

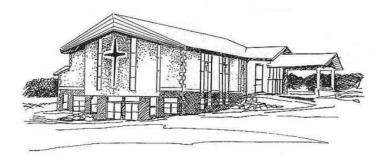
Palm Sunday



Blessed is He who Comes in the Name of the Lord!



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



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

April 2, 2023

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT



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

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.



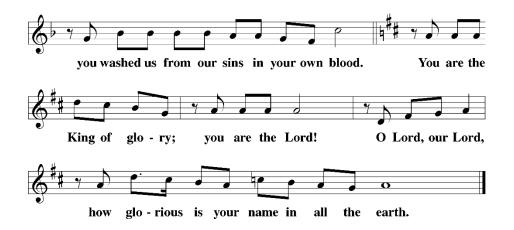
M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



Kyrie



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



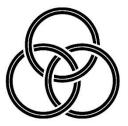
PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

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



BE SEATED





THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10

⁹ Rejoice 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.
¹⁰ I 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.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Jerusalem, Behold Your King!

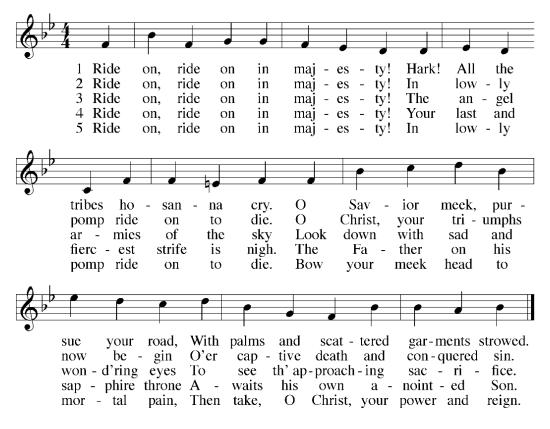
SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

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

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

Matthew 21:1-11

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² telling them, "Go to the village ahead of you. Immediately you will find a donkey tied there along with her colt. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you are to say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once."

⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ Tell the daughter of Zion: Look, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ⁶ The disciples went and did just as Jesus commanded them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their outer clothing on them, and he sat on it. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their outer clothing on the road. Others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them out on the road. ⁹ The crowds who went in front of him and those who followed kept shouting,

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

¹⁰ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds were saying, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

The Palm Sunday Question: "Who is This?"



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THE THANKOFFERING

During the collection of the offering, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That the preaching of the Holy Gospel and the administration of his Sacraments would convert those who do not yet know Christ in every mission field around the world; that the Lord would bless and protect missionaries and their families, especially in hostile places; and that he would banish from us any prejudice that might hinder our mission work here or abroad, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all Christian fathers, that receiving Christ and trusting his atoning sacrifice, they may be enlivened to sacrificial love for their children, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in authority over us, that in the fulfillment of their duties they may have the same mind as Christ, our King, who laid down his life for his people, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who suffer illness or physical disability, *[especially ______,]* that God would bless them according to his gracious will, and that we may serve their bodily needs; and for those who mourn the death of loved ones, *[especially _____,]* that they would have peace and comfort in his Holy Word, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For worthy reception of Christ's body and blood, that as he entered Jerusalem to cries of "hosanna," so we may receive him according to his promises for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

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 us the answer to your people's prayers of "hosanna," in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **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 SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



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



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 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



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."

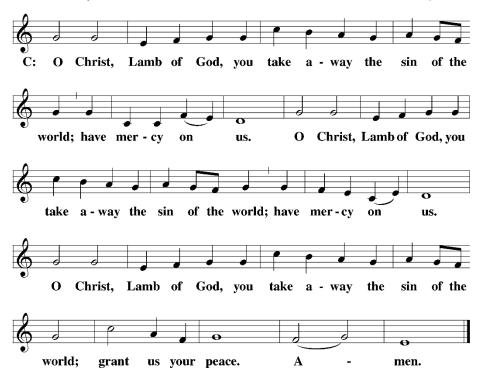
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 716)

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet



DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 370)



Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–92, st. 1-3, abr., alt.; A Selection of Hymns, London, 1787, st. 4-5, alt. Tune: CORONATION (86 86 86) Oliver Holden, 1765–1844.



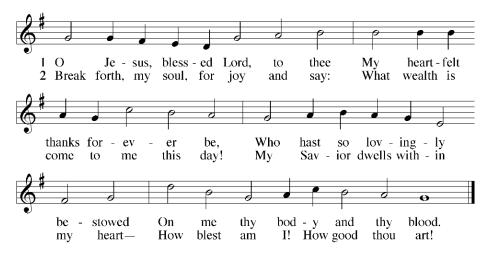
THANKSGIVING

STAND

THANK THE LORD

During Lent we will not sing the usual "Thank the Lord" because of its inclusion of the word "alleluia." In its place we sing CW 316.

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 131 v. 4-5)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor, To you, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children, Made sweet hosannas ring. To you before your passion, They sang their hymns of praise; To you, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.

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.

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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.



April 2, Palm Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am

April 6, Maundy Thursday Worship 6:30 pm (Fill Easter eggs after.)

> April 7, Good Friday Worship 1:00 & 6:30 pm

April 8

Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 am (Basement set-up for Easter breakfast begins at noon.)

April 9, Easter Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am Easter breakfast at 9:15 am

Sunday April 2: Palm Sunday Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Teen Group and Sunday School

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Choir Director: Elaine Wilson
- Councilman/elder: Joe Hornbeck (8:00) and Andy Holzman (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Lynn Biwer and Roger LaGrange
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Kim Bauer and Mike Wilson
- Refreshments: Barb Schade and June Thayer
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

11:30 am: Strategic Planning Worship Group Mtg.

Thursday April 6: Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion, 6:30 pm

- Pastor Jacob Scott
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Ushers 6:30 pm: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold A/V & R

• A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

7:30 pm: Fill Easter Eggs

Friday April 7: Good Friday Worship 1:00 and 6:30 pm

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Ushers 6:30 pm: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

Sunday April 9: The Resurrection of our Lord Easter Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion 0:15 am: Easter Preakfast downstains

9:15 am: Easter Breakfast, downstairs

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Choir Director: Elaine Wilson
- Children's Choir Director: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/elder: Mike Wilson (8:00) and Steve Kalscheuer (10:30)
- Ushers 8:00 am: Sef Fox, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman

- Counters: Donna Cotter and Sharon Kalscheuer
- Easter Breakfast Coordinators: Cindy & Paul Crary
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Nicole Meadowcroft (4/2), Kevin Hill (4/3), Rebekah Hodkiewicz (4/6), Jerry Punzel (4/6), Jessica Schwark (4/6), Sandy Heath (4/8) and Roger Timm (4/8) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Heather & Ryan Jaeger (4/8) who celebrate their anniversary on Saturday.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Erica Willitz 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).

Easter Flower Donations: The altar guild is asking for donations of potted flowers to decorate our sanctuary for Easter Worship. Suggested flowers include Easter lilies, tulips, daffodils, hyacinth, and other spring blooms. Donations can be brought to church by April 8. The altar guild will maintain the flowers and arrange them for Easter. Donated flowers can be taken home after the Easter services. If you would like to donate towards the purchase flowers, place your donation in the envelope in the church office.

Community Easter Egg Hunt – April 8 at 10:00 am: This activity is a great time to invite family, neighbors, and friends at school to join us. Children of all ages are invited to participate. You do not need to sign up ahead of time and there is no cost. The morning starts with a devotion with Pr. Jenswold and then heads outside to collect eggs. Fun activities are for after the children have found their eggs. Bring your Easter basket.

Volunteers are needed to help that morning - set up, assist with activities, and clean up after the event. If you would like to help, sign up at church or contact the church office. Volunteers arrive at 8:30 am and usually leave at 11:30. RaeLyn Parker is coordinating the event but plans to step down after this year. She would enjoy coordinating with someone else this year so they could "learn the ropes" and possibly help coordinate in the future.

Easter Breakfast 9:15 am: Plan to join us for our annual Easter breakfast. The meal will be downstairs between services on Easter. There are signup sheets as you enter church to volunteer to help that morning, and also to bring side dishes. Come hungry!

Offerings March 19 – 25:

- General Fund: \$6,773.01
- Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$360

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$7,997

Electronic Giving: You can give contributions to the church electronically through the Vanco Mobile app. Download the free app today in the **Google Play store** or the **Apple App store**. Find the church by searching for Lord of Love Lutheran Church in DeForest, or by its invite code, D4K54K.

(March 19 - 25: In the totals listed above, \$1,468 was given through Vanco to the general fund.)

Looking Ahead:

- April 1 30: Food Drive to support the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry
- April 29: Mystery Dinner, 6:00 pm
- May 7: Confirmation Worship Service, 10:30 am
- May 21: Last day of Sunday school and teen group
- July 1: Food Drive begins for the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry
- July 18: Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12:00 5:00 pm

