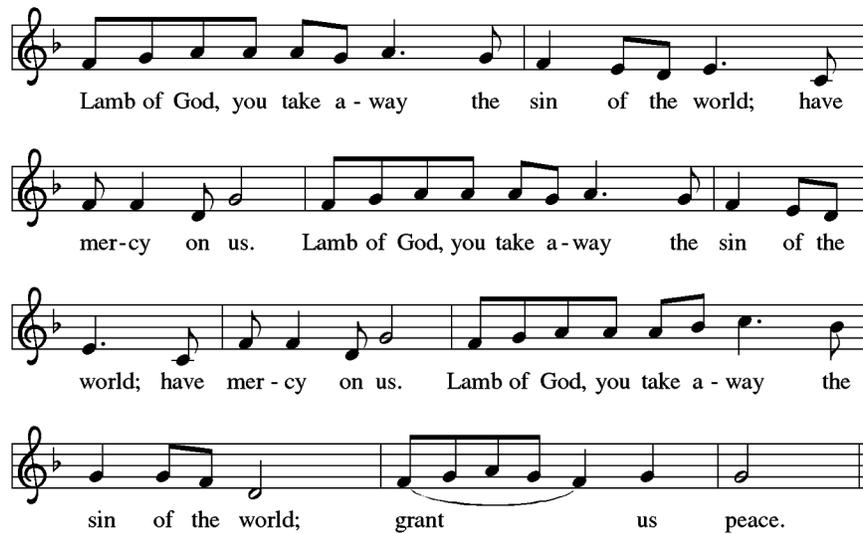
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever and forever. Amen.**
Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All are welcome at Christ's table. Come forward by the center aisle at the usher's invitation. Those not yet communing will receive a blessing. Bread will be placed in your open hands. Grape juice is in the pink glasses in the center of the tray encircled by wine in clear glasses. Individual communion packets are available near the entrance for those who prefer them.

POST COMMUNION SONG

You are invited to stand as able.



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.

Post-Communion Blessing

Now may the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of our salvation,

**we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.**

**Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world,
bearing witness to your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

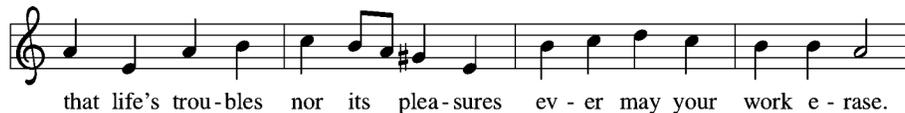
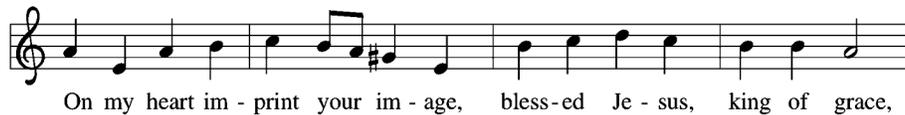
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW#811

On My Heart Imprint Your Image



Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Jane Fanucci



Worship Assistants

Altar Care: Kelly Boyer

Announcements: Carolyn Andrews

Ushers: Daniel Laryea & Rosie Brown

Communion Servers: Faith Thomas, Bob Behr, & Scott Kelly

Song Leader: Karen Linfor

Reader: Karen Linfor

Prayer Leader: Clarence Korhonen

Refreshments: Laura Weaver & Laura Tice



Easter Continental Breakfast

The Evangelism Board invites you to join us on Easter morning for our annual Continental breakfast at 9:30am. In true Lutheran fashion, I'm sure there will be an abundance of food and time to eat after church as well! Pastor Rob will also be hosting an egg hunt at 10am for any kids that stop by.

All Are Welcome.

We hope to see you there!



Holy Week at St. Luke's
March 29 - April 5

Today`	Palm Sunday/Holy Communion	10:30am
Monday	Soul Sisters RM 4	Noon-2pm
Tuesday	Finance Board RM 5	10:00am
Thursday	Maundy Thursday Service	7:00pm
Friday	Good Friday Service	7:00pm
Sunday	Easter Continental Breakfast	9:30am
	☼Easter Egg Hunt ☼	10:00am
	Easter Sunday Worship	10:30am



Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate \$15 toward the purchase of an Easter Lily, April 1st is the deadline to submit an order. Order forms are in the narthex.

