HOLY COMMUNION Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024 8 & 10:30AM

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Palm Sunday leads us into Holy Week, which focuses us on the celebration of the mystery of our salvation. In baptism, we have been joined to this story; in Holy Week, we make our way through it again, because it brings us to life with Christ.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: 8:00 am: *Hosanna*, *Loud Hosanna*

10:30 am: *The Palms* Faure

Lehenbauer

Bob Reichner, tenor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSION WITH PALMS

Stand

Palm branches are distributed before the service begins.

- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **C** Hosanna in the highest.
- 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.
- A Let us go forth in peace,
- **G** in the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN: All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All Glory, Laud, and Honor



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The presiding minister concludes the procession.

- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **G** Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- Everlasting God,
 in your endless love for the human race
 you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature
 and to suffer death on the cross.
 In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will
 and in the glorious victory of his resurrection,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Zechariah 9:9-12

The divine warrior image follows the image of God entering into Jerusalem. The Gospels use this passage in their accounts of Jesus riding into Jerusalem in the days before his crucifixion.

A A reading from Zechariah. ⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war-horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

Later service only.

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29 (The congregation's verses are printed in bold font.)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good;*

his mercy en- | dures forever.

²Let Israel | now proclaim,*

"His mercy en- | dures forever."

¹⁹Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*

I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the Lord.

²⁰"This is the gate | of the Lord;*

he who is right- | eous may enter."

²¹I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me* and have become | my salvation.

²²The same stone which the build- | ers rejected* has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³This is | the Lord's doing,* and it is marvelous | in our eyes.

²⁴On this day the | Lord has acted;* we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

²⁵Hosanna, | Lord, hosanna!* Lord, send us | now success.

²⁶Blessed is he who comes in the name | of the Lord;* we bless you from the house | of the Lord.

²⁷God is the Lord; he has | shined upon us;*

form a procession with branches up to the horns | of the altar.

²⁸"You are my God, and | I will thank you;* you are my God, and I | will exalt you."

²⁹Give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good;* his mercy en- | dures forever.

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Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience, even to death, and his exaltation as Lord of all.

A reading from Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, 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 should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and 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.

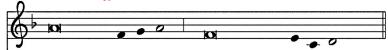
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation sings the Acclamation.



The choir sings the Verse.



Blessed is | he that comes in the name | of the Lord.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



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GOSPEL John 12:12-16

Jesus enters Jerusalem.

- P The holy gospel according to John.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

¹²The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord — the King of Israel!"

¹⁴Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written:

¹⁵"Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.

Look, your king is coming,

sitting on a donkey's colt!"

16His disciples did not understand these things at f

¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- **©** Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

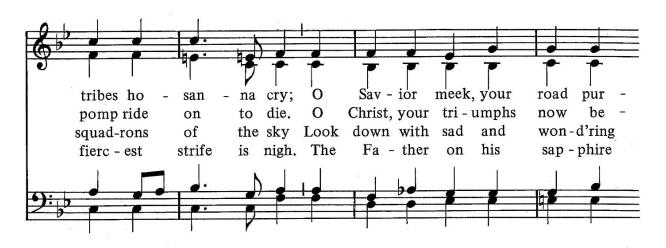
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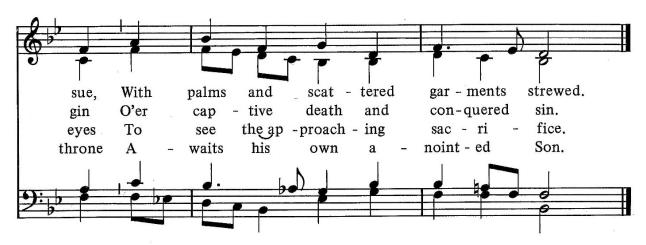
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Later service only:

HYMN OF THE DAY: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty! Printed on the next page.







5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die,Bow your meek head to mortal pain,Then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

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Stand

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

APOSTLES CREED

- P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

- With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace.

 Lord, in your mercy,
- **e** hear our prayer.
- We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples.

 Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones.

 Lord, in your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

PEACE

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

Worshippers do not greet one another. The service continues with the Offertory.

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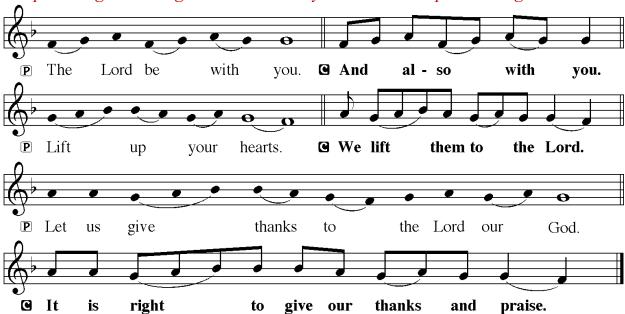
LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.



GREAT THANKSGIVING

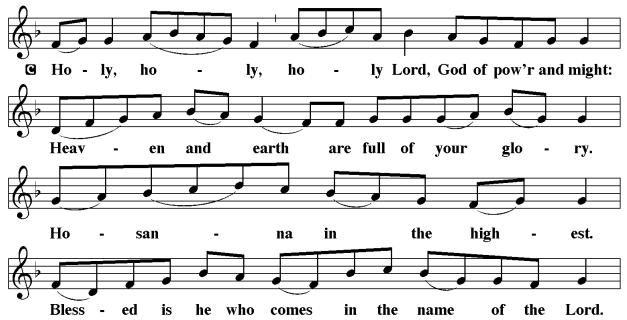
The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:



The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding: ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly sings the SANCTUS:



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The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

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.





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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- Behold the Lamb of God,behold him who takes away the sins of the world.Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Sit COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

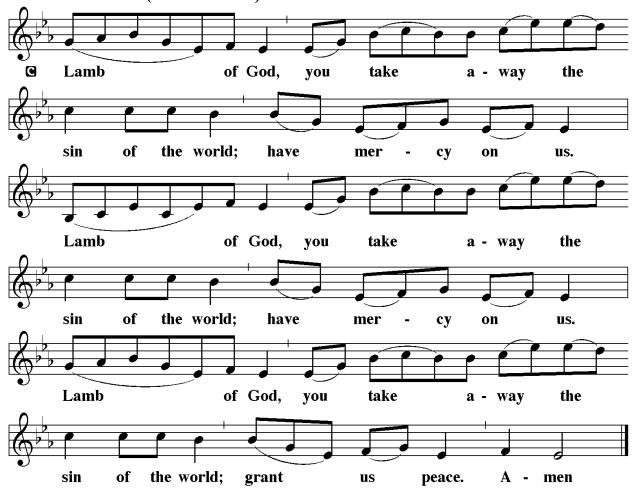
and each person may respond

Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are "truly and substantially" present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

Music during Communion:

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



ANTHEM: A Palm Sunday Jubilation

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The city walls are ringing, the children all are singing, Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing Hosanna!

The palms of praise are waving, the people all are swaying. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing on, shout on, followers of Emmanuel. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

With songs of adoration, sing out the declaration. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing Hosanna!

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Break forth in celebration, proclaim to every nation, Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing on, shout on, followers of Emmanuel. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Come worship and adore him, lay down your hearts before him. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Rejoice, rejoice with singing, set worship bells to ringing, Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Sing on, shout on, followers of Emmanuel. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

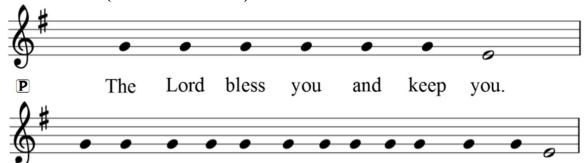
Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

SENDING

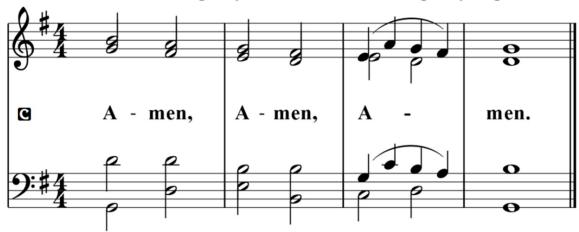
BLESSING (BENEDICTION)



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



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



DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN: Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng!

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Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng!



- 5 Still lift your standard high, still march in firm array, as pilgrims through the darkness wend till dawns the golden day. *Refrain*
- 6 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 7 Praise him who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore. *Refrain*

OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Burkhardt

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The Easter Cycle celebrates the events surrounding our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the Easter Cycle includes the Lenten season, Holy Week, and the Easter Season. This cycle concludes with the Day of Pentecost, as the culmination of the resurrection through the coming of the Holy Spirit to Christ's followers.

The liturgical color scarlet, symbolic of Jesus' blood, is the preferred color for Palm Sunday. Purple, symbolic of our penitence and Jesus' royalty, is the alternate color for Palm Sunday.

The Story of Our Hymns

All glory, laud and honor
Theodulph of Orleans, c. 750-821
Trans. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866
Source: Medieval Hymns, 1851

Bishop Theodulph was imprisoned in 818 for conspiring against King Louis the Pious. This hymn was probably written while in prison, originally in 78 lines which was shortened and translated from the Latin by Neale. It has become the traditional Palm Sunday processional hymn throughout the church.

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Offering Tabulation: Gary Wessner, Matthew Vera, and Frank DePaul

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar</u> are given to the glory of God by James and Sally Lorah in loving memory of son, J. Scott Lorah.

<u>The Palms that Adorn the Altar today</u> are given to the glory of God by Cheryl and Richard Holcombe in memory of loved ones.

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by David and Jeannie Halteman in honor of children, Taylor and Zachary's birthdays.

Egg Appeal Today (Benefits Artman Home): For many years it has been a tradition for Augustus Women/ELCA to support Liberty Lutheran Services, a human services organization, (esp. Artman Home) thru our annual "Egg Appeal". For this "Egg Appeal", Augustus Women/ELCA will collect money at both church worship services today on Palm Sunday, March 24, for Artman Home. Artman Home is a non-profit, faith-based senior living facility located in Ambler, Pa, offering personal care, short-term rehabilitation, skilled nursing and hospice care for over 100 years. Artman was first established in 1916 as a home for poor and deserving Lutherans of all ages and of both sexes. Artman today is known for its endless hospitality and care for its residents, even long after a resident's money runs out. Your donation helps to make this benevolence possible. We are a wonderful church community that works together to achieve a common goal by helping those people in need. All proceeds collected will go directly to Artman Home for their use benefitting its residents. Thank you, in advance, for your contribution. Please make checks payable to "Augustus" Women of the ELCA", and write on the memo line Artman Home.



Pancake Lunch

Sunday, April 7th

After the Late Service

Free (your donation benefits youth ministry)

All are Welcome!

Augustus Lutheran Church, 717 West Main Street, Trappe, PA

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