



# Palm Sunday



† **Sunday, April 13, 2025** †  
† **Palm Sunday** †  
† **Praise Service – 10:30 am** †

## **Welcome in Jesus' Name**

May God richly bless you as you worship Him. If you are a guest with us, we want you to feel welcome; you honor us with your presence, and we are glad to have you here. Please fill out the Attendance Registration form in your bulletin. Prayer requests can also be made on the same insert.

## **Holy Communion**

We celebrate the Lord's Supper as part of our worship service, on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month during the 8:30am service and the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday during the 10:30am service. We invite those who share our confession of faith, namely, that Jesus is truly present in, with & under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation to commune with us. Those who share a different confession or have not yet been instructed in the Lord's Supper are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. We offer individual cups. The light-colored cups in the center are grape juice instead of wine. Pastor will be available prior to the worship service to answer any questions about Holy Communion.

## **To Our Guests**

We often have guests in worship from all over the world. Please introduce yourself to Pastor or a Greeter before or after the worship service.

## **Restrooms**

Restrooms and changing tables are located out the back of the sanctuary and down the hallway.

Out of respect for your fellow worshippers & those who have diligently prepared for this worship service, we ask that you **silence your cell phones** & keep conversation to a minimum prior to the service.

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*Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by  
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## Prelude by Mark and Phil

### Welcome and Announcements

*Please stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **God, I was wrong. I have sinned against You and my neighbor through my words, thoughts, and actions. Therefore, I deserve nothing but Your wrath and punishment. Yet, I come forward with my whole heart to repent of my sins. Please, for the sake of Jesus Christ, forgive, renew, and strengthen me, so that I turn from my sinful ways and remain steadfast in Your word, truth, and love. In Jesus name. Amen.**

### Opening Song

*I Will Follow*

All Your ways are good  
All Your ways are sure  
I will trust in You alone  
Higher than my side  
High above my life  
I will trust in You alone

*(Chorus)*

Where You go, I'll go  
Where You stay, I'll stay  
When You move, I'll move  
I will follow You  
Who You love, I'll love  
How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose, I will follow You  
I will follow You

Light unto the world  
Light unto my life  
I will live for You alone  
You're the one I seek  
Knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone, in You alone

*(Chorus)*

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

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.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## Old Testament

*Deuteronomy 32:36-39*

- A** God will vindicate His people. The Old Testament lesson for this Palm Sunday is from Deuteronomy chapter 32:

<sup>36</sup> 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. <sup>37</sup> Then he will say, “Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, <sup>38</sup> 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!

<sup>39</sup> “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.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Philippians 2:5-11*

- A** Be Christ minded, and recognize that Christ is everything because of what He did for us. The Epistle is from Philippians chapter 2:

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** This is a time to ponder what Jesus did for us. His commitment was unwavering, and He put nothing higher than us. What is our response? Please remain seated and ponder that question as you hear these words from Luke chapter 23:

<sup>1</sup>Then the whole company of them arose and brought him before Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And they began to accuse him, saying, “We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding us to give tribute to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.” <sup>3</sup>And Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” And he answered him, “You have said so.” <sup>4</sup>Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no guilt in this man.” <sup>5</sup>But they were urgent, saying, “He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee even to this place.”

<sup>6</sup>When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>So he questioned him at some length, but he made no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at enmity with each other.

<sup>13</sup>Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, <sup>14</sup>and said to them, “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. <sup>15</sup>Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. <sup>16</sup>I will therefore punish and release him.”

<sup>18</sup>But they all cried out together, “Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”— <sup>19</sup>a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. <sup>20</sup>Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, <sup>21</sup>but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” <sup>22</sup>A third time he said to them, “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.” <sup>23</sup>But they were

urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup>So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup>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.

<sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. <sup>28</sup>But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>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!’ <sup>30</sup>Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup>For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

<sup>32</sup>Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup>and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

<sup>44</sup>It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, <sup>45</sup>while the sun’s light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” And having said this he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup>Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God,

saying, “Certainly this man was innocent!”<sup>48</sup> And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts.<sup>49</sup> And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

<sup>50</sup> 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,<sup>51</sup> who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God.<sup>52</sup> This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.<sup>53</sup> 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.<sup>54</sup> It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning.<sup>55</sup> The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid.<sup>56</sup> Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments.

On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

**P** This is the commitment of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C** To God be the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

*Please stand*

### **Apostles' Creed**

**P** In faith we believe; in faith we trust! Therefore, let us confess our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.**



*Please be seated*

**Song**

*How Deep the Father's Love For Us*

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

**Sermon**

*Wounded, bandaged, and done!*

**Offering**

*Please stand*

**Offertory**

*Be Glorified*

In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In my life Lord, be glorified today.

In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified!  
In Your church Lord, be glorified today.

## Committed to Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ

*During this time, we ask that all members who have filled out their commitment card and still have them with them, please come forward and place it on the altar. This should be filled out and placed in a sealed envelope. Once you have placed it on the altar, you are asked to remain upfront and stand around the Communion Rail. Upon the last commitment being placed, we ask that all members present that are able to come forward, please come and fill in around the Communion Rail. If not, then please remain in your seat as we proceed:*

Please **bring your bulletin** forward with you so that you can participate in the following:

### Committed to Christ

- P** We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.
- C** **And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep.**
- P** And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.”
- C** **And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.**
- P** And the men marveled, saying, “What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?” Let us pray...Lord God, despite the storms, this congregation has ferried through. Not by luck, but because it has remained anchored to Christ. As we set out on this journey, we pray that you would guide us by Your Spirit so that in all things we remain anchored to Christ, for we are members of His body and desire to serve the people within our community. Allow us through this campaign to strengthen our foundation first and foremost in You, and also the physical structure of our facility in order to maintain a true proclamation of Your Word, life, hope, and gift of salvation. In Jesus' holy name we pray.
- C** **Amen.**

- P** The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.
- C** **Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.**
- P** He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.
- C** **So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord,**
- P** for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.
- C** **So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.**
- P** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. Let us pray...Father of all compassion, and Giver of all blessings, we pray over these commitments and the members of Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church. We pray not in a sense seeking just gifts, but for the opportunities to serve You. We trust that this campaign will succeed in and only through You, and therefore, we ask for Your presence and blessings. Not just to fix our physical facility but so that we can strengthen our spiritual facility, that being our body, which is a temple of the Holy Spirit. Lead us, guide us, and show us the way in which You would have us go, so that this campaign is richly blessed in Your promises and richly blesses generations to come in Your Word and truth. All this we ask in the name of Jesus.
- C** **Amen.**

*Please return to your seats and remain standing*

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Preface**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.
- Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. 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. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

### **The Words of Our Lord**

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Proclamation of Christ

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

- C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen.**

## Agnus Dei - The Lamb

*LSB #547 sts. 1, ref, 2*

- 1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain
- ref Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!
- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain

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*Please be seated*

## Consider the following as you approach the table:

*God vindicates His people. Today, we heard the words of Christ from the cross, where He displayed His commitment to our salvation. It is only through the true body and blood that we are redeemed and saved. It requires true faith in Christ's promise. Therefore, if you believe Christ's promise, believe His true body and blood are present in this meal, and believe that you are a lost sinner without Christ's redeeming act, then come forward to receive God's gift of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Jesus said, "This is for you, for the forgiveness of sins."*

## Distribution

*Please stand*

## Song of Thanks

*Lord, I Lift*

Lord, I lift Your name on high Lord, I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth To show the way From the earth to the  
cross My debt to pay From the cross to the grave From the grave to the sky  
Lord, I lift Your name on high

*(Repeat all)*

## Prayer

**P** Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

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- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

## Closing Song

*Holiness*

Holiness, holiness is what I long for  
Holiness, holiness is what I need  
Holiness, holiness is what You want from me

*(Chorus)*

So take my heart, and form it  
Take my mind, transform it  
Take my will, conform it  
To Yours, to Yours, O Lord

Faithfulness, faithfulness is what I long for  
Faithfulness is what I need  
Faithfulness, faithfulness is what You want from me

*(Chorus)*

## The Dismissal

- P** Go in peace and serve the Lord
- C** Committed to "Building bright futures, Anchored in Christ."

## Postlude by Mark and Phil

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✠11:00 am / 7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday service

✠11:00 am / 7:00 pm – Good Friday service

✠ 7:00 am – Easter Sunrise Service

✠8:00 am – Easter Breakfast

✠9:00 am – A traditional worship service in the classic Lutheran liturgical style.

✠10:30 am – Praise Service – A contemporary worship service that is geared to families with young children.

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