April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday







HOLY WEEK

Prepare for Worship

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord." Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Amen.

Handbell Choir (10:30 am)

Palm Sunday Procession with Palms

Those processing gather in a convenient location and receive palm branches or fronds. The minister may begin the service at the entry of the nave and lead the procession. In this case he invites the congregation to stand and face the entrance to the nave.

Stand

Setting One

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Dear friends in Christ, during the weeks of Lent we have been preparing to commemorate our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn journey of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Savior and to gain for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We follow him in faith and praise him with joy.

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

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted "Hosanna" and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Let us go forth in peace,

in the name of the Lord.

The procession begins. During the procession, the hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" is sung. $^{\circ}$

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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 is prais-ing you on high,
- 3 The peo-ple of the He-brews 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,



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One. and we with all cre - a - tion 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. O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, our good and gra-cious King.

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Confession CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution CW 154

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Word

Salutation

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

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-4

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight. I am placing my Spirit on him. He will announce a just verdict for the nations.

²He will not cry out. He will not raise his voice. He will not make his voice heard in the street.

³A bent reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not snuff out. He will faithfully bring forth a just verdict.

⁴He will not burn out, and he will not be broken, until he establishes justice on the earth. The coastlands will wait for his law.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

24H Let the LORD Enter; He Is the King of Glory

Refrain



Tone



The earth is the LORD's, and every- / thing in it, the world, and all who / live in it; for he founded it / on the seas and established it on the / waters.

Who may ascend the mountain / of the LORD?

Who may stand in his / holy place?

The one who has clean hands and a / pure heart, they will receive blessing from God their / Savior. *Refrai*

Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you / ancient doors, that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is this King of / glory?

The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in / battle.

Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you / ancient doors, that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is he, this King of / glory?

The LORD Almighty—he is the King of / glory.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be-/ginning,

is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

Indeed, let this attitude be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. ⁶Though he was by nature God, he did not consider equality with God as a prize to be displayed, ⁷but he emptied himself by taking the nature of a servant. When he was born in human likeness, and his appearance was like that of any other man, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

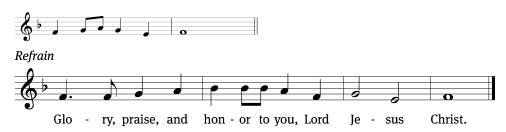
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

CW 161





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Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

After Jesus had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹As he came near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ahead, ³⁰saying, "Go to the village ahead of you. When you enter it, you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will say this: 'The Lord needs it.'"

³²Those who were sent ahead went and found things just as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵Then they brought the colt to Jesus. They threw their robes on the colt and set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he went along, people spread their robes on the road. ³⁷As he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began to praise God joyfully, with a loud voice, for all the miracles they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

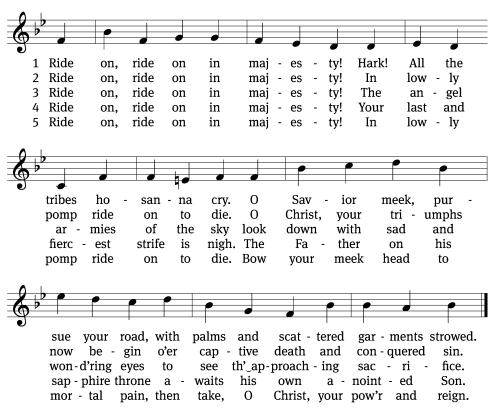
³⁹Some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" ⁴⁰He replied, "I tell you, if these people would be silent, the stones would cry out."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

411 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



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Sermon Triumphal Surrender Luke 19:28-40

Stand

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 in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Prayer of the Church

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to free us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

We confess that without your love we are lost.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

Guard and guide those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and values as Christians.

By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

Keep in your care those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, and those victimized by war and injustice. Comfort all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart. Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

Watch over those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Hear us as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Be seated

Good News for Kids/Offering

The Sacrament

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns. The Lord's Supper makes a second statement. It says, "We are one in all that we do." We don't know if this type of bond exists with our guests, so we ask that if you are not a member of a WELS or ELS congregation you refrain from the Lord's Supper today and meet personally with our pastor if you desire to receive the sacrament in the future.

Stand

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The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.

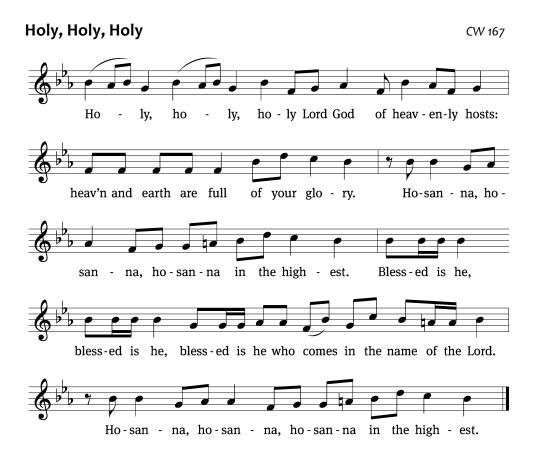


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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 ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



Be seated

Distribution

534 Hail, O Once-Despised Jesus



- 1 Hail, O once de spis ed Je sus! Hail, O Gal i le an King!
- 2 Pas-chal Lamb, by God ap-point-ed, all our sins on you were laid;
- 3 Je sus, heav'n-ly hosts a dore you, seat-ed at your Fa-ther's side.
- 4 Wor-ship, hon or, pow'r, and bless-ing you are wor-thy to re-ceive;



You have suf-fered to re-lease us, hope to give and peace to bring. by al-might-y love a-noint-ed, you have full a-tone-ment made. Cru-ci-fied this world once saw you; now in glo-ry you a-bide. loud-est prais-es, with-out ceas-ing, right it is for us to give.



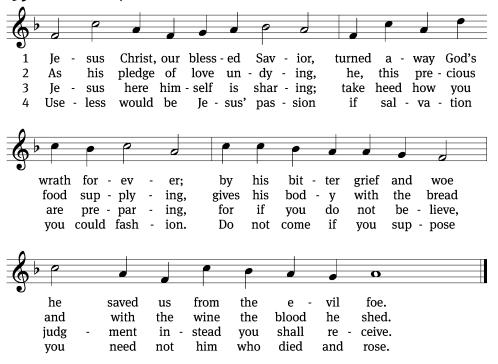
Hail, O u - ni - ver - sal Sav - ior, bear - er of our sin and shame; Ev - 'ry sin has been for - giv - en thro' the pow - er of your blood; There for sin-ners you are plead-ing, and our place you now pre - pare, Help, O bright an - gel - ic spir - its, all your no - blest an-thems raise;



by your mer-its we find fa-vor: life is giv-en thro' your name. o-pen is the gate of heav-en, we are rec-on-ciled to God. ev-er for us in-ter-ced-ing till in glo-ry we ap-pear. help to sing our Sav-ior's mer-its, help to chant Im-man-uel's praise.

Text: A Collection of Hymns, London, 1757; A Collection of Psalms and Hymns, London, 1760 Tune: Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, Halle, 1704, ed. Johann A. Freylinghausen Text and tune: Public domain

659 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



- 5 Christ says, "Come, all you that labor, and receive my grace and favor; those who feel no pain or ill need no physician's help or skill."
- 6 Then hold fast with faith unshaken that this food is to be taken by the souls who are distressed, by hearts that long for peace and rest.
- Praise the Father, who from heaven unto us such food has given and, to mend what we have done, gave into death his only Son.
- 8 If your heart this truth professes and your mouth your sin confesses, surely you will be his guest and at his banquet ever blest.

Text: John Hus, c. 1369–1415; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941 Tune: Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1533, ed. Joseph Klug, alt. Text and tune: Public domain

A suggested prayer to use after receiving Holy Communion

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Stand

Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

Amen.

Handbell Choir

(8:00 am)

413 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



- 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 ult ant crowd,
- 3 "Ho san na in the high est!" that an-cient song we sing,



thro' 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 roy - al pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

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Welcome to Lincoln Heights!

We are glad you are here today to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please speak with an usher for any help.

Yellow Cards

Please fill out a yellow card and place it in the offering plate when passed. Thank you.

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list:

Ukraine

Ray & Gloria Overson, Sherry Just and Randy Michael- shut-ins

Merle Carter, Linda Thielke, Larry Borchert, Jeff Overson, Pat Oswald, Makenzie

Phippen- health

Daniel Pfeifer & Paige Harman, Addyson Pender & Zach Ostendorf, Caleb Winecke & Makayla Gallentine, - engaged couples

Thank You to Today's Helpers

Accompanist: Buffy Kokke

Altar Guild: Candice Pippett & Andrea Travi **Counters:** Leon Burger & Cassandra Canny

Streaming: Megan Bowman

Ushers 8 am: Lee Bowman & Peter Nolte

Ushers 10:30 am: Tom Oswald

Next Sunday's Servants

Accompanist: Donna Bakken

Altar Guild: Candice Pippett & Andrea Travi

Counters: Karl Kuhrt & Steve Winecke

Streaming: Megan Bowman

Ushers 8 am: Lee Bowman & Peter Nolte

Ushers 10:30 am: Tom Oswald

Holy Week and Easter Worship Schedule

April 17 Maundy Thursday Worship w/Communion at 5 & 7 pm

April 18 Good Friday Worship at 5 & 7 pm

April 20 Easter Worship at 8 & 10:30 am

Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the readings for this week on Monday through Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday through Saturday. The Word for next Sunday:

Isaiah 25:6-9, 1 Corinthians 15:51-57, Luke 24:1-12

Merle's 98th

Merle Carter was born on Easter Sunday 98 years ago. His birthday falls on Maundy Thursday this year but he will probably not be able to attend Holy Week services as he is recovering from an injury at home. A basket/box is available in the entry for birthday and get well cards. Encouragement from his fellow believers will be very much appreciated.

Mowing Volunteers

Please sign up to help keep the church lawn mowed and trimmed this summer. A sign up sheet is available in the narthex. Mow as many or as few times as you would like. Contact Brent Canny with any questions.

Forward in Christ

The April issue is available on the shelf outside the sanctuary or it can be read at forwardinchrist.net

The Dawn after the Darkness discusses how Jesus' resurrection chases away the darkness and gloom. (p. 10).

A Cup of Coffee and God's Grace is a story of patience, heartache, and the joy that comes from sharing Christ's love with a hurting soul. (p. 12).

In My Christian Life, a missionary wife shares the importance of family ties. (p. 18).

Online Giving

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THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS April 13 - 20, 2025

Sunday	8:00 am 9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am	Worship with Communion Homeless Meal Delivery Sunday School Bible Class Worship with Communion Kunama Worship
Thursday	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday	5:00 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Good Friday Worship Choir Good Friday Worship
Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship Easter Breakfast Worship

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