

# Palm Sunday



April 12 and 13, 2025

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### TODAY'S WORSHIP FOCUS

In our world, power dynamics are often in play. Those who don't have power want it, often more than anything else. Those who have power are willing to do anything to keep it. In contrast, Jesus—who possessed all power as the Son of God—willingly surrendered his power and placed himself in the hands of his enemies. Why? What he wanted more than anything else was not power, but you.



So, Jesus begins this Holy Week riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, knowing full well that he was riding to the cross. He would surrender himself to the punishment that our sins deserved, so that through Spirit-wrought faith we might seize the glory and heaven that only he deserves.



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## OPENING HYMN

### 302 | *Prepare the Royal Highway*



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is  
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal  
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised  
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a -



near! Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a  
King! Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread  
King! Your King, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its  
bove. His rule is peace and free - dom and



lev - el road ap - pear! Then greet the King of  
gar - ments! Shout and sing! God's prom - ise will not  
trib - ute too should bring. All lands, bow down be -  
jus - tice, truth, and love. So let your praise be



glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:  
fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!  
fore him! All na - tions, now a - dore him!  
sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



*Refrain*  
Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's Word!



Some of our hymns for today come from the Advent section of our hymnal. Advent and Palm Sunday have similar themes as we prepare to meet the Lord who has come to save us.



PLEASE STAND

## INVOCATION

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Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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M: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**C: Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C: Almighty and merciful Father,  
we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed what we have devised and desired in  
our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.  
We have done those things that we should not have done,  
and we have not done those things that we should have  
done.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,  
according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

*Psalm 32:1-2*

*This Confession of Sins states the reality of our sin and our natural sinfulness. We also confess the hope we have because of Jesus!*



M: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **LORD, HAVE MERCY** –*Kyrie*

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M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**



*The word Kyrie is a Greek word from the phrase “Kyrie eleison” which means, “Lord, have mercy!” This is the most heartfelt cry of a believer to his Lord. It is not a cry for forgiveness, but a cry for mercy that our Lord and King hear us and help us in everything.*



## HYMN OF PRAISE

413 vs. 1, 3 | *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" that an - cient song we sing,

thro' pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.  
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,  
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.  
and in his roy - al pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joyce.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**

M: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

PLEASE BE SEATED

**FIRST LESSON**

**Isaiah 42:1-4**

**"H**ere is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.  
He will not shout or cry out,  
or raise his voice in the streets.  
A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.  
In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;  
he will not falter or be discouraged  
till he establishes justice on earth.  
In his teaching the islands will put their hope."

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



*Isaiah foretold  
the coming  
Servant of the  
Lord whose  
humility would  
be the source of  
the world's hope  
and whose  
willingness to  
surrender would  
bring forth  
justice.*



## PSALM OF THE DAY

## Psalm 24

The  
congregation  
will sing this  
Psalm in the  
Saturday  
service.

### Refrain

Wel - come the King of glo - ry, each tribe and na - tion!  
He is the LORD Al - might - y, bring - ing sal - va - tion.

### Tone

The earth is the LORD's, and every- / thing in it,  
the world, and all who / live in it;  
for he founded it / on the seas  
and established it on the / waters.

Who may ascend the mountain / of the LORD?  
Who may stand in his / holy place?

The one who has clean hands and a / pure heart,  
they will receive blessing from God their / Savior. **Refrain**

Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you / ancient doors,  
that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is this King of / glory?

The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in / battle.

Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you / ancient doors,  
that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is he, this King of / glory?

The LORD Almighty—he is the King of / glory.



**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.   *Refrain***

## **CHOIR**

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**Psalm 24 — *Fling Wide the Gates***

*Refrain*

Fling wide the gates, open the ancient doors, and the great king  
will come in.

Who is this great king?  
Who is this great king?  
He is the LORD, strong and mighty.  
Who is this great king?  
The LORD, victorious in battle.  
Who is this great king?

*Refrain*

Who is this great king?  
Who is this great king?  
The triumphant LORD—he is the great king!  
Who is this great king?

*Refrain*



*The choir will  
sing the entire  
Psalm in the  
Sunday  
Services.*



Jesus is true God,  
yet he did not  
use his divine  
power to  
forcefully seize  
what he wanted.  
Instead, he  
surrendered to  
death on a cross,  
so that he might  
win our salvation.



## SECOND LESSON

## Philippians 2:5–11

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**I**n your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God something to be used  
to his own advantage;  
rather, he made himself nothing  
by taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.  
And being found in appearance as a man,  
he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—  
even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

## CHOIR

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*A Joyful Hosanna*

PLEASE STAND

## GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:28–40

**A**fter Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ”

Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

They replied, “The Lord needs it.”

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

“I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

PLEASE BE SEATED



*On Palm Sunday  
Jesus rode into  
Jerusalem to  
cheers and  
praise, knowing  
that shortly after  
he would  
surrender himself  
to his enemies  
and be put to  
death.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

### 411 | *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! Your 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, your 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 your meek head to



sue your 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 th'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
sap - phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.  
mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign.



*The Glory of the Ordinary*

Lift up your heads, O you gates;  
be lifted up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.  
Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD strong and mighty,  
the LORD mighty in battle.  
Lift up your heads, O you gates;  
lift them up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.  
Who is he, this King of glory?  
The LORD Almighty—  
he is the King of glory.

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING AND PRAYER**

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*Spoken by the Minister.*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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*Spoken by the Minister.*

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## THE SACRAMENT

### THE PREFACE

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*This section of the liturgy is one of the most ancient parts of the liturgy of the Christian Church. The second response comes from Lamentations 3:41 and Psalm 86:4.*



As we prepare to receive Jesus' body and blood, the Palm Sunday song of "Hosanna" is very fitting. Jesus is coming to us too — as he comes in the Sacrament.

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY - *Sanctus*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of 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!

## LORD'S PRAYER

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**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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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*Spoken by the Minister, followed by:*

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.



*The minister repeats the words of Jesus from the Scripture. With these words he proclaims the truth of what we receive in the Sacrament.*



This simple confession reminds us what Jesus does for his people. He takes away sin! Be at peace and believe the good news that Jesus is your Savior as you take the Lord's Supper.

## LAMB OF GOD - *Agnus Dei*

A musical score for the hymn 'Lamb of God' (Agnus Dei). It consists of ten staves of music in G minor (one flat) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence on the last staff.

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

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Personal prayers for reception of the Lord's Supper on p. 22 of this worship folder.

## DISTRIBUTION

*The Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is an expression of spiritual unity. Therefore, we practice "close communion" at Living Hope. If you are a member of a WELS or ELS congregation, we invite you to take the Lord's Supper with us; if you are not, please speak to one of our pastors after the service so that he can explain our practice in more detail.*



## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

### *All Glory Laud and Honor*



1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,  
 2 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,  
 3 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,  
 4 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,  
 5 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,



To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -  
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -  
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -  
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -  
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -



san - nas ring. You are the King of Is - rael  
 san - nas ring. The com - pa - ny of an - gels  
 san - nas ring. The peo - ple of the He - brews  
 san - nas ring. To you be - fore your pas - sion  
 san - nas ring. As you re - ceived their prais - es,



And Da - vid's roy - al Son, Now in the  
 Is prais - ing you on high, And we with  
 With palms be - fore you went; Our praise and  
 They sang their hymns of praise; To you, now  
 Ac - cept the prayers we bring, O Source of



Lord's name com - ing, Our King and bless - ed one.  
 all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.  
 prayer and an - them Be - fore you we pre - sent.  
 high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.  
 ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.



## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

### 414 | *No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet*



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet  
2 And yet he comes. The chil - dren cheer;  
3 What fad - ing flow'rs his road a - dorn;  
4 Now he who bore for mor - tals' sake



with ban - ners and with drums, no sound of mu - sic's  
with palms his path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the  
the palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but  
the cross and all its pains and chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"  
cross draws near: the King of glo - ry's throne.  
on - ly thorn the King of glo - ry's crown.  
form to take, the King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride  
A - stride a colt he pass - es by  
The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,  
Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



no bells in tri - umph ring, no cit - y gates swing  
as loud ho - san - nas ring, or else the ver - y  
the streets with tu - mult ring, as Pi - late to the  
till heav - en's raft - ers ring, and all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

PLEASE STAND

## COMMUNION BLESSING

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*Spoken by the Minister*

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**C: his mercy endures forever.**

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup

**C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

*Psalm 106:1*

*1 Corinthians  
11:26*

## CLOSING PRAYER

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M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

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M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*These are the words of the blessing that the Lord commanded his Old Testament priests to use in Numbers 6.*

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## CLOSING HYMN

### 313 | *Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes*



1 Hark the glad sound! The Sav - ior comes, the Sav - ior  
2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, in Sa - tan's  
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing  
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, your wel - come



prom - ised long; let ev - 'ry heart pre -  
bond - age held; the gates of brass be -  
soul to cure, and with the trea - sures  
shall pro - claim, and heav'n's e - ter - nal



pare a throne and ev - 'ry voice a song,  
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.  
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.  
arch - es ring with your be - lov - ed name.



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Sunday 8:00am Ushers

Terry Meincke, David Oldenburg, and  
Steve Van Lieshout

Sunday 10:30am Ushers

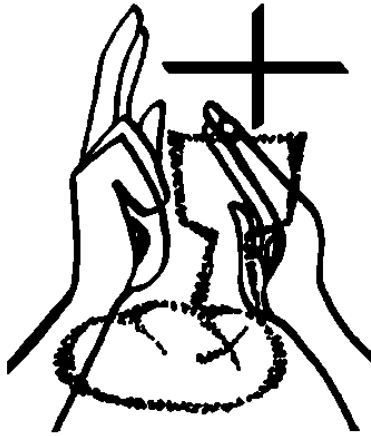
Chris Horvat, Jacob Horvat, Andrew Mielke

8:00am Communion Assistants

Paul Wolfgramm and Dave Parbs

10:30am Communion Assistants

Tim Hochmuth and Dan Ody



## **COMMUNION PRAYERS**

### **Before Communion**

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come to you rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

### **After Communion**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.



As we celebrate Holy Week, Martin Luther's comments on Jesus' work remind us of the true joy of Holy Week.

By departing with the words "It is finished," Christ indicates that all Scripture is fulfilled. He says in effect, "World and devil have done as much to me as they were able to do, and I have suffered as much as was necessary for the salvation of man and as was prophesied and proclaimed in Scripture through the prophets. Therefore everything is fulfilled and finished." We are to mark this well: Christ's suffering is the fulfilling of Scripture and the completing of the redemption of the human race. It is finished. God's Lamb is slaughtered and sacrificed for the world's sin. The true High Priest has completed his sacrifice. God's Son has given and sacrificed his body and life as payment for sin. Sin is wiped out, God's wrath is appeased, death is overcome, the kingdom of heaven is won, and heaven is unlocked. Everything is fulfilled and finished, and no one need argue that something still remains to be fulfilled and perfected.

*What Luther Says*, p. 195



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