



Redeemer  
Lutheran Church

A Reconciling in Christ congregation,  
celebrating the diversity of God's children  
and fostering understanding  
and healing in community



# Palm Sunday



**March 24, 2024**

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.
- **Please silence your cell phone.**

# **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

***Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare 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** **Mark 11:1-11** (Common English Bible, inclusivized)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus and his followers approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives. Jesus gave two disciples a task, saying to them, "Go into the village over there. As soon as you enter it, you will find tied up there a colt that no one has ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'Its master needs it, and will send it back right away.'"

They went and found a colt tied to a gate outside on the street, and they untied it. Some people standing around said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them just what Jesus said, and they left them alone. They brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes upon it, and he sat on it. Many people spread out their clothes on the road while others spread branches cut from the fields. Those in front of him and those following were shouting,

**"Hosanna! Please save!**

**Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Blessings on the coming reign of our ancestor David!**

**Hosanna in the highest!"**

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. After he looked around at everything, because it was already late in the evening, he returned to Bethany with the Twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Procession**

Let us go forth in peace,

**in the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The assembly follows the ministers into the church.*

## Musical Reflection

### *On the Way to Jerusalem*

Don McAfee  
Senior Choir

Morning is here: awake from your slumbers; This is a festive day!  
Over the hills they're coming in numbers, Singing along the way:

#### **REFRAIN**

"Hosanna to our Lord and King!" Rejoicing children sing.

"Hosanna to our Lord and King!"

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna!"

Banners unfurl, and music is playing; Children are beating drums.  
"Blessed is He." the people are saying, "Blessed is He who comes!"

#### **REFRAIN**

The Royal Son of David, dressed in colors bright and bold,  
At last fulfills the prophecy so long ago foretold;  
And as He nears Jerusalem, the shouting crowds increase.  
As trumpets blare, the crowds declare:  
"Here comes the Prince of Peace!"

Over the walls the faces are peering; Curious eyes look down.  
Open the gates: The Master is coming; Let Him approach the town!

#### **REFRAIN**

## 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, in peace,

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy,  
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have  
mer - cy.

For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... (Refrain)

For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ... (Refrain)

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

Help, save and de - fend us, O God.  
A - - - men.

*Please be seated*

## **WE PROCLAIM THE WORD**

### **Reading**

**Philippians 2:5-11** (The Message, alt.)

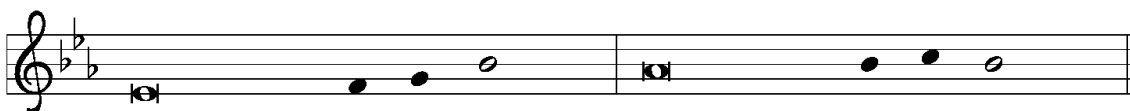
A reading from St. Paul's letter to the early church at Philippi

Think of yourselves the way Christ Jesus thought of himself. He had equal status with God but didn't think so much of himself that he had to cling to the advantages of that status no matter what. Not at all. When the time came, he set aside the privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! Having become human, he stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process. He didn't claim special privileges. Instead, he lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death—and the worst kind of death at that—a crucifixion. Because of that obedience, God lifted him high and honored him far beyond anyone or anything, ever, so that all created beings in heaven and on earth—even those long ago dead and buried—will bow in worship before this Jesus Christ, and every tongue proclaim to the glory of God: Jesus Christ reigns supreme!

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**



## Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29



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Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good;  
God's mercy en- | dures forever.

## Let Israel | now declare,

**“God’s mercy endures forever.”**

Open for me the | gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.

**“This is the gate | of the LORD;**

here the right- | teous may enter.”

I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me  
and you have become | my salvation.

**The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.**

By the LORD has | this been done;  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.

**This is the day that the | LORD has made:**

let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

Hosanna! | O LORD, save us!

We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the LORD;**

**we bless you from the house | of the LORD.**

The Lord is God and has giv- | en us light.

Form a procession with branches up to the corners | of the altar.

**You are my God, and I will thank you;**

**you are my God, and I | will exalt you.**

Give thanks to the LORD, | for the Lord is good;

God's mercy en- | dures forever.

## Spoken Reflection

*WHICH PARADE?*

### Commissioning of Building Responsibility, Equality, And Dignity [BREAD] Network Members

## Musical Reflection

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

arr. Sandra Eithun  
Chime Choir

## 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....

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God." **Receive our prayer.**

**Amen.**

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

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy,  
Kevin Bailey's sister Klea Childs, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and  
her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece  
Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman,  
Emily Ott's aunt Kathy Richter, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose, John Kennedy's  
sister and brother-in-law, Becky & Vic Wolfe, Kathie Ehrich, Elaine Warren,  
David Williams, Kathy Richter

For the people of Grace of God Lutheran Church in Columbus

For Redeemer community member Damon Stewart

## Time with the Young People

### Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Members are encouraged to move around the sanctuary to greet each with a hearty  
handshake or a hug.*

*For those who have special concerns or who do not wish close contact, please offer a sign  
of blessing to let others know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.*

*We will continue to take a moment to greet those who are worshiping via livestream before  
greeting those in the sanctuary.*

### **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

## You Are Holy

1\*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

\* *May be sung in canon.*

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# Great Thanksgiving

*Presider:* The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al - so with  
*Presider:* you. *Congregation:* Lift up your hearts. We  
*Presider:* lift them to the Lord. Let us give  
*Congregation:* thanks to the Lord our God. It is  
 right to give God thanks and praise.

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:

*Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the  
One who comes in your name. 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. May we open ourselves to meet the living Christ in this bread and cup, and in one another.

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.

## Sharing the Meal

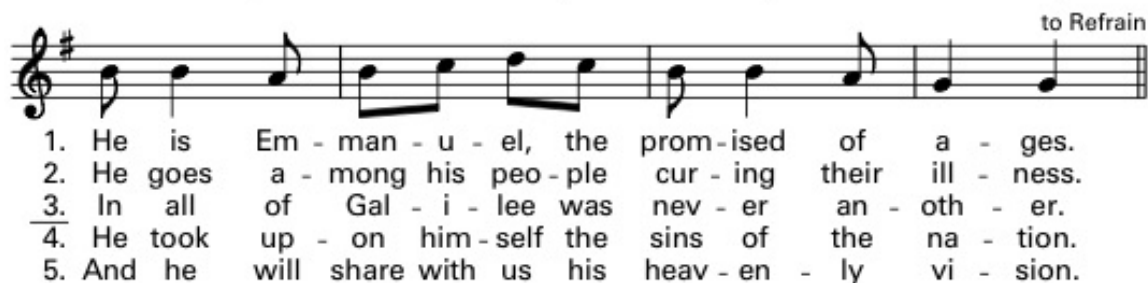
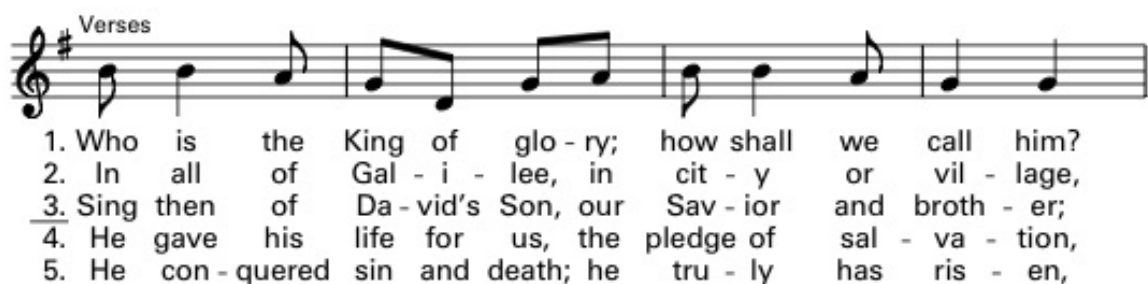
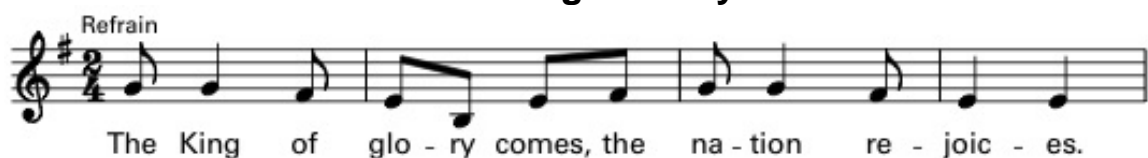
The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal.  
So do we.

*Please be seated*

*You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, 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

### The King of Glory



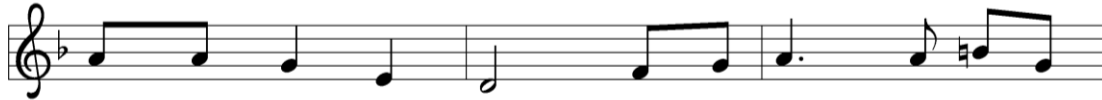
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Music: Trad. Israeli Folk Song.

## Hymn

## Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery



1 Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, in your  
 2 We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, love passed  
 3 Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, stum - bling



death we are re - born; though you die in all of  
 on through act and word; ev - 'ry per - son lost and  
 though our steps may be; one with you in joy and



his - t'ry, still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, still you  
 bro - ken wears the bod - y of our Lord, wears the  
 sor - row, we the riv - er, you the sea, we the



rise with ev - 'ry morn.  
 bod - y of our Lord.  
 riv - er, you the sea.

### *Lent 5*

God of all our fear and sorrow,  
 God who lives beyond our death,  
 hold us close through each tomorrow,  
 love as near as every breath.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: Marty Haugen

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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

### Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the  
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of  
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -  
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -  
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring  
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal

sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.  
gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

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Music: THE KING'S MAJESTY, Graham George, 1912–1993

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### Blessing

**Amen.**

### Announcements

### Postlude

### *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*, arr. Lloyd Larson

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Adult Ed – March 10, 17, 24, 11:15 am

## THE MEANINGS and MESSAGES OF HOLY WEEK

*Brad Binau*

"As Lent leads us into Holy Week we will explore the events, characters, and context of the passion story and its meaning for life today."

In-Person and Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88957366923?pwd=TnV6cFB4ZUpET25USTgzZ0diZlhnQT09>

Meeting ID: 889 5736 6923 = Passcode: 383835

Phone only: 1-312-626-6799

## Sunday School



*for all ages*

**Sunday, March 24**

**11:15 am**





### HOLY WEEK

#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Maundy Thursday

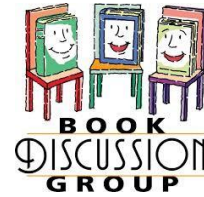
March 28 = 7:00 pm

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

### Good Friday

March 29 = 7:00 pm

*Seven Last Words of Christ  
At Christ United Methodist Church  
1480 Zettler Road  
IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship*



**Wednesday, April 17**  
**7-8:30 pm**



## ANXIOUS PEOPLE

*by Fredrik Backman*

Copies are available in public libraries.

### IN-PERSON and ZOOM

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## Easter Services

**8:30 am – IN-PERSON Worship**

**9:30 am – Brunch**

**11:00 am – IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship**



## Journaling Workshop

**7:00 pm**

**March 26**

*In-Person - Outer  
Pastor's Office*



**Birthdays this week:**

**24 – Carol Heacock**

**27 – Margie Farnham**

**30 – Colin Young**

## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Mary Benis
<b>Reader</b>	Georgene Slagle
<b>Cantor</b>	Heidi Sherer
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Bryan Neal
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chimes Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Usher</b>	Mike Benis
<b>Verger</b>	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
<b>Producers</b>	Judith Bird, April Smith
<b>Communion Prep</b>	Becky Fisher, Lynn Belhorn, Michelle Clemence
<b>Hospitality</b>	Lorien and Joss Dana

*Noisy Offering will go to Star House center for youth.*

### THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER MARCH 24 – APRIL 1

<b>Today</b>	9:30 am	Senior 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	<b>Sunday School Easter Party</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm	Congregational Council
	7:00 pm	Journaling Workshop
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Maundy Thursday Worship
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Good Friday Worship at Christ United Methodist Church, 1480 Zettler Road
<b>Saturday</b>	12:30 pm	Youth Gathering
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 am	IN-PERSON Easter Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
	9:30 am	Easter Brunch
	11:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Easter Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Office closed</b>

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