

St. John's Lutheran Church

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday **March 24, 2024**

Pre-Service Music by Shari Krasinski & Mandy Vergin

Procession of Palms *(Sunday includes the children's procession)*

The congregation now stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance to the nave.

Greeting

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

G **Amen.**

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

G **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

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.

G **Amen.**



Holy Gospel

Mark 11:1–10

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

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

P ¹When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

P Let us go forth in peace,

G **in the name of the Lord.**


Many people spread
their cloaks on the road,
and others spread leafy
branches that they had
cut in the fields.

MARK 11:8, NRSV




Processional Hymn: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (LSB 442)


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.



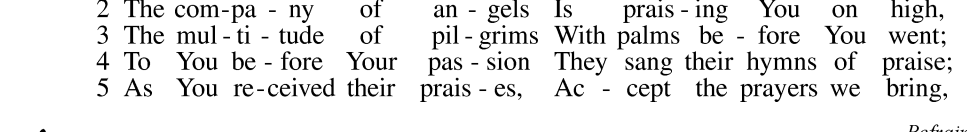
1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,

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,



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.

Refrain

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

Children's Message

St. John's Adult and Children's Choir (Sunday Worship) "Hosanna!" by Christian Gregor Arr. Jeffrey Blersch

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

C Hosanna in the highest.

A time of silence may be observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion.

Collect 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.

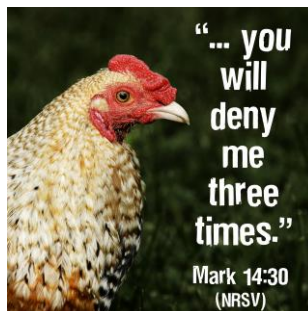
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Pastoral Instruction to Passion Reading

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)

1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.

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Reading 1: Jesus Anointed, Institution of Lord's Supper

Mark 14:1–26 (Pew Bible Page 850)

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)

2 Make me see Your great dis-tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,
Bonds and stripes and wretch-ed - ness And Your cru - ci - fix - ion;
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.

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Reading 2: Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial, Prays in Gethsemane

Mark 14:27–42 (Pew Bible Page 851)

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)

3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see Your pas - sion,
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought Your deep af - flic - tion;
This in - deed the cause has been Of Your cru - ci - fix - ion.

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Reading 3: Jesus Arrested, Tried before Council

Mark 14:43–65 (Pew Bible Page 851)

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)

4 Grant that I Your pas-sion view With re-pen-tant griev-ing.
Let me not bring shame to You By un-ho-ly liv-ing.
How could I re-fuse to shun Ev-'ry sin-ful plea-sure
Since for me God's on-ly Son Suf-fered with-out mea-sure?

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Reading 4: Peter's Denial, Jesus before Pilate

Mark 14:66—15:15 (Pew Bible Page 852)

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)

5 If my sins give me a-larm And my con-science grieve me,
Let Your cross my fear dis-arm; Peace of con-science give me.
Help me see for-give-ness won By Your ho-ly pas-sion.
If for me He slays His Son, God must have com-pas-sion!

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Reading 5: Jesus' Death & Burial

Mark 15:16–47 (Pew Bible Page 852)

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LSB 440)



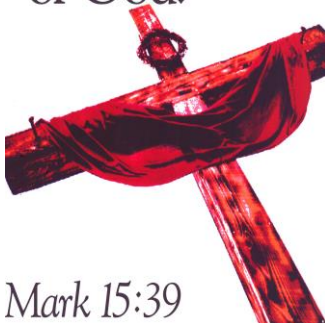
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Offering

St. John's Handbells (Sunday Worship)

“Palm Sunday Celebration” by Dan R. Edwards

“Truly this man
was the Son
of God!”



Mark 15:39

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 \neq everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
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.


G Amen

Announcements


“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” (LSB 441)



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.

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Over his head they put
the charge against him, which read,
“This is Jesus,
the King of the Jews.”
MATTHEW 27:37

Silent Prayer

Postlude

Minister: Pastor Aaron Vergin

Organist: Hannah Coomer

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

10 a.m. Palm Sunday, March 24

7 p.m. Maundy Thursday, March 28

12 p.m. & 7 p.m. Good Friday, March 29

5 p.m. Easter Saturday, March 30



