

**The Sunday of the Passion**  
**Palm Sunday**

April 10, 2022



Holy Spirit Lutheran Church  
Lancaster, PA

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*Welcome to worship. If you are visiting with us, a special welcome. We invite you to return and worship with us as often as you are able. Please sign the guest book in the narthex. Guest cards are also available. Please take one, fill it out and return it to an usher. The offering box is by the baptismal font to receive your gift of an offering. If you need a large print bulletin, please ask an usher. As you enter the nave, please conclude all conversations and silence all cell phones and other electronic devices, as to fully enter into this time of worship.*

*Please note the instructions on distancing for the sharing of the peace (page 14) and receiving Holy Communion. (page 17)*

*Please indicate to the pastor if you require gluten free wafers, prior to worship, if possible.*

## **The Great and Holy Week**

St. Augustine called Holy Week the Great Week because of the great things that were accomplished during these days. By the powerful and dramatic liturgies of the great week, Christians share in the events they celebrate.

The purpose of Holy Week is to set the facts of the Gospel before all who come to worship; but it must be emphasized that this should not be taken to mean that Holy Week is merely an occasion for pious remembrance. It is more than a series of commemorations of past events recalled to mind; it is the means whereby the worshippers participate in the saving events. We should not think of it as a number of ceremonies at which the faithful are present, but as a unified sequence of sacramental acts whereby they commit themselves afresh to Christ, and share anew his death and resurrection.

Unless the Church can learn to identify itself with Christ and his death and resurrection, unless it can, on Palm Sunday, approach his victory through death, die with him on Good Friday and rise with him at his resurrection, it cannot accomplish its mission, which is not only to proclaim the good news, but also to embody it and to make it the pattern of its corporate life, even as Christ himself not only proclaimed the Gospel but was and is the Gospel.

## Prelude

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

J. Wayne Kerr

## Welcome and Announcements

*Please stand.*

### The Order for the Procession with Palms

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

C **Hosanna to the Son of David!**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### Anthem

*Sing for Joy, Ye People*

*Joseph Martin*

*Please stand.*

### The Processional Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

P The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>28</sup>After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.  
<sup>29</sup>When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup>They said, “The Lord needs it.” <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole

multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen,<sup>38</sup> saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!”

<sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.”<sup>40</sup>He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Blessing of the Palms**

*The congregation raises their palms.*

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless + these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

# Processional Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

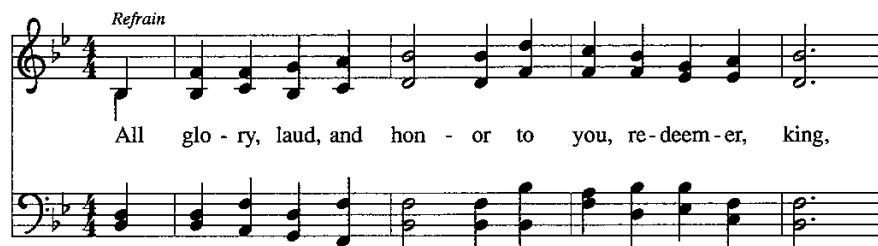
Verses 1&2- All

Verse 4- Women, men join on refrain

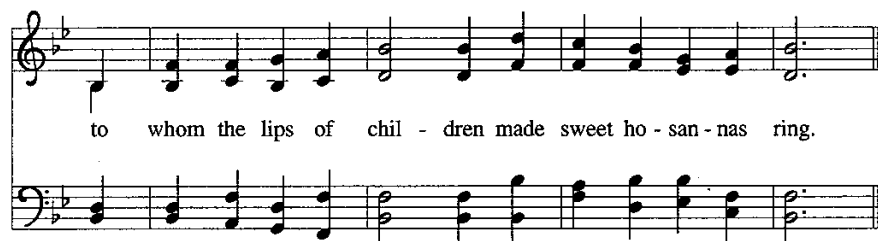
Verse 3- Men; women join on refrain

Verse 5- All

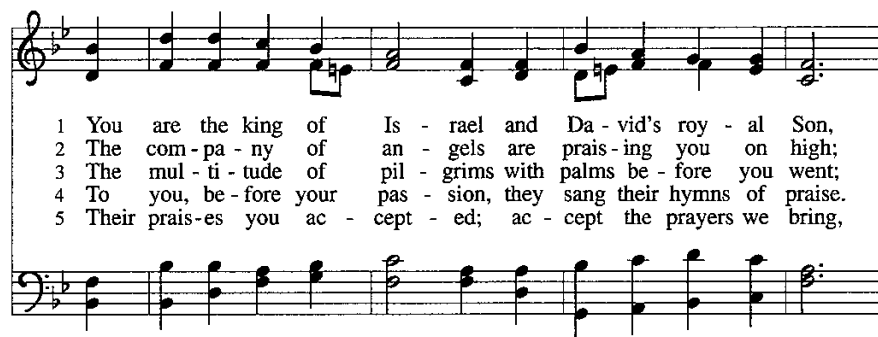
*Refrain*



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.



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 prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



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.

## Prayer of the Day

*As the prayer is offered, the processional cross is veiled, marking the transition to our hearing of the story of our Lord's passion.*

P Let us pray. Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## Children's Message

*The children remain at their seat as the pastor shares a message with them.*

## First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah:

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me

the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—  
wakens my ear

to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
<sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?  
L The Word of the Lord  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 31:9-16** *(Read responsively with the lector)*

<sup>9</sup>Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;  
my eye wastes away from grief,  
my soul and body also.

<sup>10</sup>**For my life is spent with sorrow,  
and my years with sighing;  
my strength fails because of my misery,  
and my bones waste away.**

<sup>11</sup>I am the scorn of all my adversaries,  
a horror to my neighbors,  
an object of dread to my acquaintances;  
those who see me in the street flee from me.

<sup>12</sup>**I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;  
I have become like a broken vessel.**

<sup>13</sup>For I hear the whispering of many —  
terror all around! —  
as they scheme together against me,  
as they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup>**But I trust in you, O LORD;  
I say, "You are my God."**

<sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

<sup>16</sup>**Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.**

## Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Philippians:

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup>but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
<sup>8</sup>he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

L The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

## The Passion Gospel

Luke 22:14--23:56

P The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke

C **Glory be to you O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When the hour came, [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup>for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup>for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup>Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and



gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."<sup>20</sup> And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."<sup>21</sup> But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table.<sup>22</sup> For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!"<sup>23</sup> Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

"Ah, Holy Jesus" Verse 1 [Hymn #349]  
Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended;  
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted.

<sup>24</sup>A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest.<sup>25</sup> But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors.<sup>26</sup> But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves.<sup>27</sup> For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

<sup>28</sup>"You are those who have stood by me in my trials;<sup>29</sup> and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom,<sup>30</sup> so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

### Organ Meditation

<sup>31</sup>"Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat,<sup>32</sup> but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."<sup>33</sup> And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!"<sup>34</sup> Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."

<sup>35</sup>He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing."<sup>36</sup> He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one.<sup>37</sup> For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless'; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled."<sup>38</sup> They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

“Ah, Holy Jesus” Verse 2  
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.  
’Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.

<sup>39</sup>He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. <sup>40</sup>When he reached the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.” <sup>41</sup>Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, <sup>42</sup>“Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.” <sup>43</sup>Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. <sup>44</sup>In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. <sup>45</sup>When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

<sup>47</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; <sup>48</sup>but Jesus said to him, “Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?” <sup>49</sup>When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, “Lord, should we strike with the sword?” <sup>50</sup>Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup>But Jesus said, “No more of this!” And he touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup>Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, “Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? <sup>53</sup>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!”

### Organ Meditation

<sup>54</sup>Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest’s house. But Peter was following at a distance. <sup>55</sup>When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. <sup>56</sup>Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, “This man also was with him.” <sup>57</sup>But he denied it, saying, “Woman, I do not know him.” <sup>58</sup>A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, “You also are one of them.” But Peter said, “Man, I am not!” <sup>59</sup>Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, “Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.” <sup>60</sup>But Peter said, “Man, I do not know what you are talking about!” At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. <sup>61</sup>The Lord turned and looked at

Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, “Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.”<sup>62</sup> And he went out and wept bitterly.

<sup>63</sup>Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; <sup>64</sup>they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?” <sup>65</sup>They kept heaping many other insults on him.

“Ah, Holy Jesus” Verse 3

Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;  
the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered;  
for our atonement, while we nothing heeded, God interceded.

<sup>66</sup>When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. <sup>67</sup>They said, “If you are the Messiah, tell us.” He replied, “If I tell you, you will not believe; <sup>68</sup>and if I question you, you will not answer. <sup>69</sup>But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.” <sup>70</sup>All of them asked, “Are you, then, the Son of God?” He said to them, “You say that I am.” <sup>71</sup>Then they said, “What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!”<sup>23:</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. <sup>2</sup>They began to accuse him, saying, “We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.” <sup>3</sup>Then Pilate asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” He answered, “You say so.” <sup>4</sup>Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no basis for an accusation against this man.” <sup>5</sup>But they were insistent and said, “He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.”

Organ Meditation

<sup>6</sup>When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>And when he learned that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. <sup>8</sup>When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. <sup>9</sup>He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>Even

Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

*With bell tolling, a single voice will sing verse 4.*

<sup>13</sup>Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, <sup>14</sup>and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. <sup>15</sup>Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup>I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

<sup>18</sup>Then they all shouted out together, “Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!” <sup>19</sup>(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) <sup>20</sup>Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; <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 ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.” <sup>23</sup>But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup>So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup>He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

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<sup>26</sup>As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup>A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. <sup>28</sup>But Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>For the days are surely 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 this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

<sup>32</sup>Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his

clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah 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 there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? 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 have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

“Ah, Holy Jesus” Verse 5

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,  
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee;  
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not my deserving.

*The congregation stands for the conclusion of the Passion Narrative*

<sup>44</sup>It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup>while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup>When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man was innocent.” <sup>48</sup>And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. <sup>49</sup>But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

<sup>50</sup>Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, <sup>51</sup>had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly 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, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever 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 they 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 The gospel of the Lord

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Homily

*Please stand.*

## The Hymn of the Day

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

Hymn #351

*Verse 1- All*

*Verse 2- Mural side*

*Verse 3- Organ side*

*Verse 4- All*

## The Prayers of the Church

*The assembly may sit or kneel for the prayers.*

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

A Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## The Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Without leaving your seat offer a wave to your neighbor, sharing God's peace, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.*

*Please be seated.*

## **Anthem**

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Sanctus Bells

*Please stand.*

## **Offertory Prayer**

- A Let us pray. Extravagant God,  
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.  
Now we gather at your feast  
where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray.
- C **Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

- 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.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

- P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God;  
you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.  
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.  
Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will  
and accomplished our salvation.

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving Passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again,  
we give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought, but as we are able;  
and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving,  
and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine;  
that we and all who share in the body and blood of your Son  
may be filled with heavenly peace and joy,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body,  
and have our portion with all your saints.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church, now and forever.

**C Amen.**



## The 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.**

## The Invitation to Communion

**P** Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

*Please be seated.*

## Distribution of Holy Communion

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America practices open table hospitality. Baptized communicants of other Christian denominations, of all ages, are welcome to receive the sacrament. An usher will direct each seating area to come forward to receive the sacrament. Bring your communion cup with you, or take one from the usher. We return to the practice of continuous communion around the Table with safe distancing by household groups. Please **stand** at the communion rail and the pastor will drop the bread into the hands of communicants and then receive the wine from the Assisting Minister. Those persons not receiving communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.*

## Hymns during Communion

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

*Lamb of God*

*Restore in Us, O God*

*Jesus, Remember Me*

Hymn #338

Hymn #336

Hymn #328

Hymn #616

*Please stand.*

### **Post Communion Blessing**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

A Let us pray. Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

C **Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

P You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always.

C **Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*

Hymn #347  
*Verses 1-3*

### **The Dismissal**

A Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

*The Royal Banners Forward Go*

Wilbur Held

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The bulletin is sponsored by Sandy Stouffer:  
Happy Birthday Lexie!

**Readings for next week:  
Easter Sunday**

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Luke 24:1-12

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### Coming up at Holy Spirit

Today	Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Welcome Pastor Gretchen Ierien
April 14	Maundy Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
April 15	Good Friday, 7:00 p.m.
April 17	Easter Day, 9:30 a.m.
May 3	Book Club, 7:00 p.m. <i>The Stranger in the Lifeboat</i> by Mitch Albom
May 7	Yard Sale, 8:00 a.m.
May 14	Running Pump Road Clean-up, 7:00 a.m.

