

PALM SUNDAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

AS WE GATHER

Today's processional Gospel looks at the first day of Holy Week, and the Passion carries us on to Jesus' tomb. Throughout the entire week, and since His transfiguration, our Lord has moved toward the cross step by step. Despite opposition from crowds and His circle of friends, He has been determined to love us to death so that He might open heaven to us by the grace of God. Zechariah had written about the procession centuries earlier, and Paul proclaims that God the Father has exalted Jesus for His steadfast commitment to our salvation. But this is no mere history! We also are called to follow, to live through each day, step by step, faithful under various circumstances yet confident of mercy, grace, and forgiveness.

Procession Of Palms

The congregation stands and faces the entrance to the nave.

GREETING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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

C Hosanna to the Son of David.

PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Help us, Lord our God, so that it may be with joy that we begin our contemplation of all the mighty things You have done to give us eternal life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:12–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

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.”

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

OPENING SENTENCES

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

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, heavenly Father. Today we especially thank You for the love You showed as Your Son redeemed us. Step by step our Savior followed Your will so that by His glorious death He would redeem us and draw us to Himself. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, those who greeted Him cut palm branches to lay before Him.

C **We ask that You bless these palms and all who bear them this day. Grant that we may always hail Him as our Lord and King;**

P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #442

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

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.

Text: Theodulf of Orléans, c. 762-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt. Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635, alt.

When all have arrived at their places, the procession concludes with the following:

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

C Hosanna in the highest.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Today is the beginning of Holy Week. During it we shall recall how our Savior gave His life so that our sins may all be forgiven, and heaven opened to us.

C Even during worship, our minds wander to other concerns.

P These concerns are already known to God. Give them into His loving hands for resolution, but turn your hearts and minds to focus on our Lord's step-by-step determination to free us from every sin. Confident of the forgiveness He won through His glorious death and resurrection, let us then admit our sinful condition to Him and to one another.

C I confess to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in my thinking, speaking, and acting. I am mired in sin and incapable of saving myself. Heavenly Father, for Jesus' sake and because of His sacrifice for us fallen creatures, we beg

You to forgive, strengthen, and turn us to Your will so that we may follow our Savior in loving service to You and to one another.

P As a called and ordained servant of Christ, who gave Himself over to death that we might have eternal life, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT FOR PALM SUNDAY *Ps 24:7–10; antiphon: Ps 118:26*

P Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

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

P Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

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

P Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

C **Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

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SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

C **Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection;**

P 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

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C

Zechariah 9:9–12

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C

Philippians 2:5–11

Thanks be to God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR

Hosanna, Hosanna, King of Kings

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Stand

VERSE

Philippians 2:8b

P He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,

C even death on a cross.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifteenth chapter.

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN #441

"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
 fier - 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.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt. Tune: Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien, 1690, Hamburg, alt.

APOSTLES' 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 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.

OFFERING

(Please sign the attendance register during the offering. It is in a burgundy folder in your pew. You can help the ushers by tearing out the sheet and leaving it sticking out of the folder after everyone has signed.

On Saturday, the offering basket & attendance register are on the table in the entry.)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Because our Lord humbled Himself and became obedient even to death on the cross, now He is highly exalted, at the Father's right hand, ready and able to receive our prayers and accept our praise. Let us go to Him in prayer for all people in their various circumstances.

For people without the necessities of food, clothing, and shelter, that the Holy Spirit would hear their cries and groans, bringing tears of relief and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, hear our prayer.

P For all who face this day burdened with illness or addiction, ongoing conflict with people around them, or fear of what might happen, that God would assure them of His gracious presence and strengthen their faith in His guidance and protection, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, hear our prayer.

P For those who serve the needs of others as they provide medical and emergency care, as they maintain order in our communities and peace across borders, and as they put themselves in danger that their neighbors may find the protection they need, that God would use the gifts He has placed within them to serve in compassion and love, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P For loving families and caring communities, for schools and institutions of higher learning, wherever people gather to share and build up, that God would provide them the wisdom and understanding they need to do His will, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P For people near and dear to us, [*especially . . .*], that God would visit, relieve, and console them in His grace and mercy, and for the church here and around the world, that our Lord would strengthen our faith and move us to be His servants, drawing people to His glorious death and resurrection and serving Him with all that we are and have, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

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.**

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 #525

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
 Whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won Which now His brow a - dorn:
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won - drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match - less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
 down - ward bend their won - d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

Text (sts. 1-3, 5): Matthew Bridges, 1800-94, alt.; (st. 4): Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903 Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816-93

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

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INFORMATION FOR YOU

From Our Library: Thank you to everyone who supported the donation booksale! **FEATURE BOOK:** The Vision of His Glory by Ann Graham Lotz. Has your life taken an unexpected turn? Faced tragedy? Is there hope? Revelations by Apostle John answers with a resounding YES. Ann will guide you to a new understanding. Code: Blue 228'.06

Do you like to do jigsaw puzzles? Need a puzzle for the snowstorm? Drop off or pick up a puzzle at the puzzle cabinet in the library.

Next Sunday's Lutheran Hour program is "Eucatastrophe" with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The top three best-selling books all present visions of hope, but how they hope to achieve it is a much different story. (Mk 16)

Watch Main Street Living on TV, a service led by local LCMS pastors. See it Sundays on Ch 15 KVRR Fargo (Ch 10 on Arvig) at 9 am, on Ch 29 WFTC at 9:30 am from the Cities (including on DISH if you have the Twin Cities stations or on Selective TV 9.2) or at mainstreetliving.com anytime. District Pres. Steven Turner, Iowa West, preaches on March 31.

Pick up info at the counter on the seminary walkout 50 years ago.

Check out our new website at immanuelparkersprairie.com.

Stop at the office to get a campership code for Lutheran Island Camp good for \$300 for a week camp or \$125 for a weekend camp.

Lutheran Island Camp is looking for male counselors, junior counselors and maintenance assistants. Go to islandcamp.org/employment to apply.

VBS will be June 9-13 in the evening. Save the dates!

Want to give electronically? Download the Vanco mobile faith engagement app, then search for Immanuel Lutheran Church and scroll to our church. You can also make a text gift by texting \$xx (the amount) to 844-330-1376. Or you can give through the church website.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Attend 3-13	84	Offering	\$1,078.00
TIM	\$10.00		
Attend 3-16	11	Communed	9
Attend 3-17	118		
Offering	\$2,727.00	Home Use	\$75.00
Total	\$2,802.00		
Offerings for March			\$14,284.00
Offerings Needed each Month			\$21,848.00
Sunday School Attend	23	Offering	\$10.00
TIM Goal: \$3,000		Receipts:	\$994.00

INFORMATION FOR TODAY

Who can I tell about Jesus, the True Prince?

Children's bulletins are available at the bulletin shelf.

ACT brunch and silent auction is today. Come and enjoy egg bake, fresh fruit and more for a freewill offering to support our youth! Thank you to the Winters for donating a week at WinterHaven Resort! There are lots of awesome and fun silent auction items. Bids close at 11:15 am.

Pick up a new Portals of Prayer for your daily devotions.

Please sign up at the narthex counter to serve coffee after worship.

Tanya Schlamann, wife of our former Vicar Mark Schlamann recently received a double lung transplant at Mayo. They will need to stay in Rochester for 3 months before returning to Utah. We will be collecting a love offering for them through Easter. Designate a gift for Schlamanns!

LWML has Easter cards for sale on the cabinet outside the office.

Come and enjoy a light breakfast next Sunday after the Sunrise Service or before the 9 AM service, served by our youth.

Thrivent Choice Dollars from 2023 need to be designated by March 31!

Thrivent members: Sign up at the narthex counter for a project. If you have Thrivent and would like help, contact the church office.

PPHS Dessert Concert is here March 25 or April 7 depending on weather.

LWML is collecting food for the Parkers Prairie Food Shelf until April 19.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the bathroom remodel project to fully fund this project! We are now seeking funds to repaint the sanctuary. \$4,900 is needed. Designate a gift to the trustee fund.

Spring Quilt/Craft Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp is April 17-21. Come for all or part of the time and work on your projects in peace.

Women's Weekend at Lutheran Island Camp is April 26-28 with Stacy Lung as speaker. Call Camp at 218-583-2905 to register.

Pick up a letter with important legislative information at the counter.

ACT Envelope Fundraiser is taking place now. Take an envelope and support our youth. Thank you to all who have donated!

JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday Last Supper Tableau March 28, 7 PM

Good Friday Tenebrae March 29, 2 PM & 7 PM

Easter Vigil with Baptism and Candlelight March 30, 7 PM

Easter Sunrise led by ACT Youth March 31, 7 AM

Easter Celebration with Holy Communion March 31 9 AM