

# Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 25, 2018



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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### **PROCESSIONAL**

#### **GREETING**

*P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, 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.**

#### **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

*P: The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword,*

**C: piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.**

*P: Let us now come before the Lord and examine our lives in light of God's commandments as we have learned them.*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.*

*P: We confess together.*

**C: Heavenly Father, from Your First Commandment telling us that we are to give You first place in our lives, to the Tenth Commandment telling us to be content with what we have, we have sinned against all of them. With not only our deeds, but also in the thoughts of our minds, the lusts of our eyes, and the desires of our hearts we have broken Your Law. We know from Your Holy Word that You are a God of mercy and forgiveness. We ask for Your forgiveness in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, who paid the penalty for our sin by His precious blood.**

*P: God has told us in His Word, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen. Thanks be to God!**

**COLLECT**

*P: Let us pray. Lord God, on this day Your Son entered the Holy City, Jerusalem, to fulfill Your will by His death on the cross. Help us to follow Him through this week and all our days that we may be drawn closer to You by a faith full of the knowledge of the sacrifice and victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

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

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

**HYMN** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" ..... LSB 442

**All glory, laud, and honor  
To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.  
You are the King of Israel  
And David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming,  
Our King and Blessèd One.**

**All glory, laud, and honor  
To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.  
The company of angels  
Is praising You on high,  
And we with all creation  
In chorus make reply.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 24:7-10, antiphon Psalm 118:26*

*P: Blessèd is He who comes in the name of the LORD!*

**C: We bless You from the house of the LORD.**

*P: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

**C: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

*P: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

**C: Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

*P: Blessèd is He who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.*

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***HYMN*** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" ..... *LSB 442*

**All glory, laud, and honor  
To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.  
The multitude of pilgrims  
With palms before You went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before You we present.**

**All glory, laud, and honor  
To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.  
To You before Your passion  
They sang their hymns of praise;  
To You, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Zechariah 9:9–12*

<sup>9</sup> 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.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*Philippians 2:5–11*

<sup>5</sup> 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.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 11:1-11*

*P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

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

<sup>1</sup> Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of His disciples <sup>2</sup> and said to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’” <sup>4</sup> And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. <sup>5</sup> And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” <sup>6</sup> And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. <sup>7</sup> And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and He sat on it. <sup>8</sup> And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. <sup>9</sup> And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”

<sup>11</sup> And He entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when He had looked around at everything, as it was already late, He went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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

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

**SERMON**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.*

*P: Lord, in Your mercy,*

**C: hear our prayer.**

*P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

**C: Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

**PREFACE**

*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 Him thanks and praise.**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.*

*By His triumphant entry into Jerusalem He reached His goal of His triumphant death that, by the offering of His own body and blood on the cross, all who believe in Him may share His triumph over sin and death.*

*We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us.*

### **THE 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**

#### **PAX DOMINI**

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

**C: Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" ..... LSB 528

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,**

The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of His grace!

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin;  
He sets the pris'ner free.  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood avails for me.

See all your sins on Jesus laid;  
The Lamb of God was slain.  
His soul was once an off'ring made  
For ev'ry soul of man.

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "When You Woke That Thursday Morning" ... *LSB* 445

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

*P: Almighty God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, chose to suffer pain before going up to joy and crucifixion before entering into glory, mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, find this path to be the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**C: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

*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 give you peace.*

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN** "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet" ..... *LSB* 444

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**THIS WEEK AT CLC — (3/25/18 – 4/1/18)**

**Sunday:** Worship/HC, 9:00am; Education Hour, 10:30am

**Thursday:** Maundy Thursday Worship/HC, 6:30pm

**Friday:** Good Friday Worship, 1:00pm & 6:30pm

**Sunday:** Easter Sunday Worship/HC, 6:30am & 9:00am

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending March 18, 2018)**

General & Building Funds: \$9120.00; Blessings: \$15.14; Road Sign: \$140.00

Attendance: Thursday: 57; Sunday: 138

**CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GUESTS AND VISITORS:** We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship and Bible class following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

**NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES** this week.

**NO WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** this week.

**NO BIBLE CLASS** on Easter Sunday.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES** – Maundy Thursday, 6:30pm; Good Friday, 1:00 & 6:30pm; Easter Sunday, 6:30 & 9:00am

**PLANTS & FLOWERS FOR EASTER** may be brought to the church any time during the week. Remember to remove the yellow stamens from any Easter lilies that you are bringing. You might want to call ahead to make sure that you can get in. Thanks!

The April – June **PORTALS OF PRAYER** are located on the little table in the narthex and are yours for the taking!

**SPRING CLEANUP DAY** at church will take place on Saturday, April 28. Mark your calendars!

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WI VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL** is blessed to announce that a Divine Call has been issued to Mr. Scott Huster to be the executive director at The Valley. Mr. Huster is currently serving as the assistant principal at Immanuel Lutheran School in St. Charles, MO. He earned his BA from Concordia University, WI and has his Master's degree in educational leadership from Concordia University, St. Paul. Mr. Huster is a rostered LCMS worker and has his School Leadership Development (SLED) certification. Scott is married to Kathryn Huster. Please keep The Valley and Mr. Huster and his family in your prayers as they consider The Call to serve at WI Valley Lutheran High School.

**THANK YOU** to all who contributed to the pizza sale by ordering, selling, and/or working! We sold 100 more pizzas than last year, and were able to donate \$1209 to Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School and \$1359 to Military Bible Sticks!

**SEROOGY'S LIQUIDATION** – We are in the process of closing down the Serooky's candy fundraiser. All candy bars are being sold for \$1.00 each. Once they're gone, they're gone!

**GROUNDWORK GUATEMALA** has scheduled a mission trip for Feb 9-16, 2019. An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25, at Rib Mountain Lutheran Church. See the bulletin board in the fellowship hall for more details.

**MARCH HUMAN CARE DONATIONS** are going to Greater Wausau Christian Services. We are collecting money for Bibles.

### **“LIFE QUOTES” from Lutherans For Life**

“Moreover, when Christ, the Son of God, was to be conceived in His mother's womb and become incarnate, He certainly had to be already present in essence and in person in the Virgin's womb, and had to assume humanity there.” *Martin Luther (LW 37:62)* – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)