

**March 25, 2018**

**Palm Sunday**

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“This is the Lord’s doing,  
it is marvelous in our eyes.”



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## PROCESSION WITH PALMS

*(We will gather outside)*

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

**G** **And with your spirit.**

**P** Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD!

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

**PALM SUNDAY ACCOUNT – John 12:12-19** The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> 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!" <sup>14</sup> And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, <sup>15</sup> "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" <sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup> So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

**P** Let us join in prayer.

**G** **O God, who through Your prophets foretold our King's coming: we give You thanks for fulfilling Your Word, and we pray that You would use these palms to remind us of the day He entered Jerusalem. Bless us who bear them, and grant that we may rejoice in His salvation in the heavenly Jerusalem; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## RESPONSIVE PSALM

*Ps. 24:7-10; Ps. 118:26*

**P** Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.

**G** **Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

**P** Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

**C** **Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

**P** Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

**C** **Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.**

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*During the next hymn, the congregation is invited to proceed into the sanctuary, lay their palm leaves before the altar, and return to their seats.*

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**HYMN: WS #725                      “No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet”**

1. No tramp of soldiers’ marching feet With banners and with drums, No sound of music’s martial beat— “The King of glory comes!” To greet what pomp of kingly pride No bells in triumph ring, No city gates swing open wide: “Behold, behold your King!”
2. And yet He comes. The children cheer; With palms His path is strown. With ev’ry step the cross draws near—The King of glory’s throne. Astride a colt He passes by As loud hosannas ring, Or else the very stones would cry “Behold, behold your King!”
3. What fading flow’rs His road adorn; The palms how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but only thorn The King of glory’s crown. The soldiers mock, the rabble cries, The streets with tumult ring, As Pilate to the mob replies, “Behold, behold your King!”
4. Now He who bore for mortals’ sake The cross and all its pains And chose a servant’s form to take, The King of glory reigns. Hosanna to the Savior’s name Till heaven’s rafters ring, And all the ransomed host proclaim “Behold, behold your King!”

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:**

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*We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

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**P** Blessed Lord, Who always comes among Your people for good,

**C** **we confess to You that we are conceived and born sinful and both by nature and choice have turned away from You. We have enthroned self-interest and pride as our kings, and they have ruled us as tyrants. We have failed to acknowledge Your rightful lordship in our lives. Forgive us for Jesus’ sake, and by the power of the Holy Spirit turn our hearts this day to worship and follow Jesus, the one true King of kings and Lord of lords.**

**P** The King has won your freedom. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

**G** Amen.

## GLORIA PATRI

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father"*



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,  
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:  
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,  
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – Zechariah 9:9-12** Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.



**EPISTLE READING – Philippians 2:5-11** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,<sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.<sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.<sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,<sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,<sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**P** This is the Word of the LORD.

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** *Explanation to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article of the Creed*

*The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe in the explanation to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article.*

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**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death. He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy, just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity. This is most certainly true.**

**HYMN: TLH #161**

**“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

**SERMON – Psalm 118:19-29** Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.<sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.<sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.<sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.<sup>25</sup> Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!<sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.<sup>27</sup> 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! <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. <sup>29</sup> Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

## The LORD's Doing is Always Marvelous




- I. Palm Sunday
- II. Good Friday



### OFFERTORY

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*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*


- C**  Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

**SERMON HYMN: TLH #10 "This is the Day the Lord Hath Made"**


### - OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS -

*Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:*

**OFFERING HYMN: TLH #441:1 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"**

- C**  We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

### PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.
- C**  Amen, amen, a – men.

**CLOSING HYMN: TLH #162 "Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty"**

## ✠ Announcements ✠

**CLC Call News** Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called Mrs. Erin Radichel to teach kindergarten part-time in the afternoons.

**Good Friday Tenebrae** On Good Friday we will hold a Tenebrae service. *Tenebrae* is a

Latin term meaning “*shadows, darkness.*” This service is an ancient form of worship dating from the fourth century. The tone is very somber as candles are extinguished, and the sanctuary is gradually darkened to remind worshipers of the three hours of darkness which blanketed the earth during Christ’s crucifixion as He suffered the punishment of being forsaken by God for our sins. The darkness of Good Friday prepares us for the brilliant dawning of Easter. **The Good Friday Tenebrae will begin an hour later than normal, at 7:30pm.**

**Easter Service** Just a reminder that next Sunday is Easter, and we’ll be holding our Easter Worship at the regular 10:15 time slot. In place of the 9:15 Bible class, we will be having our Easter Breakfast Potluck. If you are able, bring a dish to share. Easter Breakfast will begin at **9am.**

**Easter Lilies** If you’d like to place an Easter Lily in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday, you can find the signup sheet in the back of church. Please include your name as well as who the lily is placed in memory of. The Lilies are \$10; please pay Teresa Bernthal in time for her to purchase the lilies. Thank you!

**Dorm Supervisor Needed at ILC:** Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI, is in need of a boys’ dormitory supervisor for the 2018-19 school year. Men who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position should ask the pastor for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. Those who are interested in applying should contact the ILC president, Prof. Steve Sippert ([steve.sippert@ilc.edu](mailto:steve.sippert@ilc.edu), [715-523-](tel:715-523-)

### Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **TBD:** Church Work Day
- ✠ **Mar. 30:** Good Friday  
Tenebrae Service **7:30pm**
- ✠ **Apr. 1:** Easter Breakfast 9am  
Easter Service/Communion
- ✠ **Apr. 14:** Trustees & Council

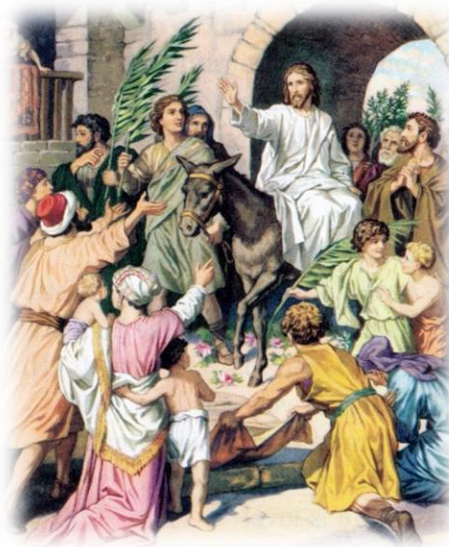
[1138](#)), for an application or for more information. It is hoped that interested parties can reply by April 5.

**CLC Youth Camp** Just a reminder that registration for CLC Youth Camp @ Pillager, MN will be opening on Sunday, March 25th, at 3:00 PM Central Time. Register online at [youthcamp.clclutheran.net](http://youthcamp.clclutheran.net). This camp is open to all children entering grades 6-12. More details can be found on the website.

**Last Week (3/18)** Attendance: WH – 45 Wed. – 18

General = \$1,162.80 | Prop. Imprv. = \$200 | ILC Building = \$30 | Building Fund = \$65 | Tuition = \$950 | **Total Offering = \$2407.80**

**April Usher:** Morris | **Acolyte (4/1):** Mason G.  
| **Cleaner (3/31):** Bernthal



### **Readings for Holy Week**

*Monday of Holy Week –*  
**John 12:1-23**

*Tuesday of Holy Week –*  
**John 12:23-50**

*Wednesday of Holy Week –*  
**John 13:16-38**

*Maundy Thursday –*  
**John 13:1-17; 31-35**

*Good Friday –*  
**John 18:1-19:42**

*Holy Saturday –*  
**Matthew 27:57-66**

### **Welcome!**

If you are curious about what we believe and teach... At your convenience the Pastor is ready to arrange free Bible instruction classes at your home or at church for you and your family so that you may be sure of eternal life.

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