



Our Saviour Lutheran Church

Order of Worship

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 10:30 A.M.



PRELUDE

THE HOSANNA PROCLAMATION

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

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

THE PROCESSION OF THE WORD

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: All Glory, Laud and Honor – ELW #344, v. 1

**All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessed One.
All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

THE GOSPEL OF THE PALMS: *Mark 11:1-11*

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this: 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

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

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple, and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus

Christ. Today Jesus enters the holy city Jerusalem in triumph and is proclaimed the 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 may 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.

People: **Amen**

THE PROCESSIONAL SONG – Hosanna Praise Is Rising

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

WELCOME

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: *Isaiah 50:4-9a*

The Lord God has given me
a trained tongue,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens,
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I did not turn backward.
I gave my back to those who struck me
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?

Let us stand in court together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?
All of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.
Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life...

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: *Psalm 31:9-16 (Read responsively by half verse.)*

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
**my eye wastes away from grief,
my soul and body also.**
For my life is spent with sorrow
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my misery,
and my bones waste away.
I am the scorn of all my adversaries,
a horror to my neighbors,
an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.
I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.
For I hear the whispering of many—
terror all around!—
**as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.**
But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my God."
My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

THE SECOND READING: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he existed in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be grasped,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore, God exalted him even more highly
and gave him the name
that is above every other name,
so that at the name given to Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life...

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON - Heather Lussier

THE SERMON: Rev. Frank Waugh

THE HYMN OF THE DAY - Ride On, Ride On in Majesty - ELW #346

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

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.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE PEACE

THE OFFERING – OSLC Praise Band

THE OFFERING RESPONSE – Praise and Thanksgiving – ELW #689, v.1

Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – (ELW P. 152)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE

THE SANCTUS – (ELW P. 153)

Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

COMMUNION SONGS

Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. *(Repeat)*

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthened us with the saving power of your suffering, death and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

God, the giver of love, (+) Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Holy Week journey. **Amen.**

THE SENDING SONG – Lead Me to the Cross

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

As we enter the most sacred time of the Christian year, you are invited to join us for observances of events in the life of Jesus during his Passion. Each service is linked with the others to exhibit the various acts in the divine drama of our redemption. All are encouraged to attend and participate.

THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 28 @ 6 PM – Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday or Holy Thursday is the day during Holy Week that commemorates the event of Jesus' washing of the disciples' feet as a sign of servanthood. It also commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles. It is the fifth day of Holy Week and is the first part of the Paschal Triduum (Three Days) that marks the events of Jesus' Passion. The word "maundy" comes from the Latin word *mandatum* which translates as "commandment." After the washing of the disciples' feet, Jesus commanded the disciples to "love one another just as I have loved you" as a sign of servanthood.

March 29 @ 6 PM – Good Friday

Good Friday is the day during Holy Week that commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus and his death on the cross at Golgotha. It is the sixth day of Holy Week and is the second part of the Paschal Triduum. It is the most solemn day of the church year.



March 31 @ 10:30 AM – Easter Sunday

Easter, also called *Pascha* or Resurrection Sunday is the day that commemorates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and is the culmination of the Passion of Jesus Christ, preceded by Lent, a 40-day period of fasting, prayer and penance. It marks the first day of the new creation created through the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the principal celebration of the sacrament of Baptism that marks the new creation of redeemed people through grace.