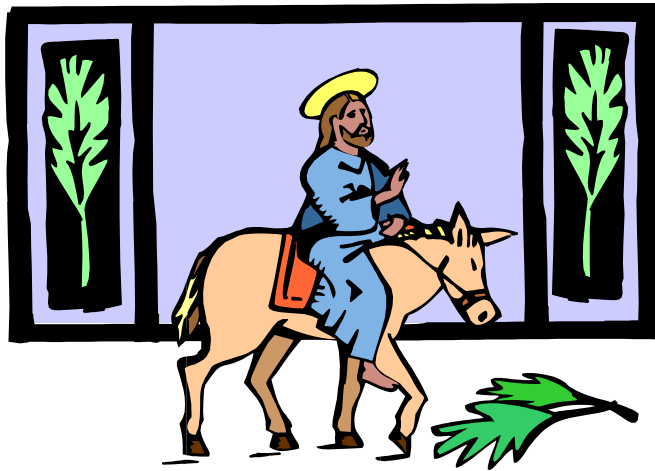


Hosanna!
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Sunday of the Passion
Palm Sunday
March 20, 2016

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We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

***Bold Print** – indicates congregation responds as a whole
* – indicates congregation should stand as able*

PRELUDE	<i>Were You There</i>	arranged by Victor Labenske
CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>Hosanna! Blessed Is He</i>	Knut Nystedt
*INVOCATION		
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN	<i>All Glory, Laud and Honor</i>	ELW #344
*PALM/PASSION LITURGY		

CHOIR: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

CONGREGATION: And also with you.

CHOIR: This is Palm Sunday—the day we remember Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem.

CONGREGATION: This is also Passion Sunday—the day we recall that his so-called triumph was short-lived.

CHOIR: On Palm Sunday crowds cheered him and waved palm branches.

CONGREGATION: Before the week was over, many of the same people had rejected him, or simply gone back to what for them was normal.

CHOIR: “Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes as King in the Name of the Lord.” So they called out on Sunday.

CONGREGATION: “Crucify him! We have no king but Caesar!” was their chant on Friday; and “if you are the Son of God, come down from your cross.”

CHOIR: When he dismounted on Sunday, he went to the Temple.

CONGREGATION: When they were done torturing him on Friday, he was nailed to his cross.

ALL: It was for us and for our salvation that he went to Jerusalem.

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

Ah, Holy Jesus

ELW #349

PASTOR: It is true that we are all guilty of betraying and rejecting our Lord Jesus Christ and the life he gives us and calls us to live. But this has not and will not stop him from loving us as his own. His love for us is what he died to prove. For that reason, as a minister of the church of Christ and by his authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

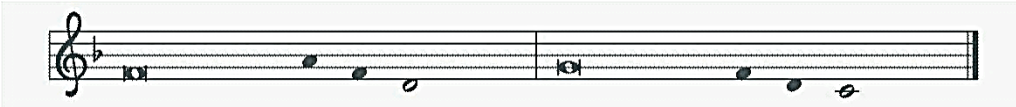
FIRST LESSON Isaiah 50:4-9a

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PSALM 31:9-16

Cantor sings the verses not in bold (Odd numbered verses.)

*Congregation sings the **bold verses** (Even numbered verses.)*



- ⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.
- ¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;**
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones | are consumed.
- ¹¹I am the scorn of my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to | my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street | they avoid me.
- ¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, | out of mind;**
I am as useless as a | broken pot.
- ¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to | take my life.
- ¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.**
I have said, "You | are my God.
- ¹⁵My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.
- ¹⁶**Let your face shine up- | on your servant;**
save me in your | steadfast love."

SECOND LESSON	Philippians 2:5-11	N.T. p. 197
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	<i>Return to the Lord</i>	p. 142
*(P) The Holy Gospel according to Luke 19:29-48		N.T. p. 83
*(C) Glory to you, O Lord.		
*(P) The Gospel of our Lord.		
*(C) Praise to you, O Christ.		
HYMN	<i>A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd</i>	See insert
THE SERMON		
*HYMN OF THE DAY	<i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed</i>	ELW # 311

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

When We Are Living

arr. Robert Hobby

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW # 884

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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DISTRIBUTION

To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.

LAMB OF GOD

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Now the Silence

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A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

ELW # 340

Were You There

See insert

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

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***CLOSING HYMN**

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

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***DISMISSAL**

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In observance of Lent, there will be no postludes during this season.

To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing.

Worshippers unable to commune at the front of the church...

*Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring
the Supper to you in your pew.*

Please worship with us this week at our:

**Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Worship Service March 24th
Services at 10:30am and 6:45pm**

A soup luncheon follows the morning service

Good Friday Tenebrae Service March 25th at 6:45pm

Easter Sunday Services March 27th

Sunrise Service at 7:00am

Easter Breakfast at 7:45am

Festival Worship Service of Holy Communion at 9:30am

Calling All Youth!
Easter Breakfast Preparation
Saturday, March 26th from 9:00am until 11:00am

We need all Youth to help prepare for our Easter Breakfast. Please make sure to come on Saturday to set up the coffee room and make food preparations for our Easter Breakfast. You also need to sign up for the shift you will be working on Easter morning. The sign-up sheets are on the Youth Board in the Narthex.

It is encouraged that Confirmation students sign up to help both days.



**EASTER
BREAKFAST
INVITATION!**

The Cross Lutheran Church Youth invites everyone and their guests to our Easter Breakfast that will be served between services next week. Come to enjoy biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, cinnamon rolls, fruit and beverages. We will serve from 7:45 to 9:15 to allow for clean-up before the 9:30 service.

A Freewill Offering for our Youth's Summer Mission Trip to Milwaukee will be taken.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

- Today, March 20**.....9:30am Worship Service – Jet Fuel Program Special Offering
10:45am Sunday School Education Class
11:00am Worship Service at The Homestead
12:00pm Board of Church Properties Meeting
3:00pm 7th Day Adventists
3:30pm – 6:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Tuesday, March 227:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Wednesday, March 237:00pm – 9:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- Maundy Thursday, March 2410:30am Festival Worship Service of Holy Communion
11:30am Soup Luncheon
6:45pm Festival Worship Service of Holy Communion
- Good Friday, March 25*CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED*
1:30pm Good Friday Service at Bel Rae of Mounds View
4:00pm Good Friday Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
6:45pm Tenebrae Service
- Saturday, March 26.....6:00am – 8:00am Roca de Horeb
9:00am – 11:00am - **Youth Easter Breakfast Preparation**
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5:30pm – 8:30pm Roca de Horeb
- EASTER SUNDAY7:00am Easter Sunrise Worship Service
7:45am – 9:15am Easter Breakfast
9:30am Easter Festival Worship Service of Holy Communion
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Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer

God of all good gifts, bless this food, which fills up our empty stomachs. Bless our table talk which brings us closer to one another. Bless the events of the day – good, bad, happy or sad. Bless this together time, which helps us grow in love. Amen.

Stewardship Verse

Luke 14:27



“Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.”



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!

