

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Palm Sunday



The King of Glory comes in humility to raise us up from humility to glory.



"I rejoiced with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the LORD."" Psalm 122:1



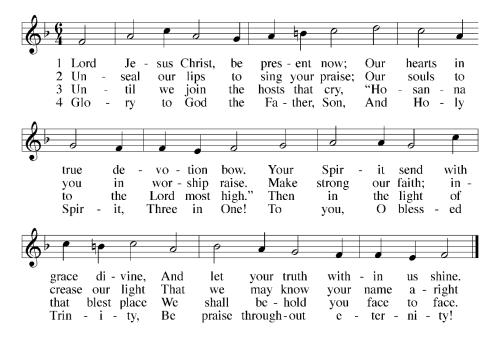
Lord of Love Lutheran Church

March 28, 2021

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN (CW 230)

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now



Text: Lutherische Hand-Büchlein, 2nd ed., Altenburg, 1648; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, DICH ZU UNS WEND (LM) Cantionale Germanicum, Gochsheim, 1628.

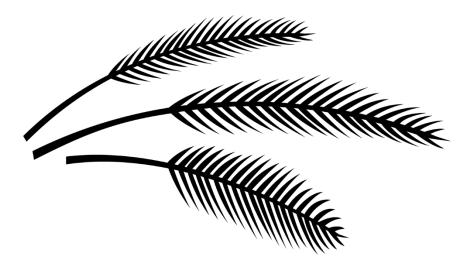
STAND

- **M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- **M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



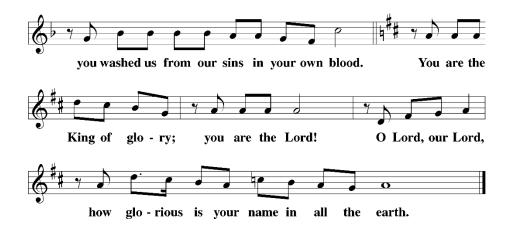
M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

Kyrie





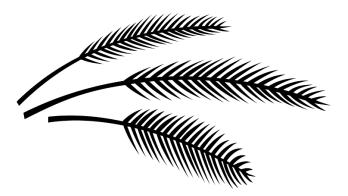
PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm 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.



BE SEATED





THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10

⁹Rejoice greatly, Daughter of Zion!
Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!
Look! Your King is coming to you.
He is righteous and brings salvation.
He is humble and is riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the horse from Jerusalem.
The battle bow will be taken away,
and he will proclaim peace to the nations.
His kingdom will extend from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.

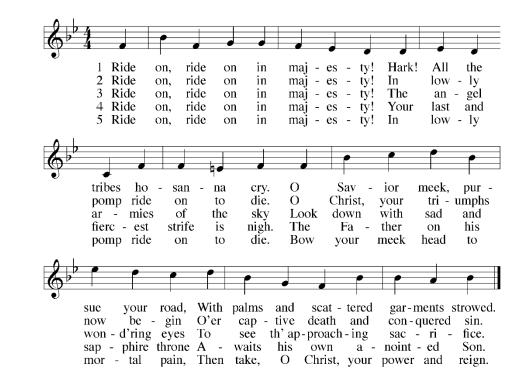
SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Indeed, let this attitude be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. ⁶Though he was by nature God, he did not consider equality with God as a prize to be displayed, ⁷but he emptied himself by taking the nature of a servant. When he was born in human likeness, and his appearance was like that of any other man, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (John 12:23)



HYMN (CW 133) Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt. Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt.



SERMON

¹As they approached Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, on the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and told them, "Go into the village ahead of you. As soon as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it, and he will send it back here without delay.'"

⁴They left and found a colt on the street, tied at a door; and they untied it. ⁵Some who were standing there asked them, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶The disciples answered them just as Jesus had instructed them, and the men let them go.

⁷They brought the colt to Jesus, threw their garments on it, and Jesus sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their garments on the road. Others spread branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹Those who went in front and those who followed were crying out,

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!

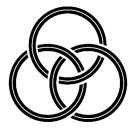
The Royal Treatment

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

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

We praise you, Father, that you have sent your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of your great salvation, show to us the answer to your people's prayers of "Hosanna," "save now," in the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

- C: Hear our prayer.
- M: Uphold this world in your order. Preserve the Church and the preaching of your Word against all enemies. Bless our homes, that parents and children may serve one another faithfully and grow in instruction and faith until life's end. Give health and wisdom to all who serve in public office, that their authority may be exercised for the benefit of our people. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.
- M: We bring before you the sick, distressed and needy [especially _____]. Give your abiding comfort in every circumstance, that in Christ we shall not die but live, and declare his works. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.
- M: Look with favor on all communicants at your table. Grant that they would come penitently and in faith to eat your Son's true body and drink his blood for the forgiveness of sins. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.
- M: Lord God, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising his victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from his ascension before you, where he ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to you alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The recorded service for members at home concludes here as we conclude the service of the Word. We continue with the service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.

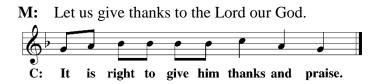


THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them up to the Lord.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

The congregation remains standing and sings:

HYMN (CW 131) All Glory, Laud, and Honor (sts. 1 & 5)

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.

5 All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring. As you received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 762-821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-66, alt.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

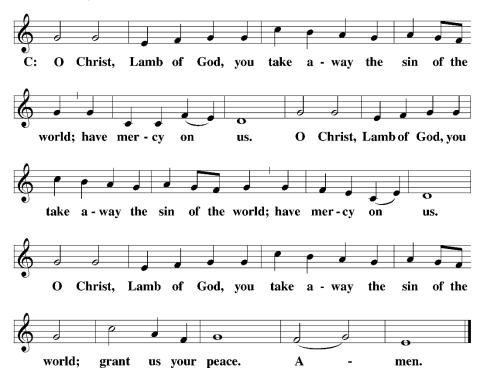
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD





BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

To limit the proximity of our members and reduce the possibility of transmitting disease, we are asking our communicants to approach the chancel steps by families. If your family is seated closer to the center aisle, you may come to the table closer to the Baptismal font. If your family is seated closer to a side aisle, you may come to the table farther from the font. Please wait until the family ahead of you has communed and returned to their seats before approaching.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 100) **A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth** 1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, Our guilt and 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The Lamb of 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'11 bear what 4 From morn till eve, in all Ι do. I'll praise you, vil lad - en with the sins of carth. e bear - ing And. God, our Sav - ior; Him God the Fa - ther chose to send your de-cree; My will con-forms to you com - mand me. Christ, my trea - sure. To sac - ri - fice my - self for you None else the bur den shar - ing. Goes pa - tient on, fa - vor. To gain for us his "Go forth, my Son," asked me." **I'll** do what you have 0 won - drous Love, Shall my aim and My be plea - sure. stream of life d grows weak and faint, То slaugh-ter led with - out com-plaint, "And free my chil - dren from their dread the Fa - ther said, what have you done! The Fa - ther of - fers up his Son, shall ev - er be А cur - rent flow - ing cease-less - ly, life That spot - less to of - fer, Bears shame and stripes guilt and wrath and stripes Of con - dem - na - tion. The De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. 0 Love, how strong Ľ Your con - stant praise out - pour - ing. trea - sure in and wounds and death, An - guish and mock - er - y and says, But by your pas - sion they will share are hard to bear. to save! You make his bed with - in the grave you are mem - o - ry. 0 Lord, all you have done for me. my a "Will - ing fer." all I this suf tion." The fruit of your sal - va Who built the earth's foun - da tion. Your gra - cious love a - dor ing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: AN WASSERFLÜSSEN BABYLON (87 87 887 887) Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553.

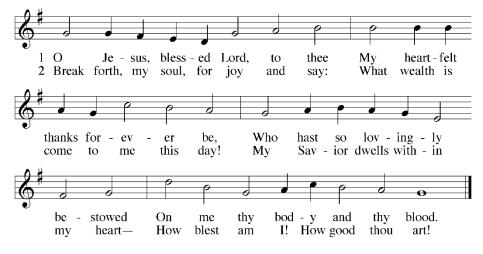


THANKSGIVING

The congregation stands and sings.

HYMN (CW 316)

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851–1928. Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (LM) Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551.

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 130)

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (next page)

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1821–80, alt. Tune: ELLACOMBE (76 76 D) Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzogl . . . Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784, alt.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

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 rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

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.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Sunday March 28: Palm Sunday The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am (Please sign up prior.) Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion At-Home Sunday School #10: Jesus Dies on the Cross

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz
 Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilmen: Mike Wilson (9:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers: Sef Fox (9:00 am) & Mark Heath (10:30 am)
- Altar Guild: Mandi Miller A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

Thursday April 1: Maundy Thursday Worship - 6:30 pm

- Pastor: Joel Jenswold preaching
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Usher: Greg Zeman (6:30)
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

Friday April 2: Good Friday Worship – 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm

- Pastor: Michael Willitz preaching
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Usher: Gene Freund (6:30)
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

Saturday April 3: Easter Family Walk

Drop in anytime between 10:00 am – 12 noon. Outdoors rain or shine.

• Volunteers arrive between 7:30 & 8:00 am for setup

Sunday April 4: Easter Sunday

No Family Altar Devotion today

Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am (Please sign up prior.) Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion At-Home Sunday School #11: Jesus Enemies Deny His Resurrection

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold
 Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilmen: *TBA* (9:00) and *TBA* (10:30)
- Ushers: *TBA* (9:00 am) & *TBA* (10:30 am)
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold A/V & Recording: Jon Eckelberg

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Ben Pluim (3/28), Drew Freund (3/29), Nicole Meadowcroft (4/2), Kevin Hill (4/3) and Kristin Huebner (4/3) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Jack Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Maundy Thursday Worship - April 1

6:30 pm

Good Friday Worship - April 2

1:00 pm and 6:30 pm

Easter Family Walk – April 3

10:00 - 12:00 noon



Easter - April 4

Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am (Please sign up) Worship 9:00 and 10:30 am

No one will be turned away.

(The 9:00 service will be live-streamed and can be watched downstairs as overflow.)



Saturday April 3

Stop by anytime between 10:00 - 12:00 noon.

Our congregation and community is invited.

- We need to borrow 10 12 pop up tents (size 10 x 10 to 12 x 12) for the morning. Let the church office know if you can loan us one.
- We need volunteers to monitor the stations in a non-contact way. Contact the church office if you can help. Volunteers should arrive between 7:30 8:00 am to begin setting up.
- We are in need of candy donations to fill the eggs. Candy can be placed in the collection bin in the fellowship area.

No need to sign up, just come join us! Invite your neighbor.

Air Purification System installed at church: On Thursday (3/25), a local contractor installed 4 air purification systems at church. (One on each furnace in the building. There are 3 upstairs and 1 downstairs. A 5^{th} unit will be installed in our new addition in the future.) Each air purifier is located in the air duct by the furnace and treats the air when the fan for the furnace or air conditioner is running. The units proactively treat all air as it circulates. The air purifier uses UV light technology that reduce airborne and surface microbials, bacteria, viruses, mold, smoke and volatile organic compounds. The purifiers are mercury free, zero ozone compliant, and do not make any noise.