

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR PALMARUM, PASSION SUNDAY

9:00 am Sunday, April 13, 2025

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✙ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed



The liturgy for the first day of Holy Week is in two parts. It begins with a procession with palms as a dramatic prelude to the Eucharist; this memorable ceremony gives the nickname "Palm Sunday" to the day. The service itself is a celebration of the Passion of Jesus Christ, a highlight of which is the reading (or singing) of a passion account from one of the Gospels. As a prelude to the reading of the passion, the procession with palms provides of an appropriate outburst of joy which does not lose sight of the solemn goal of Jesus' triumphal entry: He rides on to die. The somberness of the passion, which is the focus of Holy Week, is thus framed by the joy of the preparatory procession and by the greater joy of Easter, which is its purpose and culmination.



Greeting And Announcements: *The Lord be with you!* **And also with you!**

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✙ *Son and of the Holy Spirit.....* **Amen.**

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord.
O King of Israel Hosanna in the highest!

The Lord be with you. And with your Spirit.

Let us pray: Bless us this day, we beseech You, O Lord, and grant that we, who today honor You with these ✙ branches of palm, may be perfected spiritually through our devotion to the victory over the enemy won by Your Son Jesus Christ, heartily rejoicing in it, and ardently loving every work of mercy; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever Amen.

The palms are distributed to the congregation.

A Reading from the Evangelist, St. John, the Twelfth Chapter.

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 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!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written

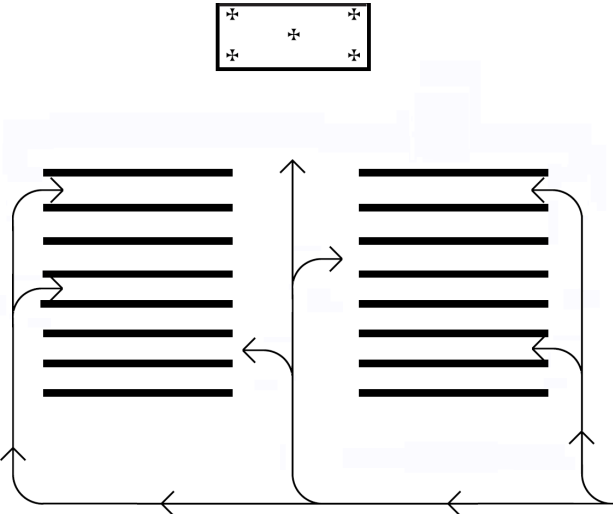
about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Collect for Palmarum: *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. Amen.*

Let us go forth in peace In the Name of Christ. Amen.

During the Processional Hymn, the congregation follows the Processional Cross and Clergy back into the Sanctuary. The Processional Cross will follow the route as indicated below. Please follow the Processional Cross and enter into your pew as you come to it.



Processional Hymn All Glory, Laud, and Honor Burgundy Hymn 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.

Verse

1. You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are 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. Their prai - ses You ac - cep - ted; Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

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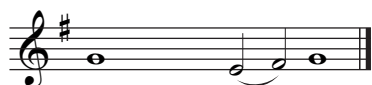


Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
Cre - a - tion and all mor - tals In cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
Great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Rite of Blessing of Zion's Beautified Holy Space

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir— it.

Collect for Passion Sunday: *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.*



A ——— men!

[Be Seated]

+ The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 32:36-39

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* Thanks be to God.

Epistle of the Day Philippians 2:5-11

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* Thanks be to God.

Hymn of the Day A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Burgundy Hymn 438

The Passion of Our Lord according to St. Luke See Insert

Sermon

[Rise]

+ The Office of Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution +

Having heard the Word of God, and as we prepare for the great gift of the Holy Sacrament of Christ's body and blood, let us confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness.

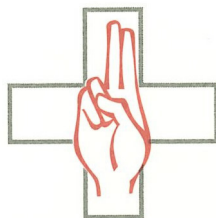
[Kneel]

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth.
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

General Rite of Blessing

1. This rite is used to bless various items used in the Divine Service (e.g., pianos, handbells, other permanent musical instruments, torches, tapers, hymnals, kneeling cushions) prior to their first use.
2. Depending on the item to be blessed, this rite may occur either prior to the Hymn of Invocation or before the Prayer of the Church in the Divine Service or the Prayers in the Daily Office.
3. When the object to be blessed is at another location, it is appropriate that there be a procession to that place.
4. Because of the solemn character of Holy Week, it is inappropriate to schedule this rite during that time.



This rite is taking place after the Palm Sunday portion of the Divine Service, prior to the solemn character of Passion Sunday.

P Beloved in the Lord, Moses was commanded by the Lord to receive gifts from the people for the beautification of the sanctuary. Everyone whose heart stirred and whose spirit was moved brought a contribution to the Lord to be used in the Lord's house in all its services. *[Exodus 35:21]*

Since the Lord has taught us in His holy Word that everything is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer, it is fitting that we bless and sanctify this work of beautification and those items new and restored that are to be used in God's holy house.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P The Lord be with you.
C **And with your spirit.**

P Let us pray.
O God, You have directed us to bring offerings for Your glory. We implore You to bless this beautification work and the items new and restored to be used in Your service. Grant that they may reflect our love for You, benefit Your Church, and bring joy to those who use them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (653)
C **Amen.**

P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this repaired and restored ceiling, this new floor and kneeling pads, these new lights and candles, these restored pews and altar rail, and the improved video system, and bless those who use them to the glory of Your name.
C **Amen.**

The service continues with the COLLECT FOR PASSION SUNDAY.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you all! Amen!

[Rise] **Confession of Faith (The Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

[Bow] And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen!

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [After each petition]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: Hear our prayer.
[After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever Amen!

[Be Seated] **Offerings**

Choral Voluntary..... Behold! The Lamb of God G. F. Handel
[From the Oratorio : The Messiah]

[Rise] **Offertory Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres- ence, and
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts.



And with thy spir - it. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface for Passiontide, Sanctus

It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry; Ho - san - na Ho - san - na, Ho -



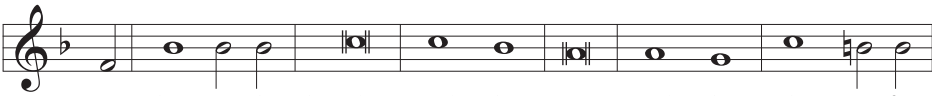
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He, Bless - ed is He, Bless - ed is He that



com - eth in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the highest.

[Kneel] Lord's Prayer

[Pastor chants:] Our Father who art in heaven; but deliver us from evil.



For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo - ry for -



ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



A - men.

Agnus Dei



1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,



have mer - cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Burgundy Hymn 443

Ride On, Ride On See Insert

[Rise] Eucharistic Benediction

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!

Post-Communion Canticle The Nunc Dimittis



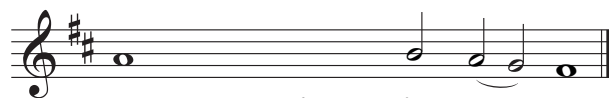
1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord-ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine__ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.

Post Communion Rite

As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup:



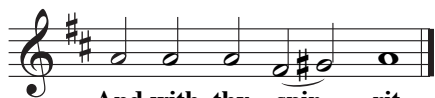
Ye do show the Lord's death till He__ come.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ...now and forever.



A ——— men.

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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 peace.



A-men, A-men, A - men.

Hymn No Tramp of Soldiers' Burgundy Hymn 444

During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

After the Processional Cross has left the nave, the Congregation departs.

Recessional Cortège (Queen Mary's Funeral Service) Henry Purcell

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Readings for Palm Sunday/The Sunday of the Passion

The Gospel for the Palm Sunday Procession is John 12:12-19

See the service bulletin. The Gospel text is read in the Great Hall.

The Old Testament Reading is Deuteronomy 32:36-39

The LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants,
when he sees that their power is gone
and there is none remaining, bond or free.
Then he will say, "Where are their gods,
the rock in which they took refuge,
who ate the fat of their sacrifices
and drank the wine of their drink offering?
Let them rise up and help you;
let them be your protection!
See now that I, even I, am he,
and there is no god beside me;
I kill and I make alive;
I wound and I heal;
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

The Epistle is Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Gospel is St. Luke, chapters 22 & 23

See the Passion insert. The Passion will be read responsively, the congregation reading in unison the parts in **bold**.

The Passion of Our Lord according to St. Luke

Chapters 22-23 English Standard Version

1. The Plot to Kill Jesus (22:1-2)

EVANGELIST: Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

2. Judas to Betray Jesus (22:3-6)

EVANGELIST: Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

3. The Passover with the Disciples (22:7-13)

EVANGELIST: Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying,

Jesus: “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.”

EVANGELIST: They said to him,

Disciples: “Where will you have us prepare it?”

EVANGELIST: He said to them,

Jesus: “Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters and tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.”

EVANGELIST: And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

4. Institution of the Lord’s Supper (22:14-23)

EVANGELIST: And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them,

Jesus: “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.”

EVANGELIST: And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said,

Jesus: “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”

EVANGELIST: And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

Jesus: “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

EVANGELIST: And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,

Jesus: “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!”

EVANGELIST: And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

5. Who Is the Greatest? (22:24-30)

EVANGELIST: A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. And he said to them,

Jesus: “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.

“You are those who have stayed with me in my trials, and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

6. Jesus Foretells Peter’s Denial (22:31-34)

Jesus: “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

EVANGELIST: Peter said to him,

Peter: “Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death.”

EVANGELIST: Jesus said,

Jesus: “I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me.”

7. Scripture Must Be Fulfilled in Jesus (22:35-38)

EVANGELIST: And he said to them,

Jesus: “When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything?”

EVANGELIST: They said,

Disciples: “Nothing.”

EVANGELIST: He said to them,

Jesus: “But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors.’ For what is written about me has its fulfillment.”

EVANGELIST: And they said,

Disciples: “Look, Lord, here are two swords.”

EVANGELIST: And he said to them,

Jesus: “It is enough.”

8. Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives (22:39-46)

EVANGELIST: And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. And when he came to the place, he said to them,

Jesus: “Pray that you may not enter into temptation.”

EVANGELIST: And he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, and knelt down and prayed, saying,

Jesus: “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”

EVANGELIST: And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when he rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow, and he said to them,

Jesus: “Why are you sleeping? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation.”

9. Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus (22:47-53)

EVANGELIST: While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He drew near to Jesus to kiss him,

but Jesus said to him,

Jesus: “Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?”

EVANGELIST: And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said,

Disciples: “**Lord, shall we strike with the sword?**”

EVANGELIST: And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

Jesus: “No more of this!”

EVANGELIST: And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him,

Jesus: “Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness.”

10. Peter Denies Jesus (22:54-62)

EVANGELIST: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest’s house, and Peter was following at a distance. And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. Then a servant girl, seeing him as he sat in the light and looking closely at him, said,

Servant Girl: “**This man also was with him.**”

EVANGELIST: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: “**Woman, I do not know him.**”

EVANGELIST: And a little later someone else saw him and said,

First Bystander: “**You also are one of them.**”

EVANGELIST: But Peter said,

Peter: “**Man, I am not.**”

EVANGELIST: And after an interval of about an hour still another insisted, saying,

Second Bystander: “**Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean.**”

EVANGELIST: But Peter said,

Peter: “**Man, I do not know what you are talking about.**”

EVANGELIST: And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, “Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

11. Jesus Is Mocked (22:63-65)

EVANGELIST: Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking him as they beat him. They also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

Guards: “**Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?**”

EVANGELIST: And they said many other things against him, blaspheming him.

12. Jesus Before the Council (22:66-71)

EVANGELIST: When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people gathered together, both chief priests and scribes. And they led him away to their council, and they said,

Chief Priest and Scribes: “**If you are the Christ, tell us.**”

EVANGELIST: But he said to them,

Jesus: “If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I ask you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man shall be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”

EVANGELIST: So they all said,

Chief Priest and Scribes: “Are you the Son of God, then?”

EVANGELIST: And he said to them,

Jesus: “You say that I am.”

EVANGELIST: Then they said,

Chief Priest and Scribes: “What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips.”

13. Jesus Before Pilate (23:1-5)

EVANGELIST: Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying,

Chief Priest and Scribes: “We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.”

EVANGELIST: And Pilate asked him,

Pilate: “Are you the King of the Jews?”

EVANGELIST: And he answered him,

Jesus: “You have said so.”

EVANGELIST: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Pilate: “I find no guilt in this man.”

EVANGELIST: But they were urgent, saying,

Chief Priest and Scribes: “He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place.”

14. Jesus Before Herod (23:6-16)

EVANGELIST: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he belonged to Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him over to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had long desired to see him, because he had heard about him, and he was hoping to see some sign done by him. So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, and said to them,

Pilate: “You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. I will therefore punish and release him.”

15. Pilate Delivers Jesus to Be Crucified (23:18-25)

EVANGELIST: But they all cried out together,

Crowd: “Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”

EVANGELIST: — a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, but they kept shouting,

Crowd: “Crucify, crucify him!”

EVANGELIST: A third time he said to them,

Pilate: “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving

death. I will therefore punish and release him.”

EVANGELIST: But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

16. The Crucifixion (23:26-43)

EVANGELIST: And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. But turning to them Jesus said,

Jesus: “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

EVANGELIST: Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said,

Jesus: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

EVANGELIST: And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying,

Rulers: “**He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!**”

EVANGELIST: The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying,

Soldiers: “**If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!**”

EVANGELIST: There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying,

First Criminal: “**Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!**”

EVANGELIST: But the other rebuked him, saying,

Second Criminal: “**Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.**”

EVANGELIST: And he said,

Second Criminal: “**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**”

EVANGELIST: And he said to him,

Jesus: “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

17. The Death of Jesus (23:44-49)

EVANGELIST: It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun’s light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said,

Jesus: “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!”

EVANGELIST: And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying,

Centurion: “**Certainly this man was innocent!**”

EVANGELIST: And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

18. Jesus Is Buried (23:50-56)

EVANGELIST: Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

Ride On, Ride On In Majesty

Lutheran Worship - Hymn 105

1. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty!
2. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty!
3. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty!
4. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty!
5. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty!

Hear all the tribes ho - san - na cry;
In low - ly pomp ride on to die.
The wing - ed squad - rons of the sky
Your last and fierc - est strife is nigh.
In low - ly pomp ride on to die.

O Sav - ior meek, pur - sue your road
O Christ, your tri - umphs now be - gin
Look down with sad and won - d'ring eyes
The Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne
Bow your meek head to mor - tal pain,

With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
A - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
Then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Hymns for Palm Sunday/ Sunday of the Passion

LSB442 All Glory, Laud and Honor

Theodulf of Orléans

In the Service Bulletin

LSB438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

Paul Gerhardt

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1. A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth, The guilt of sinners bearing;
And, laden with the sins of earth, None else the burden sharing;
Goes patient on, grows weak and faint,
To slaughter led without complaint, That spotless life to offer,
He bears the stripes, the wounds, the lies,
The mockery, and yet replies, "All this I gladly suffer."
2. This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The Lamb of God, our Savior,
Whom God the Father chose to send To gain for us His favor.
"Go forth, My Son," the Father said,
"And free My children from their dread Of guilt and condemnation.
The wrath and stripes are hard to bear,
But by Your passion they will share The fruit of Your salvation."
3. "Yes, Father, yes, most willingly I'll bear what You command Me.
My will conforms to Your decree, I'll do what You have asked Me."
O wondrous Love, what have You done!
The Father offers up His Son, Desiring our salvation.
O Love, how strong You are to save!
You lay the One into the grave Who built the earth's foundation.
4. Lord, when Your glory I shall see And taste Your kingdom's pleasure,
Your blood my royal robe shall be, My joy beyond all measure!
When I appear before Your throne,
Your righteousness shall be my crown; With these I need not hide me.
And there, in garments richly wrought,
As Your own bride shall we be brought To stand in joy beside You.

LSB443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Jeanette Threlfall

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple The lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, The simplest and the best.

2. From Olivet they followed Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving And chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven Rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children Should on His bidding wait.
3. “Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heav’n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence Eternally rejoice!

LSB 441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Henry H. Milman

Sung to the tune The King’s Majesty, *Lutheran Worship* 105; see p. 6 of the Passion insert.

1. Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
2. Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O’er captive death and conquered sin.
3. Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond’ring eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.
4. Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne
Awaits His own anointed Son.
5. Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy pow’r, and reign.

LSB444 No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet

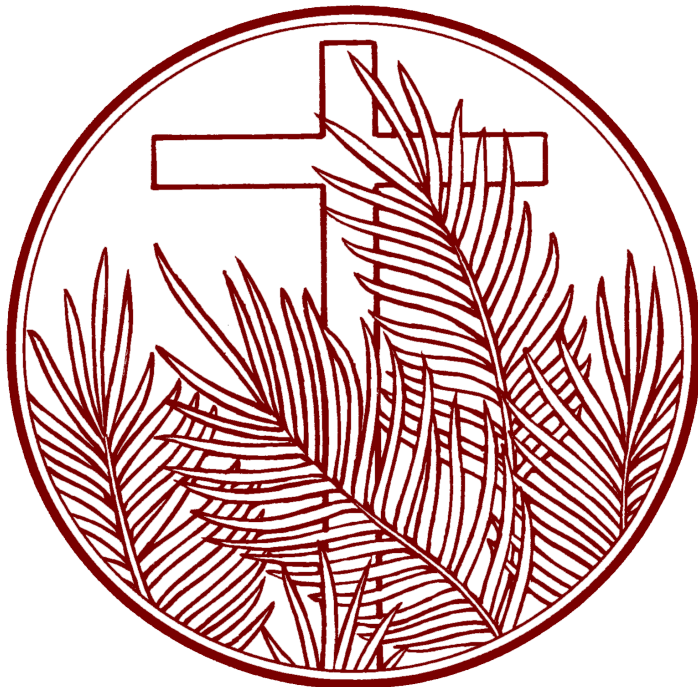
Timothy Dudley-Smith

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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!"

Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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- Responds to God's love in Christ by
 - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
 - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

The Pastoral Ministry at Zion

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Matthew Harrison, Nathaniel Demlow

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Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Cathie Wakeland (Literacy Coach), Lee Buxton (PE)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution, including Bishop Juhana Pohjola and Dr. Päivi Räsänen
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Matthew Harrison and Nate Demlow, and for Paul Mroczenski vicaring in Puerto Rico
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care, especially Marq Rogers
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Nate Demlow, Debra Busche, Carl Albersmeyer, Sarah Hollman, Richard Lammert, Connie Houser, Estella Ramirez, Bill Weinrich, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Elaine Seifert, Bob Ockree, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Marissia White, Gary Phillips, David Groth, Gary Castle, Ron Rastl, Robert & Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for Passion Sunday with a Palm Sunday procession. The Altar Vases are given by an anonymous donor to the glory of God in praise of the Lord. Please complete an attendance communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

April 13, 2025 thru April 19, 2025

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service (Palm Sunday)	Church
MON.			
TUES.			
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
THURS.	7:00 PM	Holy Thursday Service	Church
FRI.	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service	Church
SAT.	7:00 PM	Great Vigil of Easter	Church

April 20, 2025 (Easter Sunday)

SUN.	7:45 AM	Easter Breakfast	Bauer Hall
	9:00 AM	Festival Divine Service	Church
	11:00 AM	Easter Egg Hunt for the little ones (age 5 and under)	Outside

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR is on "summer break" during our beautification/renovation project in church. We hope to be able to pick things back up after the Easter feast with Dr. Voelz' class on the Gospel according to St. Mark meeting in Bauer Hall. A second adult/young adult/teenage class will begin April 27 also. It will meet in the conference room, unless we outgrow it. This

class will take up our Lutheran Identity using Dr. Gene Veith's new book *Embracing Your Lutheran Identity*. We're ready. The books are here.

THANKS to everyone who helped with Zion's annual clean up. Praise be to the Lord for His willing workers.

SURVEY: The Council of Elders has decided to do a Congregational Survey associated with Re:Vitality, an LCMS program that may be able to strengthen our congregation and help us grow in membership. We'll be gathering information through the CADDs survey (Congregational Assessment of Development/Decline Status) starting today through May 4. The preferred way to take the survey is online (lcms.cadds.alchemer.com/s3/&cong=C331117). You may also fill out a paper copy of the survey, but then we'll have to get someone to input the responses. In order to make the most of Re:Vitality, we need your input to know where to start. We are asking everyone to go online and fill out a simple survey about our church. We want input from every one of you. It makes no difference if you have been a churchgoer all your life, or whether you just started coming this week, whether you are a member, a guest, or a regular attendee – we want to hear from each one of you. To access the survey, you may use the QR code on the bulletin insert, click on the link in the email sent to you, or type the web address above in your computer's browser. Your responses to the survey will be completely anonymous. No one will know your name. And no one here will see any of the individual responses. It is important that you are honest so that we can have an accurate assessment of where our church is and answer the question, "Where are we...really?" If you have no knowledge about a particular survey question, you may skip it. A skipped question with a blank answer will not affect the final survey report. Thank you for your participation.

SAVE THE DATE: on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, Zion will be taking part in getting an updated Church picture directory. Melvia will be in the Great Hall again this Sunday, signing people up to have their pictures taken. Please stop by and let her know the time slot that you want.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Romans 5:8—"God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Last week's verse was Galatians 6:14.

CLHS is looking for teachers — math, science, technology, visual art, JROTC, and study center assistant. To apply for an open position, please send resume and cover letter to 1601 St. Joe River Dr., Fort Wayne, 46805 or go to www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/employment.

EMMAUS NEEDS TEACHERS FOR NEXT YEAR Emmaus Lutheran School (www.emmauslutheranfw.org/) is looking for a 5th grade and middle school teacher. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please call the school office at 260-459-7722 and ask for Esther Spanos or email principal@emmauslutheranfw.org for more information.

WE CAN FACE COMPETING PRIORITIES when we think about planning our estates. This month we think of the tension that is produced by differing opinions of family members. Sometimes parents create an estate plan later in life that includes some gifts that will support ministry or other charities, never telling their children. When the first spouse is called home to Jesus, children often get involved in the estate plan and might contradict the original plan. The solution for this is to communicate your estate plan to future heirs now. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Here in the Indiana District, contact Mark Muehl at 260-241-4845 or mark.muehl@lfind.org.

THE LCMS FOUNDATION has the following opportunities available for employment: Vice President for Investment Services, Gift Processing Support Specialist, Gift Processing Specialist, and a Gift Planning Counselor for the Upper Midwest. Please visit www.lcmsfoundation.org/careers for more information.

RLNI: Have a passion for helping women choose life? Join us Tuesday, April 22nd, 2025, from 9am-Noon at 3106 Lake Ave, for Sidewalk Advocate Training and learn how to save lives in Northeast Indiana. The training center is located behind the main office building. Learn how peacefully, prayerfully, and lovingly to approach people outside our local Planned Parenthood and redirect them to life-affirming alternatives in our community. This 3-hour introductory training will empower you to turn your passion into action. There is no cost to participate. Snacks provided.

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** — They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** — They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** — They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

Luke 22:1–23:56

Hebrews 2:1-18

Hebrews 3:1-19

Hebrews 4:1-16

Hebrews 5:1-14

Hebrews 6:1-20

Hebrews 7:1-22

DAILY LECTIONARY

Palm Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Deut. 32:36-39

Exodus 9:1-28

Exodus 9:29–10:20

Exodus 10:21–11:10

Exodus 12:1-28

Exodus 12:29-32; 13:1-16

Exodus 13:17–14:9

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Richard, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Your mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Easter Festival – The Resurrection of Our Lord

Isaiah 65:17-25

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Luke 24:1-12



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Making Men Sinners to Make Them Just

[God] cannot come to ... his proper work [namely, “to create righteousness, peace, mercy, truth, patience, kindness, joy, and health” (p. 18)] unless he undertakes a work that is alien and contrary to himself, as Isa, 28 [:21] says: An alien work is his that he may work his own work. His alien work, however, is to make men sinners, unrighteous, liars, miserable, foolish, lost. Not that he actually makes them such himself, but that the pride of men, although they are such, will not let them become or be such, so much so that God makes use of a greater disturbance, indeed, he uses this work solely to show them that they are such, in order that they may become in their own eyes, what they are in God’s eyes. Therefore, since he can make just only those who are not just, he is compelled to perform an alien work in order to make them sinners, before he performs his proper work of justification. Thus he says, “I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal” [Deut. 32:39]. But they who deem themselves just and wise and think they are somebody are most violently hostile to this alien work, which is the cross of Christ and our Adam. For they do not want what is theirs to be despised and regarded as foolish and evil, that is, they do not want their Adam to be killed. So they do not come to God’s proper work, which is justification or the resurrection of Christ.

God’s alien work, therefore, is the suffering of Christ and sufferings in Christ, the crucifixion of the old man and the mortification of Adam. God’s proper work, however, is the resurrection of Christ, justification in the Spirit, and the vivification of the new man, as Rom. 4 [:25] says: Christ died for our sins and was raised for our justification. Thus, conformity with the image of the Son of God [cf. Rom. 8:29] includes both of these works.
Luther’s Works, 51:19.

As many of you know, Marq Rogers was diagnosed with Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma back in 2020. It was located only in his neck, but over the past several years, it has spread to his lungs. Marq has gone through numerous radiation treatments and surgeries these past few years. Back in July, Marq had a lobectomy to remove some nodules in his right lung. As of February 2024, the nodules in his lungs have increased in size and number. The doctors shared with Marq earlier this month that there is nothing else that can be done. Marq entered hospice care at his home earlier this week. Marq's medical needs are being met via Heartland Home Health Care but Marq and his family could use some love in the form of meals.

Marq, in particular, can tolerate soft foods (pasta, pizza, soup) he does enjoy smoothies as well. If you would be able to bless Marq, Alesa and the entire family with a meal please sign up. **Please contact Alesa prior to stopping by with your meal. You can reach her at 260-702-2169.**

Please plan your meal to feed 5-6 people, as there are many family stopping in to help care for Marq and spend time with him.

Address: 2327 Weisser Park Avenue, Fort Wayne

RE:VITALITY

BECAUSE WE'RE THE CHURCH

The LCMS Re:Vitality program is offering us the opportunity to do a self-assessment to see how their resources can benefit us.

In order to participate, we need you to fill out a simple online survey. We need honest feedback from anyone connected to our congregation, *especially you!*

Thank you for submitting your thoughtful and honest responses by **5/4/2025!**



LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

Please pray for these students/staff:

All Staff

All Faculty

All Students



Phil's Friends Care Packages

Phil's Friends is an organization that supports adults with cancer. LSUS chapel offerings will be supporting this organization this month. We are also collecting items to donate. Help us in our collection:

Items to be collected:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• lip balm/chapstick• fuzzy socks-women's only• 5 oz. bottles of fragrance-free lotion• decks of playing cards• tissue packs | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• puzzle books (crosswords, sudoku, etc.)• single toothbrushes and 5 oz. toothpaste• journals (5x7) - not spiral bound |
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Saturday, May 3, 2025

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Sunday, April 27
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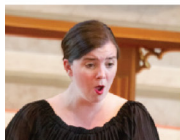
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Sun Nov 10 at 4 pm – Concert I Zion Lutheran Church, 2313 S. Hanna St., Fort Wayne

Ashlee Bickley, *mezzo-soprano*
Daniel McGrew, *tenor*
Edward Vogel, *baritone*
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Sung Lee, *oboe/oboe d'amore*

J.S. Bach: *Ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest mich denn*, BWV 157

J.S. Bach: *Ich armer Mensch, ich Sündenknecht*, BWV 55

J. Brahms: *Warum ist das Licht gegeben dem Mühseligen*, Op. 74, No. 1 [a cappella]

J.S. Bach: *Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin*, BWV 125

Sun Dec 1 at 2 pm – *Messiah* Sing-Along Queen of Angels Catholic Church, 1500 W. State St., Fort Wayne

The joy of singing *Messiah* is open for everyone in our annual *Messiah* Sing-Along, with **Thomas Remenschneider** directing. Bring your own score or borrow a copy we will have available. Holiday cookies will be served.

Sun February 16 at 4 pm – Concert II Trinity Lutheran Church, 1636 St. Mary's Ave., Fort Wayne

Sarah Shafer, *soprano*
Ashlee Bickley, *mezzo-soprano*
Jonathan Busarow, *tenor*
Keith Brautigam, *baritone*
Brad Tatum, *corni da tirarsi*
Sung Lee, *oboe/oboe d'amore*
Luke Conklin, *oboe/oboe d'amore/recorder*

J.S. Bach: *Herr, wie du willst, so schick's mit mir*, BWV 73

J.S. Bach: *Komm, du süße Todesstunde*, BWV 161

A. Bruckner: *Motets; selection* [a cappella]

Zwei Totenlieder, No. 1, WAB 47

Vexilla regis, WAB 51

Zwei Totenlieder, No. 2, WAB 48

J.S. Bach: *Christus, der ist mein Leben*, BWV 95

Sun April 27 at 4 pm – Concert III Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 917 W. Jefferson Blvd., Ft. Wayne

Sarah Shafer, *soprano*
Ashlee Bickley, *mezzo-soprano*
Mark Vogel, *tenor*
Edward Vogel, *baritone*

Esteban Hernandez Parra, *viola*
Sung Lee, *oboe/oboe d'amore*
Jenni Kirby, *oboe/oboe d'amore*

J.S. Bach: *Wer da gläubet und getauft wird*, BWV 37

J.S. Bach: *Alles nur nach Gottes Willen*, BWV 72

U.W.v. Wassenauer: *Concerto armonico III in A major* [instrumental]

M. Durufle: *Tantum ergo*, Op. 10, No. 4 [a cappella]

T. Kverno: *Corpus Christi Carol* [a cappella]

J.S. Bach: *Mein liebster Jesu ist verloren*, BWV 154

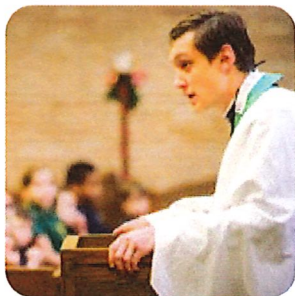


"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now," writes St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians (PHIL. 1:3).

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With this same gratitude, we thank the more than 11,000 church workers who serve our Synod with the Word and mercy of Christ. Throughout this month, congregations and schools are encouraged to show their appreciation for all church workers.

For teachers especially we give thanks, who teach God's Word to our children, dedicate countless hours to the classroom, who love the children of God they teach and who live a life of service to Christ and His church.



For all church workers, from pastors to deaconesses to directors of Christian education, parish music, family life and outreach, who teach God's Word and point us to Christ. Tell them "Thank you!" this month for all they do!



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