

PALM SUNDAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

FROM PALMS TO PASSION: JESUS FOR YOU

AS WE GATHER

Today we are brought to the threshold of Holy Week. This was the day the Jewish people chose the Passover Lamb. How quickly things can change in a week! On this Palm Sunday, we see Jesus enter Jerusalem with palms, a symbol of victory, strewn in the road and being waved. Yet it was from that entry that Jesus went to show His true love—His passion—by dying on the cross on Friday. That death showed His love for you. By faith, we believe what Jesus did was for us. Everything about us—our sin, our eternal destination—changed that week because Jesus took the road from palms to passion. Receive what Jesus did for you by faith, knowing your home in heaven was paid for with the King’s ransom—His own blood.

✠ PROCESSION OF PALMS ✠

The congregation stands and faces the entrance to the nave.

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P Hosanna!

C Hosanna to the Son of David!

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

C Hosanna in the highest!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P We confess before You, Lord, that we have sinned against You.

C We have sinned not only against You but one another, with what we have thought, what we have said, and by what we have or have not done.

P We unseat You and put ourselves on the throne that belongs only to You.

C Our pride in these and all sins deserves Your punishment, yet today we approach Your throne of grace, asking for Your mercy.

P So I ask you now: are you sincere in this, your confession before God, and promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? If so, answer, “Yes, with the help of God.”

C Yes, with the help of God.

P Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday to show His love for you at the cross. At the cross, He showed His passion for you by dying for your sins and paying the price we could not pay. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen! Thank You, Lord, for Your passion for us.

COLLECT

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

PROCESSIONAL 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.

P Let us go forth in peace,
C in the name of the Lord.

HYMN #442

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"



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,



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.

INTROIT

P Blessed 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,

C that the King of glory may come in.

P Who is this King of glory?

C The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,

C that the King of glory may come in.

P Who is this King of glory?

C The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

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

C We bless You from the house of the Lord.

GREETING

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

C Hosanna in the highest!

✠ WORD ✠

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. 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

V This is the Word of the Lord.

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 118:19–29

V 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. I thank You that You have answered me and have become my salvation.**

V The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

C **This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

V 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!**

V Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.

C **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!**

V You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;

C You are my God; I will extol You.

V Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

C for His steadfast love endures forever!

EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5–11

V This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR Hosanna, Hosanna, King of Kings

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

VERSE

Philippians 2:8b

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

C even death on a cross.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 23

V The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

V 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
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.

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

SERMON “From Palms To Passion: Jesus For You” Luke 23

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- V** Almighty God, King of the universe, we come before You
humbly asking that You would hear our prayers and answer them
according to Your will.
We bow before You and give unto You our worship and praise.
- C** We worship You not because we love You, but You loved us
first and gave the King’s ransom to pay our sin’s debt.
Thank You, Jesus, for loving us so much.
- V** We thank You for the working of the Holy Spirit in our hearts
and lives both to bring us to faith and keep us in the faith.
- C** Continue to open the eyes of our hearts and those around us,
that we might see Your entry with palms for what it really
was—Your passion to save us.
- V** As we near the day of Your return, we see a world in turmoil.

- C** Help us, Prince of Peace, amid all the chaos, to keep our eyes fixed on You.
- V** You are a benevolent King, known to grant requests.
- C** While You walked this earth, You granted the requests of the blind, the lame, the deaf, and even the widow at Nain, who did not ask You for anything, and You raised her son back to life.
- V** We lift up those who are sick and those who are suffering, *[including . . .]* and all in any need.
- C** Be with them, ease their pain, and bring relief from sicknesses through doctors, nurses, medicines, and miracles to accomplish Your will in their lives.
- V** We pray up your servant Jurlienne who celebrates 90 years of life.
- C** We pray that you would continue to bless her in body and soul.
- V** You tell us in Your Word to remember those in authority. We lift up those who hold seats of power.
- C** For rulers in all places, high and low, north, south, east, and west, we ask that Your Spirit would guide them and Satan's power be thwarted in all places.
- V** For Your church in all places, that the Gospel would be powerfully proclaimed this week, and the Holy Spirit stir faith in the hearts of many,
- C** use us according to Your will, that others may see the life of Jesus in us.
- V** Before Your throne, almighty King, we lift these and all petitions of our hearts, trusting You will answer all according to Your will.
- C** We pray in the name of Jesus, who with the Father and Holy Spirit is one God, now and forever. 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

Numbers 6:23–26

P Your King cares for you! Receive His blessing through the words of the Aaronic benediction, by which He said, “Thus you shall bless the people.” Receive that benediction, your King’s blessing:

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 #443

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav’n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joyce!

Text: Jeannette Threlfall, 1821–80, alt. Tune: Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, 1784, Württemberg

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PALM SUNDAY April 13, 2025

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WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

A warm welcome to our friends and visitors this day! Thanks for joining us at church or online. If you are looking for a church home, please talk to Pastor Lee. We hope you will join us again!

WORSHIP PREP

Today is Palm Sunday. We celebrate the day that Jesus entered into Jerusalem riding on a donkey as people waved palm branches. He came while fully knowing what lay ahead for Him that week. From Palms to Passion, Jesus came for you.

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Order of Service Printed
Hymns: 442, 441, 443
Sermon: "From Palms to Passion: Jesus For You" Luke 23
Sunday School Choir: Hosanna, Hosanna, King of Kings
Organist: Saturday: Gloria Hollatz Sunday: Maureen Diedrich

PARISH PRAYERS

God's healing for Dennis Karger, Kris Rathcke, Beth Wilde, Bruce Wiitanen, Mary Springer, Deb Marquard, Ken Riedel, Gene Payne, Ivy McKane, Westie Revering, Al Riedel, Lois Zimmerman, Mike McDaniel, Steph Wilde, Joan Drevlow, Kevin Scott, Ed Bridwell (uncle M. Wilde), Elaine Springer, Alan Westad (fa K. Pexsa), Naomi Lahman, Jackson Drum, Lois Boehne, Millie Helmricks (fr of J. Malmgren) and Kathy Hawes.

God bless Jurlienne Riedel (4/14) on her 90th birthday.

We ask God to bless our Holy Week services and all who come to hear His Word.

THIS WEEK

Saturday, April 12

7:00 PM

Worship, Friendship Service

Sunday, April 13

9:00 AM

Friendship Sunday Worship, also Livestreamed

10:00 AM

ACT Brunch & Silent Auction

NO

Sunday School

2-4:00 PM

Jurlienne Riedel 90th Birthday Open House

7:00 PM

Service on Cable Ch 14

Monday, April 14

6:00 PM

Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, April 15

9:00 AM

Bible Breakfast

Wednesday, April 16

3:30 PM

6th Grade Confirmation

6:00 PM

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation

6:30 PM

ACT Class

Thursday, April 17

11:00 AM

St William's Living Center Communion

7:00 PM

Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, April 18

2:00 PM

Good Friday Tenebrae

7:00 PM

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Saturday, April 19

7:00 PM

Easter Vigil Worship w/ Baptism & Communion

Sunday, April 20

7:00 AM

Easter Sunrise Worship led by ACT

8:00 AM

ACT Light Breakfast

9:00 AM

Easter Celebration w/Communion, also

Livestreamed

2:00 PM

St William's Service (Vicar Joe)

7:00 PM

Service on Cable Ch 14

WORSHIP HELPERS

April 12: Evangelism Board and Nolan Wendland. April 13: Evangelism Board and Aaron Vogt. April 17 (Thurs 7 PM): Dave & Peggy Winter, Don & Lois Sjobeck and Alex Castro. April 18 (Fri 2 PM): Dennis & JoAnn Stende, Cheryl Scott and Ryker Springer. April 18 (Fri 7 PM): Greg & Amy Riedel, Josh & Brittany Rud and Gage Rud. April 19: Jacqui Neitzert and Tannen Stephan. April 20 (7 AM): ACT, Dave & Julie O'Brien and Kaitlyn O'Brien. April 20 (9 AM): Kevin & Sherry Wendt, Ray & Kathy Caauwe and Annabelle Koehn.

INFORMATION FOR YOU

From Our Library: Feature DVD: The Chosen - Season Four. It is 3 DVDs with 8 episodes and runs for 552 min. Code: Chosen 4.

Next Sunday's Lutheran Hour is "A Risen Christ and a Clean Room" with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The risen Christ has folded Death up and put it in its place. Now Christ invites you to trust in Him and find place and purpose in His new creation. (John 20:5-7)

Watch Main Street Living on TV, a service led by local LCMS pastors. See it Sundays on Ch 15 KVRN 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. Pres. Scott Sailer, SD District, Sioux Falls, preaches April 20.

LWML is collecting personal care and hygiene products for Someplace Safe until April 27. A list of items is on the box under the coat racks.

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.

An application has been submitted with Trinity, Carlos, for a vicar for the 2025-2026 academic year. Please keep the placement process for pastors and vicars in your prayers.

Consider an offering to the Trustee Fund. We will be painting the exterior of the church, replacing the kitchen floor and installing a railing on the west side of the church.

Do you like to pray for others? Join the prayer chain. Contact Pastor.

Church Council will meet April 29 at 7 PM.

Confirmation Questioning Service will be April 30 at 7 PM.

Quarterly Voters Meeting will be May 4 at 10:30 AM.

Save the date: Alex Circuit TIM Fishing Tourney and Fish Fry is June 14.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Attend 4-3	51	Offering	\$278.00
Home Use	\$50.00		
Attend 4-5	13	Communed	11
Attend 4-6	94	Communed	79
Offering	\$5,561.00	Home Use	\$150.00
Total	\$6,039.00		
Offerings for April			\$6,039.00
Offerings Needed each Month			\$23,009.00
Sunday School Attend	33	Offering	\$13.00
TIM Goal:	\$3,000	Receipts:	\$430.00

OUR MISSION:

Empowered by God's Word; we know, love and share Jesus Christ.

INFORMATION FOR TODAY

Who can I invite to come to Holy Week services with me?

ACT Freewill Egg bake, Muffin & Fruit Brunch and Silent Auction is today until 11:15 AM.

Please check your directory information at the table by the elevator.

Portals of Prayer for April – June are available at the narthex counter.

Zion, Alexandria is presenting a Passion Drama today from 12-4. It is a 10-minute walk-through drama of Jesus' last days on earth.

Jurlienne Riedel 90th Birthday dessert buffet open house is today from 2-4 PM. Everyone is welcome.

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

Sunday School end of the year picnic will be April 27. We will grill hamburgers and hotdogs. Last names beginning A-M are asked to bring a side dish and N-Z cookies or bars.

LWML Alexandria Zone Spring Rally is April 27 at Good Shepherd, Alexandria. Registration begins at 2:30. Cost is \$8 and includes supper.

LWML Wadena Zone Spring Rally is April 26 at St Paul's, Henning. Registration begins at 8:30. Cost is \$5 and includes lunch.

LWML National Mission Goal for 2023-2025 of \$2.35 million has been met! Thank you to everyone who has donated mites! 31 mission projects in the US and around the world were funded. A new mission goal for 2025-2027 grants will be set at the LWML convention in Omaha this summer.

LWML Prayer Service will be May 1 at 7 PM.

JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday April 17, 7 PM

Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion

Good Friday April 18, 2 PM & 7 PM

Good Friday Tenebrae with Jesus on the Cross

Easter Vigil April 19, 7 PM

Easter Vigil Candlelight w/Baptism & Communion

Easter Sunday April 20, 7 AM, 9 AM

7:00 AM Easter Sunrise led by ACT Youth

9:00 AM Easter Celebration with Holy Communion