



**March 28, 2021  
Palm Sunday  
9:30 AM Worship**

First Lutheran Church  
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## PRELUDE AND BELLS

### AS WE GATHER

(Sunday, “the eighth day of the week,” is celebrated by Christians as the first day of the eternal life into which they were baptized. Today, the beginning of the great and Holy Week of Lent, we begin with the note of great joy as the crowds receive Jesus entering Jerusalem. This will be the last time He comes to the holy city. For we then follow Him to the judgment hall, the cross of suffering, and the fearful tomb of death. The penitential season of Lent concludes with the three holy days, the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Let us follow our Lord and allow Him to take our sins upon Himself that we may receive His new life in the forgiveness of our sins and the joy of the resurrection.)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### GREETING

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna to the Son of David.**

HOLY GOSPEL.....John 12:12–19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>12</sup>The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” <sup>14</sup>And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, <sup>15</sup>“Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” <sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup>The

crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. <sup>18</sup>The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup>So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

P: Let us go forth in peace

**C: in the name of the Lord.**

HYMN ..... On last page  
“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

*The people may raise their palm branches as the procession concludes with the following:*

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

P: Let us pray:

**C: Sovereign God, through your Son’s passion you brought your reign of righteousness and peace into the human heart. Draw us to you through his cross and keep us faithful to your reign until he comes again; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

BELL CHOIR..... “Ringing Victoriously”

FIRST READING ..... Zechariah 9:9-12  
*(This story is harbinger of the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem (Matt 21:1-11). His triumph rests on humility, just as the king is seated upon the lowly donkey. He crushes his adversaries with peace. In yielding himself, he conquers all. Through the blood of his covenant, we are presented with true hope and are set free. This is all accomplished peacefully, with a word. The king will decree it; he will speak it into existence. In*

*the meanwhile, as “prisoners of hope,” we must keep returning to our stronghold, our fortress — the Lord (Psa 92:1).)*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

PSALM (Read responsively) .....Psalm 118:19-29  
*(This psalm, in its original sense, depicts those coming into the beautiful temple of the Lord to worship God. Only the righteous, those whom God saves and makes righteous could enter. From the Christian perspective, the gate of the Lord is his Messiah. We may enter into the glory of God, and dwell in his house forever, only through Christ Jesus (John 14:6). This too, is the Lord’s doing—not ours—and cause for glad rejoicing.)*

<sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the Lord.

<sup>20</sup> **This is the gate of the Lord;  
the righteous shall enter through it.**

<sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup> **The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.**

<sup>23</sup> This is the Lord's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup> **This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

<sup>25</sup> Save us, we pray, O Lord!  
O Lord, we pray, give us success!

<sup>26</sup> **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

<sup>27</sup> The Lord is God,  
and he has made his light to shine upon us.  
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,  
up to the horns of the altar!

**<sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;  
you are my God; I will extol you.**

<sup>29</sup> Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

SECOND READING ..... Philipians 2:5-11

*(Imagine having the mind of Christ. The task is tough but the idea is simple enough. It begins with not thinking too highly of yourself. Next time you are in a committee meeting and someone across the table takes a shot at you, take it in stride. Think to yourself, "This is what Jesus also endured — and more." Humble yourself. Take the heat and let the warmth in your face subside without returning fire.*

*Jesus, though God, humbled himself, taking the form of a mere man. He endured humiliation of the highest magnitude, even suffering death on a cross for our sake. God highly exalted him, and he will come to your defense, too. This is having the mind of Christ: being a humble servant. It is not a difficult concept, but you will need the Spirit's help to carry it out.)*

<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 emptied himself, by 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.

THE PASSION STORY .....Mark 14:26 – 15:39

Narrator – Pastor Chuck

Jesus – Dewey Oster

Peter – Rick Richard

Judas – Brent Petersen

Priest – Jeff Schmidt

Accuser – Arden Wagner

Maid – Steph Mann

Pilate – Randy Hall

Soldier – Mac Beaudry

Crowd - Congregation

Narrator: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, the 14th and 15th chapters:

*After the Last Supper ... when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,*

Jesus: You will all fall away, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.

Narrator: Peter said to him,

Peter: Even though they all fall away, I will not.

Narrator: And Jesus said to him,

Jesus: Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Narrator: But he said emphatically,

Peter: If I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Narrator: And they all said the same. And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples,

Jesus: Sit here while I pray.

Narrator: And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. And he said to them,

Jesus: My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch.

Narrator: And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said,

Jesus: Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.

Narrator: And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter,

Jesus: Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Narrator: And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. And he came the third time and said to them,

Jesus: Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand.

Narrator: And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

Judas: The one I will kiss is the man. Seize him and lead him away under guard.

Narrator: And when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

Judas: Rabbi!

Narrator: And he kissed him. And they laid hands on him and seized him. But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. And Jesus said to them,

Jesus: Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled.

Narrator: And they all left him and fled. And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked.

And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was

sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire.

Now the chief priests and the whole Council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying,

Accuser: We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"

Narrator: Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus,

Priest: Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?

Narrator: But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him,

Priest: Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?

Narrator: And Jesus said,

Jesus: I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.

Narrator: And the high priest tore his garments and said,

Priest: What further witnesses do we need? You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?

Narrator: And they all condemned him as deserving death. And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him,

Accuser: Prophecy! (pronounced: PRA-fe-sai)

Narrator: And the guards received him with blows. And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said,

Maid: You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus.

Narrator: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: I neither know nor understand what you mean.

Narrator: And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders,

Maid: This man is one of them.



Narrator: But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

Accuser: Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.

Narrator: But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear,

Peter: I do not know this man of whom you speak.

Narrator: And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him,

Jesus: Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Narrator: And he broke down and wept. And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole Council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. And Pilate asked him,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?

Narrator: And he answered him,

Jesus: You have said so.

Narrator: And the chief priests accused him of many things. And Pilate again asked him,

Pilate: Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you.

Narrator: But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. And he answered them, saying,

Pilate: Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Narrator: For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. And Pilate again said to them,

Pilate: Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

Narrator: And they cried out again,

**Crowd: Crucify him!**

Narrator: And Pilate said to them,

Pilate: Why, what evil has he done?

Narrator: But they shouted all the more,

**Crowd: Crucify him!**

Narrator: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. And they began to salute him,

Soldier: Hail, King of the Jews!

Narrator: And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. And it was the third hour when they crucified him. And the inscription of the charge against him read,

Soldier: "The King of the Jews."

Narrator: And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying,

Accuser: Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

Narrator: So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying,

Priest: He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe.

Narrator: Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.  
 And when the sixth hour had come, there was  
 darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.  
 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice,  
 Jesus: Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?  
 Narrator: which means,  
 Jesus: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
 Narrator: And some of the bystanders hearing it said,  
 Accuser: Behold, he is calling Elijah.  
 Narrator: And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour  
 wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink,  
 saying,  
 Maid: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him  
 down.  
 Narrator: And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last.  
 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from  
 top to bottom. And when the centurion, who stood  
 facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last,  
 he said,  
 Soldier: Truly this man was the Son of God!  
 Narrator: The Gospel of the Lord ...

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SERMON ..... Pastor Chuck Mann

CHOIR ..... “A Psalm of Praise”

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and  
 earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He  
 was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of  
 the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
 crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On  
 the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and  
 is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come  
 again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy  
 Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

*(Place your hand over your heart and turn to your neighbor sharing the peace in this manner. No hand shaking.)*

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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

### OFFERTORY PRAYER (Said in unison)

**God of love, you have provided for our every need from your abundant bounty. Grant us grateful hearts that we may give generously to those in need and thereby show your love to the world around us. Amen.**


### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.



☐ Lift up your hearts. ☑ We lift them to the Lord.

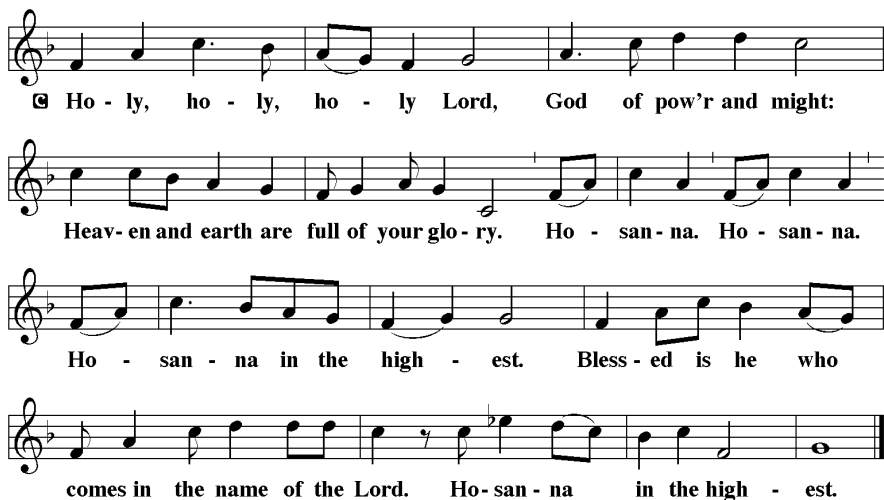


☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☑ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**P:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### 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.

By His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, He reached the goal of His substitutionary death, that by the offering of His own body and blood on the cross, all who believe in Him may share His triumph over sin and death.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

**C: Amen.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28;*  
*Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

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    *1 Corinthians 11:26;*  
*Revelation 22:20*

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

**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, for ever and ever. Amen**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

(Single Aisle Station – one side at a time, social distancing)

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

**C: Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, for the gift of forgiveness won by Your Son’s offering on the cross and for the strengthening of our souls and bodies by His body and blood. Go with us now, and keep us steadfast in Your Word through the blessed days of this great and Holy Week and to our eternal life with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION *Psalm 32:10*

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

*Numbers 6:24–26*

In the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN ..... On next page**  
**“Lift High the Cross”**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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# Lift High the Cross

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*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied tree,  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

*Refrain*

Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
As thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.

5 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*



## Today's Worship Leaders & Volunteers – Thank You!

PASTOR ..... Pastor Chuck Mann  
ACOLYTE ..... Aaron Blumhagen  
COMMUNION ASSISTANT ..... Randy Hall  
READERS ..... Tanner Fiedler, Berandt Olafson & Gracie Omlid  
ORGANIST ..... Theresa Petersen  
USHERS/GREETERS ..... Jordan Swanson & George Swanson  
ALTAR GUILD ..... Janet Hanson & Theresa Petersen  
SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS ..... Rick & LeAnn Richard

### **Our Mission**

“Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service.”

### **Welcome to all who have come to worship.**

Welcome to worship as we join a worldwide and timeless procession of the faithful shouting to Jesus, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” (Mark 11:9).

### **Visitors**

We welcome all visitors to First Lutheran today.

### **Holy Communion**

*All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Receive the bread into your open, flat palm. Ask if you wish to receive grape juice or a gluten free wafer. Alert an usher if you, or someone you know, needs communion served in the pew.*

### **Nursery**

The nursery, located beside the narthex, is available for use for any parent feeling the need to use it during worship services with their child.

### **Thank you for your giving**

Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, Attendance – 65

Facebook Online Viewing – 68

General Fund & Plate Giving - \$460.00

Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, Attendance – 108

Facebook Online Viewing - 124

General Fund & Plate Giving - \$1,835.00

## **Pastoral Care**

**Please call Pastor Chuck** if you or a loved one are in the hospital or know you will be going to the hospital. The church does not usually get informed of your stay by any of the hospitals even if you are registered under our congregation's name. We want to make sure you get pastoral care. Thank you!

## **Prayer Requests**

Pastor Erik Johnson, Alice Richard, Mary Ann Monsebroten – Sister to Jackie Olson, Weldon Wagner – Brother to Arden Wagner, Cindy Thiel, George Sheldon, Haley Beaudry – Brother to Mac Beaudry, Kathy Solomonson, Mary Ann Beeks, Josiah Johnson – Brother to Steph Mann, Greg Merrill – Uncle to Steph Mann, Shauntaye Kopecky – Kurle family member, Mary Schulz, Ross Lorentzen, Gwen DeMontigny, Kayla Boger – Family member of Steve & Peggy Wollmuth, Keith Hammerbeck – Family friend of the Kugler's, Deborah Davenport – Mother of Laura Gardner's friend, Virgie Emineth, Cindy Delmonico – Mother to Melissa Kugler, Glenn Weist, Ruby from Pine Ridge, Claire Boucher – Friends of Aaron & Lexie Solomonson newborn, Jamie Baumann, James Tolbert, Brad Taylor – Friend of Pastor Chuck, Taylor Gardner, Harold Holtz, Elaine Renfrow – Mother to Lynette Sondrol, Sandi Femling – Cousin to Melanie Beckman, Laren Holzngel, Harlow Tatum – Daughter to Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum, Ruth Lund – Mother to Doddie Kuntz, Derek Laning, John Krebsbach – Brother to Peggy Wollmuth, Arlo Omoth – Brother to Jeneen Loe, Bob Miller, Rodney Jaeger

## **Hearing Assist**

First Lutheran is in the process of getting a hearing assist system to be used during the worship services. If you feel you could benefit from this, please let Jeannette know in the church office so we have an idea of how many units to order.

## **Coffee Hour**

Reminder that coffee hour has returned. Coffee only will be served.

## **Easter Lily Deadline**

Forms for the Easter Lilies are on the table in the narthex and are also in the April newsletter. Please purchase your lily, attached the form and bring it to the secretary's hallway no later than noon on April 1<sup>st</sup> to be included in the Easter bulletin.

## **Holy Week Worship Schedule**

**Thursday, April 1 – Maundy Thursday** Worship w/Holy Communion (Rite of First Communion) – 7 pm

**Friday, April 2 – Good Friday Worship** drama series, “How to be a Disciple: The Reflections of a Contemporary Twelve” with Peter and Judas “On redemption”. Themes are: Forgiveness, justification. – 7:00 PM

### **Easter Sunday, April 4**

- \* Sunrise Service w/Holy Communion – 7:00 am
- \* Easter Breakfast – 7:45 – 9:15 am
- \* Easter Celebration Worship w/Holy Communion – 9:30 am

### **Easter Breakfast**

We will have an Easter Breakfast this year thanks to Leilani Olafson volunteering to head it. Menu will be biscuits and gravy, muffins, fruit, juice and coffee. If you are willing to help with the breakfast, please talk to Leilani and volunteer your time! Free will offering will go to Community Outreach.

### **Looking for Volunteers**

We are looking for volunteers for the following:

1. People to serve on the Endowment Committee. If interested please talk to Matt Gardner.
2. Anyone interested in serving on the Evangelism Committee. If interested contact Melanie Beckman.
3. Preschool VBS director needed. You would be provided with curriculum and volunteers. We just need someone to organize the details. Dates and times are June 1-4 from 9:00-10:30.
4. Preschool VBS volunteers. This program is during the work day, so if you are available to help please let us know!
5. Elementary VBS. I am sad to report that Camp of the Cross will not be coming to do VBS this year. Thank you to Melissa Rothe for stepping up and taking charge. We will need music people, craft people, game people and more. Please contact me if you would be interested in hopping on board! Dates and times are June 1-4 from 6:00-8:30. Thanks in advance! Stacy Boeshans 701-240-8012

### **Christ in Our Home and Our Daily Bread**

The April/May/June edition of *Christ in Our Home* and the March/April/May edition of *Our Daily Bread* are in the magazine racks in the narthex. Pick up a copy of each today to use with your daily devotions.

## **Pie With Pastor**

Starting today through April 18<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday School classes will be collecting supplies for the Lutheran World Relief Kits. The class that collects the most supplies will win a pie party with Pastor Chuck! Here's what they are collecting:

- \* Light-weight bath towels (Between 20x40" & 52x27") Dark colors are recommended
- \* Bath-size bars of soap equaling 8-9 oz.
- \* Adult size toothbrushes
- \* Metal nail clippers

Donations can be placed in the box in their Sunday School room.

## **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

Thrivent members that have Thrivent Choice Dollars to direct to an organization, you have until March 31<sup>st</sup> to do that before you lose last year's dollars.

## **LBW & WOV Hymnals**

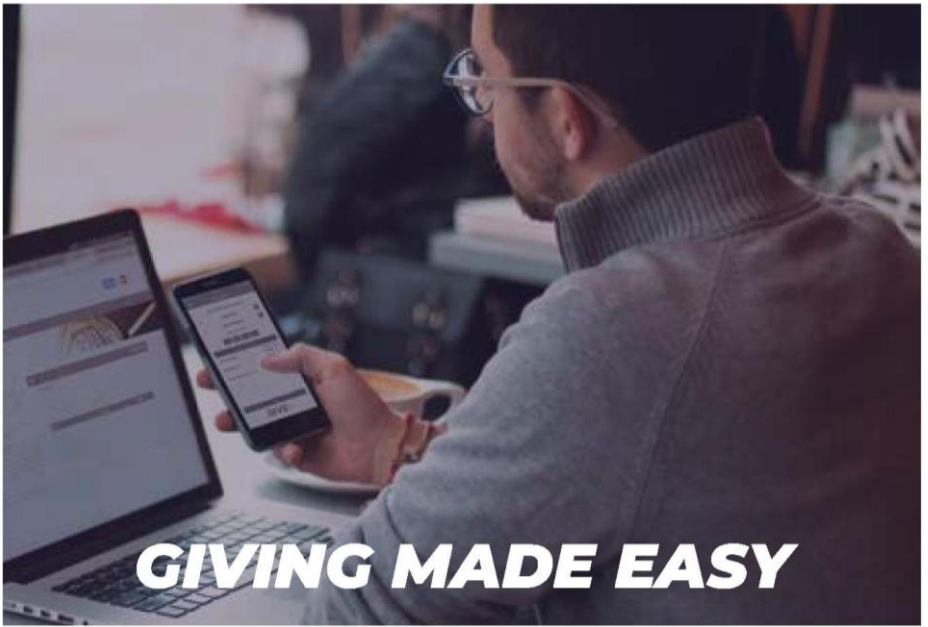
We will be ordering more LBW (green) and WOV (blue) hymnals. As of the printing of this bulletin we are looking at approximately 57 more LBW at a cost of \$32 per book and approximately 33 WOV at a cost of \$15.75 per book or a total of \$2,343.75. If you would like to help purchase any of these hymnals please talk to Jeannette in the church office. We may have a chance to purchase some from another church but how many and price is yet to be determined. ***LBW books on the cart in the narthex are free for the taking.***

## **Thank You**

I would like to thank everyone that prayed for me, sent cards, and flowers. I appreciated that you took the time to think of me. A big thank you to Pastor Mann for his visit and kind words.  
Cindy Thiel

## **Thank You**

THANKS to the FLC Church Council, FLCW, Evangelism Committee, Men's Bible Study group, and an anonymous party, all registration fees will be covered for FLC campers to Camp of the Cross Ministries this summer. There is an early bird discount for registering with CCM by April 1, 2021. Please let Peggy Moran know by May 24, 2021, if you have campers registered so the funds can be sent to the camp before the camp season begins.



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## COMMUNITY AND AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Washburn United Methodist Church will be hosting a **Ladies' Night Out** on Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Christian Comedienne, Dorie McLemore will be your entertainment. Baked potato bar supper will be served at 6:00 pm. Dessert and socializing following the comedy. Join them for some laughs and door prizes.

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

|        |                |  |
|--------|----------------|--|
| TODAY  | 9:30 AM        | Worship w/Holy Communion   |
|        | 10:30 AM       | Coffee/Fellowship Hour   |
|        | 10:45 AM       | Sunday School  |
|        |                | Bible Study Led by Alexis Solomonson                               |
|        | 7:00 PM        | AA Meeting<br>Al-Anon Meeting                                      |
| TUES.  | 8:00 AM        | Men's Bible Study  |
|        | 10:00 AM       | Mommy's Group  |
| WED.   | 9:30 AM        | Friendship Bible Study   |
|        | 6:15 PM        | Confirmation   |
|        | 6:45 PM        | Bell Choir   |
|        | 7:15 PM        | FLY  |
|        | 7:30 PM        | Choir  |
| THURS. | Noon           | Easter Lily Deadline   |
|        | 7:00 PM        | Maundy Thursday Worship w/Holy Communion (Rite of First Communion) |
| FRI.   | 7:00 PM        | Good Friday Worship  |
| SAT.   | 6:00 PM        | Marriage Course  |
| SUNDAY |                | Easter Sunday  |
|        | 7:00 AM        | Easter Sunrise Worship w/Holy Communion                            |
|        | 7:45 – 9:15 AM | Easter Breakfast   |
|        | 9:30 AM        | Easter Celebration Worship w/Holy Communion                        |
|        | 7:00 PM        | AA Meeting   |
|        | 7:00 PM        | Al-Anon Meeting  |

# Listening for the Promise

## WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

March 28, 2021 – Palm/Passion Sunday

*“Again the high priest asked him, ‘Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?’ Jesus said, ‘I am; and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.’” – Mark 14:61–62*

Imagine the scene: Pilgrims are jammed into the narrow streets. It’s a carnival. A circus. A parade. Pilgrims chanting their prayers. Vendors hocking their wares. Roman guards, 600 strong, riding back and forth on horseback, keeping an uneasy peace. Into this chaos rides Jesus. Everyone has heard of him, and the opinions vary. They’ve heard he raised Lazarus from the dead, and on his way into town he healed two blind men. Some claim he’s the Messiah, the long-awaited Savior. COULD he be the Messiah?

Having heard of his miracles, many want to see him in action. Because if they can see him perform a miracle for someone else, maybe he could do something for them too. There are people like that. Folks who won’t believe unless they see a sign. This is the first group in the Palm Sunday crowd. And then there are folks who aren’t interested in healing. They want a political revolution. They want Jesus to use his power to rescue the nation and stamp out their enemies. And so there is tension in the city. Five million pilgrims jammed together, all sick of being under Roman occupation. A riot is brewing – there is talk of uprising. These people want to use Jesus as a means to an end; use him to pump up their cause.

And what does Jesus do in the midst of this madness? He rides in silence, rides an ass, an animal of peace, into the town. He doesn’t carry a sword, but an olive branch. And the crowds go from chanting “Hosannah” one minute, to “Crucify Him” the next.

Who is this king who doesn’t look like a king or act like a king? What kind of king allows you to address him personally, by his first name? What kind of king is this, who, when I have committed a crime and am about to be executed, steps forward and willingly endures capital punishment on my behalf? What kind of king wants to rule our hearts? What kind of king is it who rules from a cross, whose cross is his throne? What kind of king rules through suffering, love, and humility? How will we decide? Take a poll, or have the courage to take a stand? Deny or defend? Sell him short for a pittance, or give all I have to follow him? Declare him crazy or King?

# All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*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.

*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.

- 5 Their praises you accepted;  
 Accept the prayers we bring,  
 Great author of all goodness,  
 O good and gracious King, *Refrain*