

Palm Sunday



Guatemala: Procession, 1978

Betty LaDuke (American, 1933-)

April 2, 2023

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

We gather for worship in the Narthex. Please join us as you are able, or be seated in the sanctuary. As we process into the sanctuary to take our seats, please note that there are always seats available on both sides near the front.

Welcome

Procession with Palms

The Palm Sunday Procession dates back to fourth century Jerusalem. In the procession, everyone carries a palm branch so that ritually and symbolically, the church becomes Jerusalem for the time of this worship service, and Jesus again enters His city. The past becomes the present and the future is foreshadowed when Jesus will lead His people into the New Jerusalem, the heavenly city in which the Easter Celebration will find its fulfillment.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Gospel **Matthew 21:1-8** (New English Translation, inclusivised)
The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, telling them, "Go to the village ahead of you. Right away you will find a donkey tied there, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you are to say, 'The Lord needs them,' and they will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet:

"Tell the people of Zion,
 'Look, your sovereign is coming to you,
 unassuming and seated on a donkey,
 and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

So the disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road. Others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of Palms

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Procession

Let us go forth in peace,

in the name of Christ. Amen.

The assembly follows the ministers into the church.

Hymn

Pave the Way with Branches

Repeat as we process into the sanctuary; once all are in pews, sing "Hope for the downtrod" verse to close

*Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.

Je - sus is com - ing. Ho - san - na. san - na.

Ho - san - na, Je - sus is com - ing. Ho -

san - na to the Prince of peace. Prince of peace.

**Additional verses ad lib.:*
Release for the captives . . .
Hope for the downtrod . . .
Land for the landless . . .
Debts are forgiven . . .

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Music: PAVE THE WAY, Bret Hesla
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us

pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading **Isaiah 50:4-9a** (New English Translation, inclusivised)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Sovereign Lord has given me the capacity to be God's spokesperson,
so that I know how to help the weary.

The Lord God wakes me up every morning;

God makes me alert so I can listen attentively as disciples do.

The Sovereign Lord has spoken to me clearly;

I have not rebelled,

I have not turned back.

I offered my back to those who attacked,

my jaws to those who tore out my beard;

I did not hide my face

from insults and spitting.

But the Sovereign Lord helps me,

so I am not humiliated.

For that reason I am steadfastly resolved;

I know I will not be put to shame.

The one who vindicates me is close by.

Who dares to argue with me? Let us confront each other!

Who is my accuser? Let them challenge me!

Look, the Sovereign Lord helps me.

Who dares to condemn me?

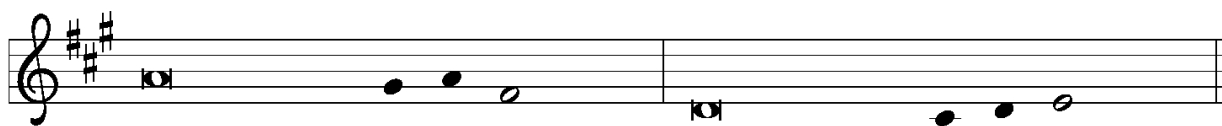
Look, all of them will wear out like clothes;

a moth will eat away at them.

May we listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Amen.

Psalm 31:9-16



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Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.

**For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones | are
consumed.**

I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay
to | my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street | they avoid me.

**Like the dead I am forgotten, | out of mind;
I am as useless as a | broken pot.**

For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to | take my life.

**But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.
I have said, "You | are my God.**

My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those
who | persecute me.

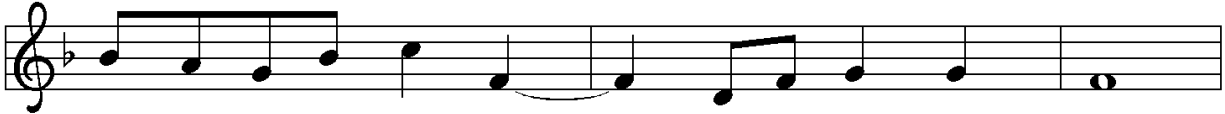
**Let your face shine up- | on your servant;
save me in your | steadfast love."**

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

Gospel **Matthew 21:9-11** (New English Translation, inclusivised)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The crowds that went ahead of him and those following kept shouting, “Hosanna to the Heir of the House David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” As he entered Jerusalem the whole city was thrown into an uproar, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

Marit Johnson

Musical Reflection

Hosanna! Sing a Loud Hosanna!

Mark Hayes
Senior Choir
Trumpet – Tim Watson

REFRAIN

Hosanna! Sing a loud hosanna!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Come faithful people, come away,
Your homage to your Sovereign pay;
It is the feast of palms today.
Hosanna! In the highest!
Go, Savior, thus to triumph born,
Thy crown shall be the wreath of thorn,
Thy royal garb the robe of scorn; Hosanna! **REFRAIN**

They thronged before, behind, around,
They cast palm branches on the ground,
And still rose up the joyful sound:
Hosanna in the highest!
“Blessed is Israel’s king.” They cried;
“Blessed is He that cometh nigh
In name of God the Lord most high.”
Hosanna in the highest! **REFRAIN**

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreiness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy,
Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver,
Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons,
Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister
Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Kathleen Zwanziger, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson,
Julie Larson and husband Eli receiving cancer treatment in Houston, Phillip Hall and
Kirstin Roberts, Gordon Shull, Nikki Dertouzos
The people of Clinton Heights Lutheran Church, Columbus; Redeemer community member
Elyce Herring

Children's Time

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Show gestures of peace.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

In body or spirit, please stand

Offertory

Come to the Table



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

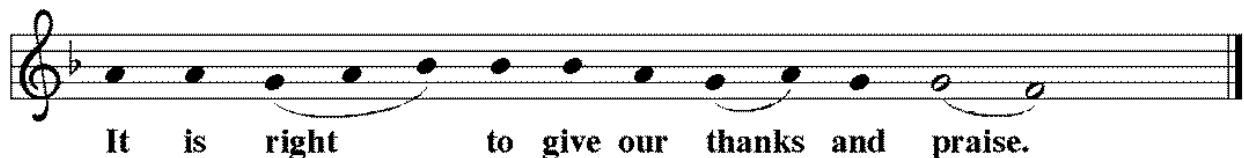
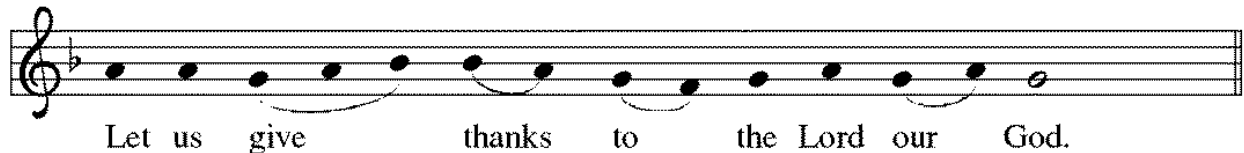
Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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Great Thanksgiving



We are right to praise you, faithful God! You answer sin with grace; you guide our wayward steps toward home. You are mending for the broken, friendship with the poor, and belonging for the outcast.

You reveal your kindness in every sorrow, your mercy even in death. All your creatures see your works; they sing your steadfast love.

We too declare your wonder and grace as with angels and saints we sing:

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Now, O God, we remember Jesus. He fasted and prayed; he was tempted and tried. He relied on you for everything. He was obedient to you and scorned by the powers of this world. He confounded the haughty and gave hope to the humble. He was betrayed and deserted. He died between thieves and was buried in a borrowed grave. You gave him new life. He lives even now, our healer and friend. He loved us well, loved us to the end, and loves us still.

Even on the night of betrayal, he ate supper with his friends. He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper, he took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Holy Spirit, come! Make all things new. Bless this bread which you have given and human hands have made. Let it become for us the bread of life. Bless also this cup, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. Let it become for us the cup of salvation.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to say:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Bless us also who eat and drink, that in this sharing we may know the living Christ who is with us now, and to the end of the age. Nourish us by these gifts to be willing servants of your world until the new age comes, and every creature beholds it.

Sharing the Meal

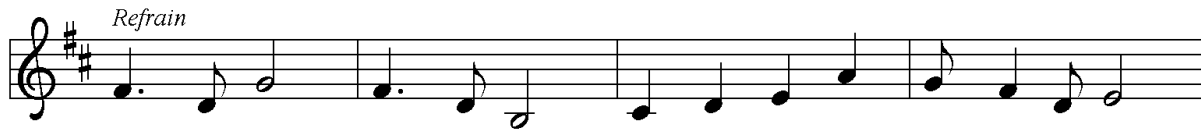
The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.
So do we.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

Hymn

Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.



Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
- 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dant, nev - er turn a - way.
- 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us, guard through good and ill.
- 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship, bless the ho - ly name.



in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.
Those who seek the Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.
Rise to tell God's great - ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34
Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young
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Hymn

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - jice.
that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.
Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997
Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922–1996
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, merciful God, for gladness in this bread and cup, for love that cannot die, for peace the world cannot give, for joy in the company of friends, for the splendors of creation, and for the mission of justice you have made our own. Give us the gifts of this holy communion — oneness of heart, love for neighbors, honesty about the harm we have caused and the harm done to us, the will to serve you every day, and life that never ends.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Please stand in body or spirit

Hymn

The King of Glory



The King of glo - ry comes, the na - tion re - joic - es.



O - pen the gates be - fore him, lift up your voic - es.



1. Who is the King of glo - ry; how shall we call him?
2. In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,
3. Sing then of Da - vid's Son, our Sav - ior and broth - er;
4. He gave his life for us, the pledge of sal - va - tion,
5. He con - quered sin and death; he tru - ly has ris - en,



1. He is Em - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.
2. He goes a - mong his peo - ple cur - ing their ill - ness.
3. In all of Gal - i - lee was nev - er an - oth - er.
4. He took up - on him - self the sins of the na - tion.
5. And he will share with us his heav - en - ly vi - sion.

to Refrain

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Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

All Glory, Laud and Honor, arr. James Southbridge

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Adult Ed Class

led by our LIC student
Marit Johnson

Discussions on articles from the *Journal of Lutheran Ethics* February/March issue, titled “Il/legal Abortion: Lutheran Ethical Responses Post-Dobbs.” Together participants will read articles from the journal, look at the ELCA’s 1991 Social Statement on Abortion, and share insights on ways to talk about this divisive topic from a Lutheran ethics perspective.

To preview articles that may be included, visit <https://learn.elca.org/jle/>.

IN-PERSON and ZOOM

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Sunday School



for all ages

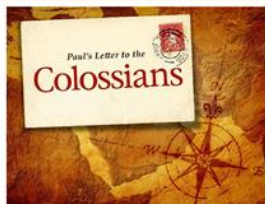
Sunday, April 2
11:15 am



LSS Food Pantry

*First Wednesdays
12:30-3:30 pm*

*Contact Kathleen Zwanziger
to volunteer*



St. Paul to the Colossians

Bible Study

Tuesdays – 1:00-2:30 pm

beginning April 11

Join us in-person or on Zoom

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Birthdays this week:

3 – Chad Eberle

4 – Jenny Young

5 – Wendy Stoica

6 – Nathan Ott

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday

April 6

*IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with
Foot- and Hand-Washing*

7:00 pm

Good Friday

April 7

*Hosting Christ United Methodist Church
Seven Last Words of Christ*

IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship

7:00 pm

Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, April 9

IN-PERSON Worship

8:30 am

Easter Brunch

9:45 am

LIVESTREAM and IN-PERSON Worship

11:00 am



Wednesday, April 19

7-8:30 pm

The Personal Librarian

by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray
Copies are available in public libraries.

Donna Voelkel, who recommended the book, says this about it: "*Personal Librarian* is written as a historical novel. Belle da Costa Greene, a young black librarian who identified herself as white, was hired by financier J.P. Morgan to manage and create a library for his large collections. After Morgan's death, Belle was successful in encouraging J.P. Morgan's son, Jack, to turn the library into a public institution to honor his father. There is much more to say, but that's for the reader to find out and discuss!"

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***Journaling
Workshop***

7:00 pm

May 2

In-Person - Narthex

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Preaching	Marit Johnson
Assisting Minister	Julianne Johnson
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal / Kiarra Santiago
Reader	Marit Johnson
Cantor	Connie Criswell
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Zak Hinkle-Moore
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Producers	Michele Disbro, Scott Steiner
Communion Prep	Becky Trover
Hospitality	Michelle Clemence

Noisy Offering will go to CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER APRIL 2 – 9

Today	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	11:15 am	Sunday School Easter Party
	11:15 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	5:00 pm	ZOOM Outreach Team
Wednesday	12:30pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
Thursday	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Good Friday Worship at Redeemer
Next Sunday	8:30 am	IN-PERSON Easter Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Easter Brunch
	11:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Easter Sunday Worship with Holy Communion

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