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PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Order of Worship – 7:45 AM & 10:15 AM

AS WE GATHER – *So it all comes down to this. “It all” is the history of our Lord’s incarnation, birth, preaching, teaching, healing, calling disciples, and now, “to this”—Jesus coming to His goal in Jerusalem. This Sunday is so full of meaning that it cannot even be succinctly summarized. The meaning of it all unfolds before us as we spend an entire week, cheering the King at His triumphal entry, then gathering with Him in the suspenseful quiet of the Upper Room, then the garden, then His arrest, then the trials, and ultimately the cheers turn into jeers and He reaches His goal in Jerusalem. He dies. Only knowing who Jesus really is and the reason for His death, only in knowing the purpose of God’s Law can we discover the joy of the Gospel, the good news of the forgiveness of our sins, new birth and new life—eternal life! That spiritual knowledge gives us the stamina to endure this week and the rest of our lives.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC *“Hosanna Fanfare”*

by Ellen Jane Lorenz

HANDBELLS [10:15 AM only]

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

WELCOME [Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[♫ Means please stand; ♪ Means please be seated]

♫ **HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 21:1-11

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.*

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

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵“Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.* C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HANDBELLS [7:45 AM only]

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

[10:15 AM: Children process with palm branches]

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 Is 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 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

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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GREETING

P *The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and 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 & FORGIVENESS

P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

- C **who made heaven and earth.**
P *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

- P *O Almighty God, merciful Father,*
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
P *Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Υ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
C **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P *The Lord be with you.*
C **And also with you.**
P *Let us pray.*

All: Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*
C **And also with you.**
P *Let us share this peace with one another.*
(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 50:4–9a

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- P / L *This is the Word of the Lord.*
C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5–11

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- P / L *This is the Word of the Lord.*
C **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE FOR LENT

Philippians 2:8b

C He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 27:38-66

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-seventh chapter.*

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

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY

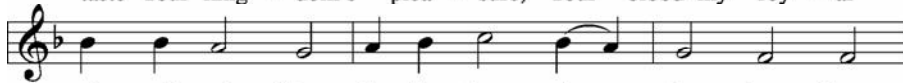
A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The
2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The
3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll
4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the
Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther
bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to
taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes
chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go
Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O
robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -
forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren
won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers
I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the
from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and
up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how
be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in



stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall



yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion.
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

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SERMON

"OUT OF OUR MINDS!"

Philippians 2:5-11

- I. Our natural mind-set is self-centered and selfish.
- II. In Christ, we are given a mind-set of service and sacrifice.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C 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 there 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.

OFFERING / CHORAL SELECTION

"Shouts of Hosanna"

OFFERTORY

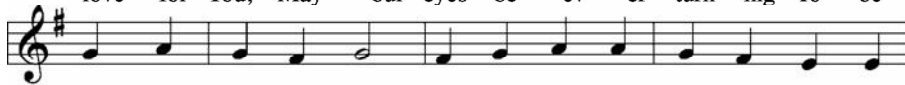
Jesus, Refuge of the Weary



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
 2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
 3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
 pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
 love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
 thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
 hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our

(continued)



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

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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. Almighty God, we give thanks for all Your goodness with which You bless Your whole creation. Above all, we give You thanks that You sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to be our true King, Your Suffering Servant whose death delivers us and all believers from sin, death, and hell. Give us Your grace that we may be faithful in our walk and in our hope, love, and worship. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P *Inspire Your whole Church throughout the world, especially on this day, to rightly hear and follow Jesus, our eternal King and Lord, in humble faith, with thanksgiving. Give wisdom and grace to all pastors, that they may give themselves to a living and lively proclamation of Your Law and Gospel through which You work true, saving repentance and faith in many. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P *Give Your grace and forgiveness, wisdom, blessing, and guidance to all who bear the offices of government in our nation and throughout the world. Lead them to the faithful exercise of their authority for the peace, justice, defense, and liberty of all people, especially the most vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C **hear our prayer.**
- P *Give peace and patience, comfort and healing to all who suffer illness or adversity or who are in sorrow or need, [especially . . .]. Deliver all who endure persecution for faith in Christ. 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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

- P *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- 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.

BENEDICTION

- P *Go with the Suffering Servant who died to make us righteous and gives us new life to rise with Him to eternal life. The blessing of God the Father, the T Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and go with you forever.*
- C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Ride On, Ride On In Majesty

1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
 ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
 fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
 pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to

sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

by David Paxton

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE
KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 AM

April 16: "Empty Tomb Hope!"; Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, LH Speaker

The assurance of Christ's resurrection turns wonder into reality and gives us an eternal hope.
 (Matthew 28:1-10)

WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

- Acolytes 7:45 AM – Noah Wohletz; 10:15 AM – Rhys Tyler
- Altar Guild..... Kelly Clausen, Elsie Leiker, Sharon Milliken
- Counter Rob Hatton
- Elder on Duty..... 7:45 AM – Dave Adam; 10:15 AM – Doug Harder
- Greeters..... 7:45 AM – Renee Williams; 10:15 AM – Lori Williams
- Lay Reader (10:15 AM only).....Lori Williams
- Music Director/Organist Beth Buss
- Special Music (both)..... Christ Choristers & Handbells; Beth Buss, Director
- Ushers 7:45 AM - *Naomi Kettner, Brad Meythaler
 10:15 AM - *Steve Grenz, Pat Marshall, Devin Monasmith, Phil Vandre

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

- Today: **7:45 & 10:15 AM**..... **Worship**
 9:00 AM..... Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes
 10:00 AM..... **Service @ Jewell Care Center**
 11:30 AM..... Worship Committee
- Monday: 8:00 PM..... Guardian Group (AA) / Fellowship Hall
 4-8 PM..... Front Range Stitchers / Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday: 6:00 PM..... Harmony Group / Library
 6:30 PM..... Handbells
 7:30 PM..... Adult Choir
- Thursday: 9:30 AM..... Women's Bible Study / Library
 9:30 AM..... Cottage Bible Study @ Elsie Leiker's
 7:00 PM..... **Maundy Thursday Worship w/Communion**
- Friday: **OFFICES CLOSED**
 7:00 PM..... **Good Friday Worship - Tenebrae**
- Next Sunday: **7:00 AM**..... **Easter Sunrise w/Communion**
 8:30 AM..... **Easter Breakfast**
 9:00 AM..... **Activity for Children**
 10:00 AM..... **Service @ Jewell Care Center**
 10:15 AM..... **Worship w/Communion**
 8:00 PM..... Guardian Group (AA) / Fellowship Hall

ATTENDANCE:

04/02/17: 48 (7:45 AM); 48 (10:15 AM); Communion: 83..... S.S. / A.B.C: 41 (A); 9 (C)

OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Total General Offering Blessings – 03/29/17: Lent V (52)

\$ 566.00

Total General Offering Blessings – 04/02/17	9,356.95
General Fund	6,725.00
Loose Plate	63.00
E.C.C. Tuition	2,538.95
Bible Classes	30.00

OFFERINGS FOR OTHER SOURCES: (3/29) ECC Chapel (Cameron Abbey): \$9.41, Lenten

Dinner/Property (Repairs): \$158.60; (04/02) Fellowship: \$20

OFFERINGS FROM OTHER SOURCES: (3/29) Facility Use/Racine Family: \$50

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