



PALM SUNDAY 2022

The Lutheran Church with School of Messiah

Today is Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, the holiest week in the Church Year

Preaching and teaching the Truth to His expanding Kingdom, reaching out to all!

**In View of God's Mercy
A Series of Services for Holy Week**

**Palm Sunday: Mercy in Palms
April 10, 2022**

Order of Service

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!" John 12:13
Invocation and Call to Worship

Announcements

Sharing of Christ's Peace

Call to Worship

P The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

P With palm branches in hand, we greet the One who comes to save us from our sin.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P With raised voices, we glorify the Messiah who comes humbly riding on a donkey.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P With jubilant song, we worship the King who comes to rule in righteousness and peace.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P With penitent hearts, we repent before the Lord who is holy and just.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P With soaring spirits, we rejoice in the God of our salvation.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king comes to you sitting on a donkey's colt.

C Amen.

Opening Hymn: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna *LSB 443*

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,
 The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple
 The lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
 Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises,
 The simplest and the best.

2 From Olivet they followed
 Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving
 And chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven
 Rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children
 Should on His bidding wait.

3 "Hosanna in the highest!"
 That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer,
 The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him
 With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
 Eternally rejoice!

Confession and Forgiveness

P On Palm Sunday the crowds welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem with the cry of “Hosanna!” But on Friday they called out for his execution, shouting “Crucify him!” So also our sin has led to Christ’s crucifixion. We repent of that sin, and we seek God’s mercy to absolve our iniquity.

C **Most merciful God, we have sinned much and are in need of your salvation. We cry to you “Hosanna, save us!” We ask you not to remember our evil but instead to forgive our transgression. For the sake of your humble servant, Jesus Christ, pardon us and restore us in righteousness. Renew our spirits so that we walk in obedience to your Word, to the glory of your holy name.**

P We cry to you for mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, God’s mercy is greater.)

P Hear the good news! God’s Word declares: “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Behold, your king comes to you; righteous and having salvation is he” (Zechariah 9:9). In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son Jesus was given to die for you. For Christ’s sake God forgives you all your sins and gives you his righteousness, making you holy in his sight and giving you salvation. His mercy endures forever because his love for you is steadfast.

C **Amen.**

Introit

Ps. 24:7–10; antiphon: Ps. 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*

We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

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

Who is this King of | glory?*

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of | glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!*
We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

Prayer of the Day

P 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.

Children's Sermon

Scripture Readings

The Old Testament Reading, Zechariah 9:9-12

P 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. 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. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Epistle Reading, 2 Corinthians 2:14-17

P But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word, but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

The Gospel Reading, John 12:12-19

P The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 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!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

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. 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. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Apostles' Creed *LSB 207*

**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 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 T everlasting. Amen.**

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor *LSB 442*

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

1 You are the King of Israel
 And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
 Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain

2 The company of angels
 Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation
 In chorus make reply. Refrain

3 The multitude of pilgrims
 With palms before You went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
 Before You we present. Refrain

4 To You before Your passion
 They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted,
 Our melody we raise. Refrain

5 As You received their praises,
 Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing,
 Our good and gracious King. Refrain

Sermon

Dedication of Window Artwork

P Beloved in the Lord, in His great love for us the eternal God has taken on human flesh and joined Himself to His own creation. Heaven and earth are now filled with His glory as He uses the things of this world to bring us His blessing. “He has made everything beautiful in its time” so that we may behold the beauty fo the Lord and inquire in His holy temple. (*Ecclesiastes 3:11; Psalm 27:4*)

It is fitting, then, that this artwork be sanctified by Word and prayer for use in the Lord’s house.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **Who made heaven and earth.**

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

P Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, Your Son is the express image of Your glory so that when we behold Him, we contemplate Your unending mercy. Bless and sanctify this artwork, which is offered in honor of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant that all who behold it may, by Your grace, be strengthened in the try faith and worship You with a steadfast heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this artwork and those who behold it.

C **Amen.**

Prayers

P Almighty and merciful God, we approach your throne of grace today as your loyal subjects.

C Lord, have mercy.

P You summon us to humility, even as you came humbly riding on a donkey, so guide us to walk humbly before you and one another.

C Lord, have mercy.

P You summon us to worship, even as the children sang hosannas to you, so fill us with your Spirit to worship you in spirit and in truth.

C Lord, have mercy.

P You summon us to fidelity. Even as you set your face for Jerusalem and the cross, so give us faith to take up our cross and follow you.

C Lord, have mercy.

P You summon us to sacrifice. Even as you offered your life as the ultimate sacrifice for sin, so give us courage to present our bodies as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable to you.

C Lord, have mercy.

P In view of your mercy, move us by your Spirit to submit to your rule and live under your reign.

C Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!

P For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 208*

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.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your

boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 208*

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer *LSB 209*

**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.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini *LSB 209*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 210*

C **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,**

You take the sin of the world away;

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,

Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world away;

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,

And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

What Wondrous Love Is This *LSB 543*

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this

That caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down

Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

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Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus *LSB 531*

1 Hail, Thou once despised Jesus!
Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Savior,
Bearer of our sin and shame!
By Thy merit we find favor:
Life is given through Thy name.

2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
All our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven

Through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of heaven,
Reconciled are we with God.

3 Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory,
There forever to abide;
All the heav'nly hosts adore Thee,
Seated at Thy Father's side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading;
There Thou dost our place prepare,
Ever for us interceding
Till in glory we appear.

4 Worship, honor, pow'r, and blessing
Thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing,
Right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
All your noblest anthems raise;
Help to sing our Savior's merits,
Help to chant Immanuel's praise!

642 O Living Bread from Heaven

1 O living Bread from heaven,
How well You feed your guest!
The gifts that You have given
Have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
Oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
With praises overflows.

2 My Lord, You here have led me
To this most holy place

And with Yourself have fed me
The treasures of Your grace;
For You have freely given
What earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven,
That now I shall not die.

3 You gave me all I wanted;
This food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted
The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
The favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit
Bow down before Your throne.

4 Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow.

Stand

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 211*

**C O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,**

**The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray. ...

C **Amen.**

Benediction

P May the merciful God, who sent his Son to be Savior of the world, direct you to follow him as King in faith and faithfulness, through Jesus Christ to whom be the glory forever.

C **Amen.**

441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne
Awaits His own anointed Son.

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

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**Those Serving in The Worship Service
April 10th, 2022**

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker
Organist	David Fenske
Acolyte	Ken and Shyloh Dimmick
Elders	Peter Chaney, John O'Connor
Ushers	Otto Ratz, Dale Ryden, Wade Schultz, Ken Currey
Greeters	June Johnson and Beth Weber
Videographer	Chris Hayes
Handbells	Chris Lofton, Brittany Markert, Dona Ramsey, Jeremy Skoog, Karen Skoog, Jan Weich and Jan Wilke

Calendar for the Week of April 10, 2022

Sunday	8:00am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00am	Facebook Live
	10:30am	Bible Study-Revelation/Sunday School/Facebook Live
Monday	1:30pm	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Staff Meeting
	5:30pm	Board of Finance
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	4:00pm	Jr. High Youth
	5:30pm	Sr. High Youth
	7:00pm	Church Council (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	8:00am	WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE
	9:30am	NO WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS
	6:30pm	Handbell Rehearsal
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Thursday	10:30am	NO THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY-Lynn Jolley
	5:00pm	First Communion
	6:30pm	Handbells Ring
	7:00pm	Church Service
Good Friday	12:00 Noon	Church Service
	7:00pm	Church Service
Easter Sunday	6:00am	Sunrise Service
	7:30am	Easter Breakfast
	9:00am	Easter Worship Service--Handbells

Announcements

Donations Sought to cover rising gas costs for the 7/8th grades class trip. We plan to drive the van to and from Colorado Springs. Where we will be touring The Gardens of the Gods, the zoo, hiking, and swimming.

Gas Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated. Thank you - Kathy Reed

Mission Trip Debrief: Hello Everyone! Thank you all for your prayers for Christian Challenge's. Juarez mission trip. This was an incredible way to get a taste of what mission work can be and was an amazing chance to experience another culture while serving the body of the Church! This was not a one-time opportunity! There will be more trips to Juarez in the future, so keep an eye in the announcements for information regarding that! - Christopher Hayes

YARD SALE - Spring is here! While you are doing your Spring sorting/purging and cleaning, put out a box to collect things for our annual yard sale. You can begin bringing your items in to the gym on May 23rd. The sale will be July 14-16.

BIKE-A-THON - A Preschool Fundraiser for Unit (Theme) & Religious Curriculum Thursday, April 14th 9 -10:30 am in our parking lot. How can YOU help? Please consider donating to our only fundraiser of the year! Any amount helps! Donations will be matched 100%! When donating, specify "Preschool Fundraiser" God's Blessings! Layla Stone & Erin Ratliff

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- We are once again fundraising to add monies for our Scholarship Program. If you would like to donate, please write "scholarship" on the memo line on paper or online check. Thank you!

SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED FOR THE NEXT YEAR - We are in need of a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of a Christian who would be able to teach 10 hours a week in the afternoons, please have them contact Karen Mead. Please keep your ear to the ground and help us discover who God has set aside for us.

March Income-

Week of March 23 rd - 29 th	\$26,637.58
Weekly need	\$20,411.00
Month to date	\$26,637.58
Monthly need	\$81,642.00

COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS needed for 2022! Please consider serving our Lord and your church by volunteering to help with communion. Sign up in the narthex on the bulletin board. If you need to be trained or have questions, please contact Laura Ryden at (970) 260-6766.

PRAYER REQUESTS- *"But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you," (Matt. 6:6).* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS- Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY- Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

OUR CHURCH IS DOING A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY! - Thank you! for making your appointments on-line and through the church office. There are **NO** more appointments available. For an in person-picture or to provide a picture, please contact the church office. We want everyone to be in our new directory. **IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!** During the photo shoot, we will need greeters. Please see Beth Weber, as well, to volunteer to be a Pictorial Directory greeter.