

Immanuel Lutheran Church

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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins, or call during the week.



WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand and face the back of the Sanctuary...

OPENING SENTENCES

- **P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David.
- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.
- P Let us pray: in Your mercy come to our assistance, O God of our salvation,
- C that we may enter this Holy Week with joy as we contemplate the mighty acts through which You have given us eternal life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

John 12:12-19

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.
- P The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³ So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,

- "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"
- P ¹⁴ And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,
- L 15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"
- P ¹⁶ His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. ¹⁷ The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸ The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹ So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS – *Please raise you palm branches*

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P We praise and thank You for redeeming us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Today we recall that He entered the city of Jerusalem in triumph and was acknowledged as the Son of David and the King of kings by those who scattered their coats and their palm branches in His path.
- We ask now that You bless these palm branches and bless us who carry them that they may remind us that Jesus is King and Lord of our lives and that we may follow with full and fervent faith. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- **P** Let us go forth in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the King of Kings.



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 Blessed One.

The company of angels Is praising You on high, And we with all creation In chorus make reply. The multitude of pilgrims With palms before You went; Our praise and prayer and anthems Before You we present.

> To You before Your Passion They sang their hymns of praise; To You, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King.

> > All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

- **P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.

INTROIT

- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
- **C** We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- P Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
- C This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
- P I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- **C** The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- **P** This is the Lord's doing;
- C it is marvelous in our eyes.
- P This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- C Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!
- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
- **C** We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- P The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.
- © Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!
- P You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.
- Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
- P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
- **C** We bless you from the house of the Lord.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

L The Old Testament Reading for Palm Sunday is from Zechariah, chapter nine.

⁹Rejoice 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. ¹⁰I 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. 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.

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

CHOIR ANTHEM – "He Is the King of Glory!"

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

L The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter two.

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

GRADUAL

Oh, come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

PASSION READING

Mark 15:1-47

- L The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, the fifteenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.
- L And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. ² And Pilate asked him,

Pilate: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus: "You have said so."

- L ³And the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ And Pilate again asked him,
 - **Pilate:** "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you."
- E ⁵But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. ⁶Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. ⁷And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. ⁸And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. ⁹And he answered them, saying,

Pilate: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

■ ¹⁰For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. ¹²And Pilate again said to them,

Pilate: "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

- L ¹³And they cried out again,
- C "Crucify him."

Pilate: "Why? What evil has he done?"

- **L** But they shouted all the more,
- C "Crucify him."

L ¹⁵So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. ¹⁶ And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to salute him,

C "Hail, King of the Jews!"

- L ¹⁹And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. ²⁰And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him. ²¹And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²²And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵And it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying,
- **C** "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!"
- L ³¹So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying,
- **G** "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe."
- **L** Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

Please stand...

L ³³And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴ And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice,

Jesus: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

- L which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵ And some of the bystanders hearing it said,
- **C** "Behold, he is calling Elijah."
- (L) ³⁶And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying,

Man: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

L ³⁷And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

Centurion: "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

- IL ⁴⁰There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem. ⁴²And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, ⁴³Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. ⁴⁵And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. ⁴⁶And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.
- **L** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

THE 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.

Please be seated...

HYMN "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"

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SERMON

HYMN

"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

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OFFERING

Please stand...

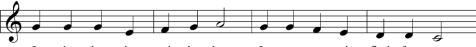
OFFERTORY - "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev-er may Your work e-rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je-sus, cru-ci-fied for me



Is my life, my hope's foun-da-tion, And my glo-ry and sal-va - tion!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the hospitalized this week: none known.

We pray for the family and friends of those who died: Bill Burow

We pray for strength and healing for: Jo Van Hoveln, Rachel McCloskey, Leslie Van Camp Stone, Del Krueger, Margie Souza, Randy Wilkinson, Dan Rull, Darlene Collins, Paul Teegarden, Earl Lackey, Dan Burmeister, Richard Wahlfeldt, Heather Christensen, Martha Elliott, Angie Lucas, Charlotte Schendel, Walter Harbison, Mike Borgwald, Jim Souza, Joyce Owens, Linda Grinestaff, Carole Schuldt Jason Toms, Gabby Reynolds, Bob and Ev Komm, Rodger Burgin, Toby Ceader, Sarah Koester, Tom Reese, Bernice Timmermann, Dottie Kliner, Mary Seifrig, Bruce Garrison, Carol Schafer, Jocelyn, Myra Greazer, Gene Bahls, Tamara Fisher, Marilina Hutchison, Sarah and Patty Calderon, Heather Bladel and family, Keri Blankenbeckler, Jason Dawson, Judy Berg, Linda Borgwald, Eric Wittmann, Cindy DeMoss, Kathy Howey, and Frank Hutnicke.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



CLOSING COLLECT

This Sunday is so full of meaning that it cannot be concisely 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 – the forgiveness of our sins – gives us the stamina to endure this week and the rest of our lives.

P Let us pray:

Father, who gave His Son, You sent Your Son to ride into Jerusalem, to be betrayed, to suffer, to die, and to rise. Grant that we remember the events of Your Son's Passion so that we may give You thanks for our redemption and share the story of Your saving work; 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 Go with the Suffering Servant who died to make us righteous and gives us new life to rise with Him to eternal life.

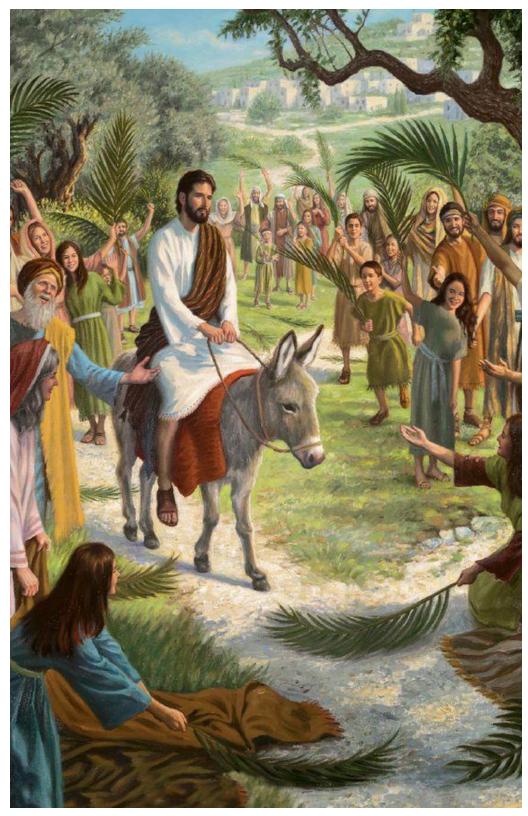
The blessing of almighty God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit – be upon you and go with you forever.

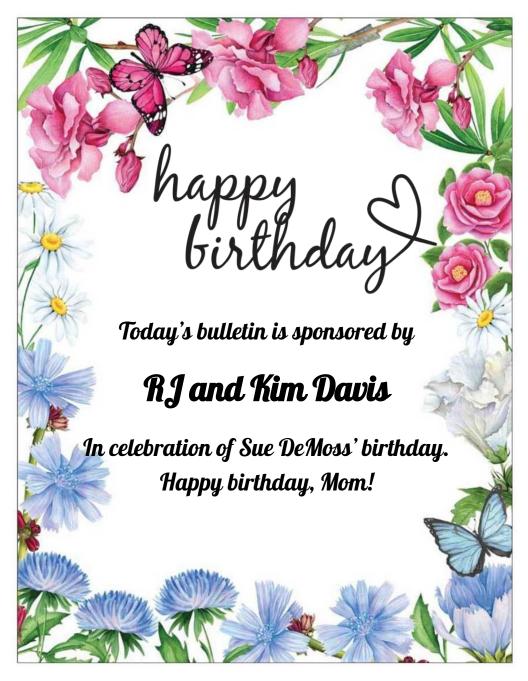
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

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