



HOLY WEEK

The week before Easter has become known as “Holy Week.” One of the reasons for this name comes from the fact that the Bible has more details about the events that took place in Jesus’ life on these days than any other moment in his life. The Gospels written by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John have a total of 89 chapters, and there are nearly 30 written about the last week of Jesus’ life. What was so important about what happened on these days? It was the culmination of God’s plan to save sinners from the eternal punishment of hell and win for them eternal life in heaven.

Three of the days during Holy Week have been given special names because of a significant event that took place on that day. The three days are...

Palm Sunday... This was the day when Jesus made his triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem. Jesus would not leave the city alive, yet upon his arrival there were crowds of people who gave praise to him and claimed that he was their Savior. He entered the city riding on a gentle donkey while people sang, “Hosanna,” which means, “The Lord saves!” As part of his royal treatment, the crowd spread palm branches as part of his procession.

Maundy Thursday... This was the day when Jesus celebrated the last Passover with his followers. Together they ate a meal of lamb and unleavened bread. It was during this meal that Jesus celebrated the first Lord’s Supper in which he gives his true body and blood. After all, Jesus himself is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

The word “maundy” comes from the Latin language and means “mandate” or “command.” It was during the evening meal when Jesus also said to his disciples, “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.”

Good Friday... This was the day that we call “good,” but it was horrific for Jesus. It should have been horrific for us. If you want to know how God feels toward someone who sins, look at how Jesus suffered and was crucified. That is how God should treat all sinners. Yet, the punishment that brings us peace was upon Jesus, and by his wounds we are healed.

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IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

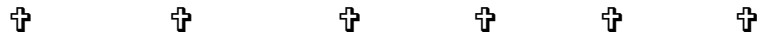
Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025

WELCOME TO ZION. It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can give and the joy we have in believing that JESUS CHRIST is our Savior from sin.

Worship Focus: Our salvation comes to us in the form of a lowly king.

On Palm Sunday Jesus came into Jerusalem as a victorious King, but his victory would come by his death. So in this service we will celebrate the triumphal entry of our King, but we will also read through the history of His Passion from Luke's Gospel to set the stage for the rest of Holy Week. Refer to page 1 for an explanation of each day of Holy Week and join us on each day as we see what our Savior experienced so we can have the hope of everlasting life.



Pastor: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry that culminated at the tomb and follow him with a lively faith. United with him by Baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life.

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Hosanna in the highest!

HYMN: CW 130

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That

lit - tle chil - dren sang; Through pil - lared
an - ex - ul - tant crowd, The vic - tor
an - cient song we sing, For Christ is

court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them
palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and
our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n, our

rang. To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close
loud. The Lord of saints and an - gels Rode
King. Oh, may we ev - er praise him With

fold - ed to his breast, The chil - dren sang their
on in low - ly state Nor scorned that lit - tle
heart and life and voice And in his roy - al

prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
chil - dren Should on his bid - ding wait.
pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1821–80, alt.

Tune: ELLACOMBE (76 76 D) *Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzog . . . Hofkapelle*, Württemberg, 1784, alt.

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Hosanna in the highest!**Prayer of the Day**

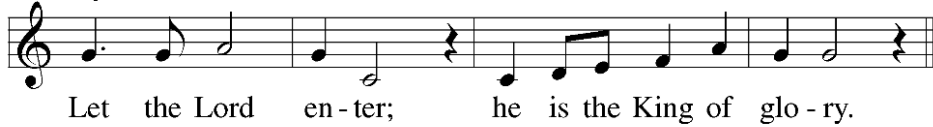
We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns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

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

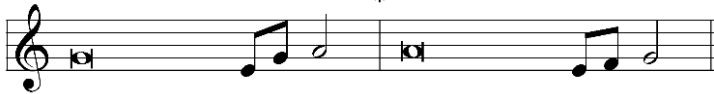
C: **And also with you.**

Psalm 24

Refrain



Psalm tone



the world, and all who live in it;

for he founded it upon the seas*
and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?*

Who may stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart,*
he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

Refrain

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,*
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?*
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,*
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?*
The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

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Pastor: Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted “Hosanna” and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise, and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

THE WORD

First Lesson

Zechariah 9:9 &10

⁹Rejoice greatly, Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! Look! Your King is coming to you. He is righteous and brings salvation. He is humble and is riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the horse from Jerusalem. The battle bow will be taken away, and he will proclaim peace to the nations. His kingdom will extend from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth. (EHV)

Soloist: “On That Day”

Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

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

VERSE OF THE DAY

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (John 12:23 cf. NIV)

HYMN OF THE DAY: *CW 133*

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”

133

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Your last and
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs
 ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
 fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his
 pomp ride on to die. Bow your meek head to



sue your road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - d'ring eyes To see th' ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne A - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O Christ, your power and reign.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.

Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt.

Devotion text and theme: Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ After Jesus had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he came near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ahead, ³⁰ saying, “Go to the village ahead of you. When you enter it, you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ And if anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you will say this: ‘The Lord needs it.’” ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found things just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴ They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵ Then they brought the colt to Jesus. They threw their robes on the colt and set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their robes on the road. ³⁷ As he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began to praise God joyfully, with a loud voice, for all the miracles they had seen, ³⁸ saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” ⁴⁰ He replied, “I tell you, if these people would be silent, the stones would cry out.” (EHV)

The Events of Holy Week

OFFERING: *The collection of the offering in the service is an opportunity for the members of Zion to give back to God a small portion of what he has given us in order to support the Gospel ministry of Zion Lutheran Church and School and of the WELS throughout the world. If you are a visitor today, while we appreciate an offering from you, please do not feel obligated to give.*

PRAYER

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.

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THE PASSION HISTORY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

1. Plot, Passover, and Lord's Supper

Luke 22:1-38

Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, called the Passover, was approaching, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were looking for some way to get rid of Jesus, for they were afraid of the people. Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus. They were delighted and agreed to give him money. He consented, and watched for an opportunity to hand Jesus over to them when no crowd was present.

The Last Supper

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover."

"Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked.

He replied, "As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, and say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large upper room, all furnished. Make preparations there."

They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you. But the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table. The Son of Man will go as it has been decreed, but woe to that man who betrays him." They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this.

Also a dispute arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials. And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

"Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

But he replied, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death."

Jesus answered, "I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know me."

Then Jesus asked them, "When I sent you without purse, bag or sandals, did you lack anything?"

"Nothing," they answered.

He said to them, "But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don't have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one. It is written: 'And he was numbered with the transgressors'; and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment."

The disciples said, "See, Lord, here are two swords."

"That is enough," he replied.

HYMN: *CW 104 (vs. 1 & 2)*

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; View the Lord of
 3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see.
 life ar - rained. Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
 at his feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from his
 Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete. "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
 pain, or loss; Learn of him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; Learn of Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.
 Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820–1901.

Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."

Jesus Arrested

While he was still speaking a crowd came up, and the man who was called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, but Jesus asked him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

When Jesus' followers saw what was going to happen, they said, "Lord, should we strike with our swords?" And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear.

But Jesus answered, "No more of this!" And he touched the man's ear and healed him.

Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guard, and the elders, who had come for him, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come with swords and clubs? Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour—when darkness reigns."

Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance.

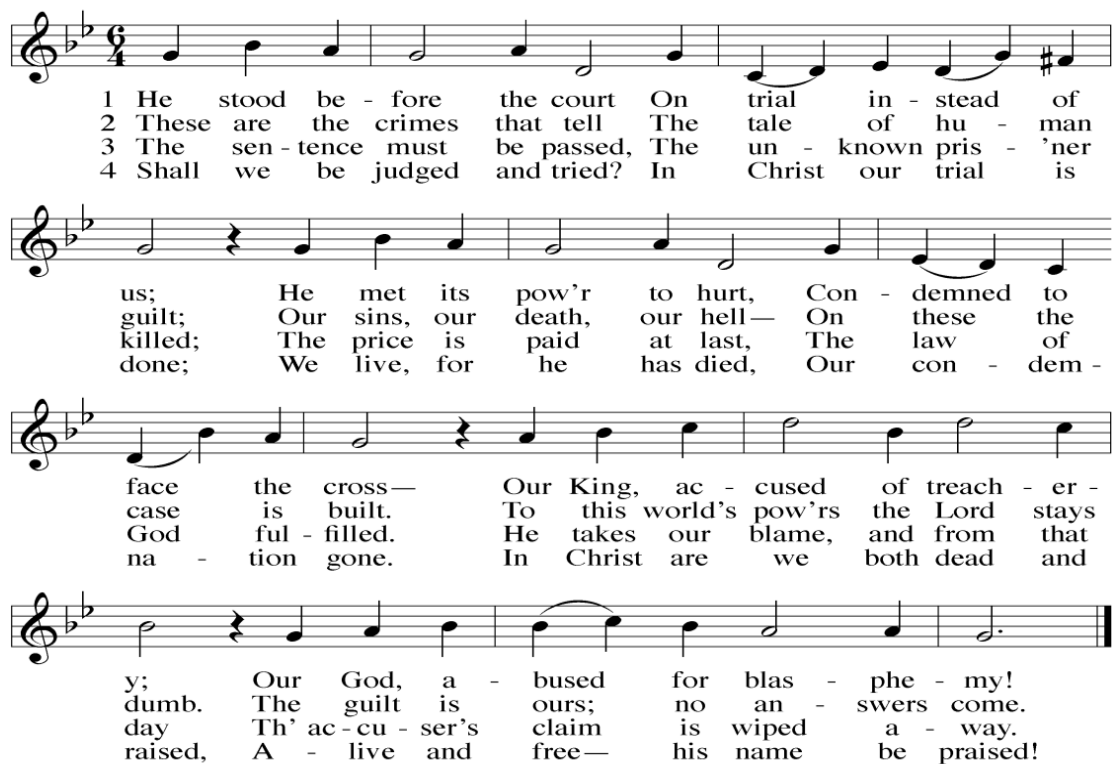
HYMN: *CW 115* (v. 1)

"He Stood before the Court"

LENT

115

He Stood before the Court



1 He stood be - fore the court On trial in - stead of
2 These are the crimes that tell The tale of hu - man
3 The sen - tence must be passed, The un - known pris - 'ner
4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is

us; He met its pow'r to hurt, Con - demned to
guilt; Our sins, our death, our hell— On these the
killed; The price is paid, at last, The law of
done; We live, for he has died, Our con - dem -

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day Th' ac - cu - ser's claim is wiped a - way.
raised, A - live and free— his name be praised!

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Peter Disowns Jesus

Then seizing him [Jesus], they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. But when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard

and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."

But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."

"Man, I am not!" Peter replied.

About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."

Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.

The Guards Mock Jesus

The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him. They blindfolded him and demanded, "Prophesy! Who hit you?" And they said many other insulting things to him.

Jesus before Pilate and Herod

At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them. "If you are the Christ," they said, "tell us."

Jesus answered, "If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I asked you, you would not answer. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the mighty God."

They all asked, "Are you then the Son of God?"

He replied, "You are right in saying I am."

Then they said, "Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from his own lips."

HYMN: *CW 115 (vs. 2 & 3)*

"He Stood before the Court"

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 2 These are the crimes that tell The tale of hu - man
 3 The sen - tence must be passed, The un - known pris - 'ner
 4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is



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Then the whole assembly rose and led him [Jesus] off to Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, "We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Christ, a king."

So Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

"Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied.

Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no basis for a charge against this man."

But they insisted, "He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here."

On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that Jesus was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform some miracle. He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.”

With one voice they cried out, “Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!” (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)

Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. But they kept shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”

For the third time he spoke to them: “Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.”

But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. So Pilate decided to grant their demand. He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.

HYMN: *CW 113* (vs. 1-3)

“Upon the Cross Extended”

LENT

113

Upon the Cross Extended



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed, See, world, your Lord sus -
 2 How God at our trans - gres - sion To an - ger gives ex -
 3 'Tis I who should be smit - ten, My doom should here be
 4 A crown of thorns you're wear - ing, My shame and scorn you're
 5 Your cords of love, my Sav - ior, Bind me to you for -



pend - ed; Your Sav - ior yields his breath. The Prince of
 pres - sion, How loud his thun - ders roll, How fear - ful -
 writ - ten: Bound hand and foot in hell. The fet - ters
 bear - ing That I might ran - somed be. My bonds - man,
 ev - er; I am no long - er mine. To you I



life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly giv - en
 ly he smites him, How sore - ly he re - quites him—
 and the scourg - ing, The floods a - round you surg - ing,
 ev - er will - ing, My place with pa - tience fill - ing,
 glad - ly ten - der All that my life can ren - der



To shame and blows and bit - ter death.
 All this your suf - f'rings teach my soul.
 'Tis I who have de - served them well.
 From sin and guilt has made me free.
 And all I have to you re - sign.

The Crucifixion

As they led him [Jesus] away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the barren women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' Then they will say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us!' For if men do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed.

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One."

The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"

But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

Jesus' Death

It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.

The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man." When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Jesus' Burial

Now there was a man named Joseph, a member of the Council, a good and upright man, who had not consented to their decision and action. He came from the Judean town of Arimathea and he was waiting for the kingdom of God. Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body. Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen cloth and placed it in a tomb cut in the rock, one in which no one had yet been laid. It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was about to begin.

The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph and saw the tomb and how his body was laid in it. Then they went home and prepared spices and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath in obedience to the commandment.

Pastor: Dear friends, on this Passion Sunday we've read through the Holy Spirit's account of Holy Week. The journey of Lent has prepared our hearts to ponder anew the Passion of our Lord and his glorious triumph over death and grave. With repentant hearts we've joined our Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, confident in his everlasting rule, hailing him as our Eternal King. At the same time, we are mindful that he is our King because he is the Messiah, the promised Son of David sent as the sacrificial Lamb of God. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Congregation: Hosanna in the Highest!

CLOSING HYMN: CWS 716

"No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

PALM SUNDAY

716 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet With
 2 And yet he comes. The chil - dren cheer; With
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs his road a - dorn; The
 4 Now he who bore for mor - tals' sake The



ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's
 palms his path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!" To
 cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne. A -
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown. The
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns. Ho -



greet what pomp of king - ly pride No
 stride a colt he pass - es by As
 sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries. The
 san - na to the Sav - ior's name Till

bells in tri - umph ring, No ci - ty gates swing
loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ve - ry
streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
heav - en's raft - ers ring, And all the ran - somed

o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be-hold your King!"
stones would cry, "Be - hold, be-hold your King!"
mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be-hold your King!"
host pro - claim, "Be - hold, be-hold your King!"

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CALL MEETING—On Sunday, March 23rd a joint call was extended to Pastor Andrew Leuhring. Please keep him in your prayers as he deliberates his call.

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR CALL MEETING: On Sunday, April 6th the Voter's decided to extend a call to Mrs. Hannah Breckon has been called to serve as our Preschool Director and teacher. Please keep her in your prayers as she deliberates the call.

Open Forum/Voter's Meeting Notes: In April the Church council will be meeting on Thursday, April 24th. Due to the late Council meeting the notes and agenda for the Open Forum/Voter's Meeting will not be available a week prior for your review. Thank you for your understanding.

BAKE SALE: Friends in Faith is having a bake sale after church on Sunday, April 13th. Please come and take home a special treat. Thank you in advance for showing your support.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER TEA: On Sunday, April 13th from 2:00p.m.-4:00 p.m. There will be a mother/daughter tea. There will be fellowship, treats and tea. Please see the back table for more information.

LILIES FOR EASTER: This year it was decided to have Friends in Faith design and make lily plants to beautify our sanctuary for the Easter celebration. The goal behind the change from real flowers to silk flowers is to help people who have allergies to the fragrances of the live plants be able to attend services without health issues. We know usually people donate money to purchase a plant in memory of someone or for blessings received. We will be putting out envelopes in both foyers for members to donate \$15 to the cost of the silk flowers in memory of someone or for blessings received. We will list the memorials and blessings as usually in the Easter bulletin, however, you will not be able to take a plant home. Thank you for your understanding with this change and we look forward to a wonderful Easter celebration.

EASTER BREAKFAST: Please come join us for an Easter breakfast provided by the Church Council after our Easter service on April 20th! It's a wonderful way to celebrate and enjoy fellowship with your church family. For planning, there's a sign-up sheet in the West Foyer. We look forward to sharing this special morning with you!

MLS Open House - May 2nd!

Michigan Lutheran Seminary would like to invite you to our upcoming Open House! This Open House will take place from 3:00-5:00 PM on Friday, May 2nd. This is a great opportunity for 5th-8th grade students and their families to learn about the campus, academics, and extracurriculars at MLS! You'll have a chance to meet faculty, talk to parents and students, and take a tour of the campus! If you're interested or would like more information, contact us at admissions@mlsem.org or call (989) 793-1010 ext. 294.

ZION RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING: Mark your calendars for the upcoming Rummage Sale on Friday, May 30 & Saturday, May 31. Lots of helping hands make the work a lot easier. Please see the West foyer for sign-up sheets for the different times that we need volunteers. Thank you for any assistance you can give.

Dear Ladies of Zion,

Before you know it, the month of May will be here. It's time for a major spring cleaning in the church and the school kitchen. We would like to have it all completed by Confirmation which is Sunday, May 18th.

Your group leaders are as follows:

Group #1 – Brenda Chandonnet (734)915-5477
Front of church, Sacristy, Balcony & Flowers

Group #2 – Sherry Fuerstenberg (734)755-7273
East Foyer, Pews, Northex, Church Proper

Group #3 – Linda Johnson (734)735-0090
Sue Moore (734)735-7380
Mother's Room, West Foyer, Kitchen & Pantry

We believe we have all the ladies from the Congregation in one of these groups. Hopefully, you'll hear from your leader soon! Men, please feel free to come and help.

Thank you to all who have helped in the past, continue to help and we pray we can continue to serve our Congregation faithfully together.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in the various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

Sincerely,

Sherry Fuerstenberg

Coming up at Zion

Sunday	9:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship Service
	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:15 a.m. Bake Sale – Friends in Faith
	1:00 p.m. Jesus Cares Worship Service
	2:00 p.m. Mother/Daughter Tea
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class
Wednesday	NO Worship Service
Thursday	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service (IC/CC)
Friday	1:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship Service
	7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship Service
Sunday	9:00 a.m. Easter Celebration Worship Service (IC/CC)
	10:15 a.m. Easter Brunch Pot-luck
	(NO Sunday School or Bible Class)

April Volunteers

	April 2 & 6	April 9 & 13	April 17, 18 & 20	April 23 & 27	April 30 & May 4
Altar Guild			Nancy Chalupka		
Live Stream Helpers	Steve Sordahl	Erich Freiny	Rob Krueger	Ryan Roth	William Robinson
Ushers	<p><u>April 2</u> Tony Affholter Jeff Douglas Mark Fuerstenberg Bryce Mueller Ray Palmatier</p> <p><u>April 6</u> Tony Affholter Jeff Douglas Mark Fuerstenberg Bryce Mueller Ray Palmatier</p>	<p><u>April 9</u> Mark Kipf Keith McBee Dave McKenzie Joe Schmeling</p> <p><u>April 13</u> Mark Kipf Keith McBee Dave McKenzie Joe Schmeling</p>	<p><u>April 17</u> Dave Bengé Alan Bober Matthew Hill Joe Koch Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson</p> <p><u>April 18 @ 1:00</u> Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Rob Krueger Matthew Loos Zach Turner</p> <p><u>April 18 @ 7:00</u> Jake Burke Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Juergen Koenig Matt McCormick Zach McCormick</p> <p><u>April 20</u> Dave Bengé Alan Bober Matthew Hill Joe Koch Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson</p>	<p><u>April 23</u> Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Rob Krueger Matthew Loos Zach Turner</p> <p><u>April 27</u> Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Rob Krueger Matthew Loos Zach Turner</p>	<p><u>April 30</u> Tony Affholter Jeff Douglas Mark Fuerstenberg Bryce Mueller Ray Palmatier</p> <p><u>May 4</u> Tony Affholter Jeff Douglas Mark Fuerstenberg Bryce Mueller Ray Palmatier</p>
Communion Helpers	<p><u>April 2</u> Alan Bober</p> <p><u>April 6</u> Rob Krueger Jeff Heusman</p>		<p><u>April 17</u> Mark Kipf Ken Vagt</p> <p><u>April 20</u> Eric Freiny Ray Palmatier</p>		<p><u>April 30</u> Jeremy Robinson</p> <p><u>May 4</u> Alan Bober Mark Kipf</p>

