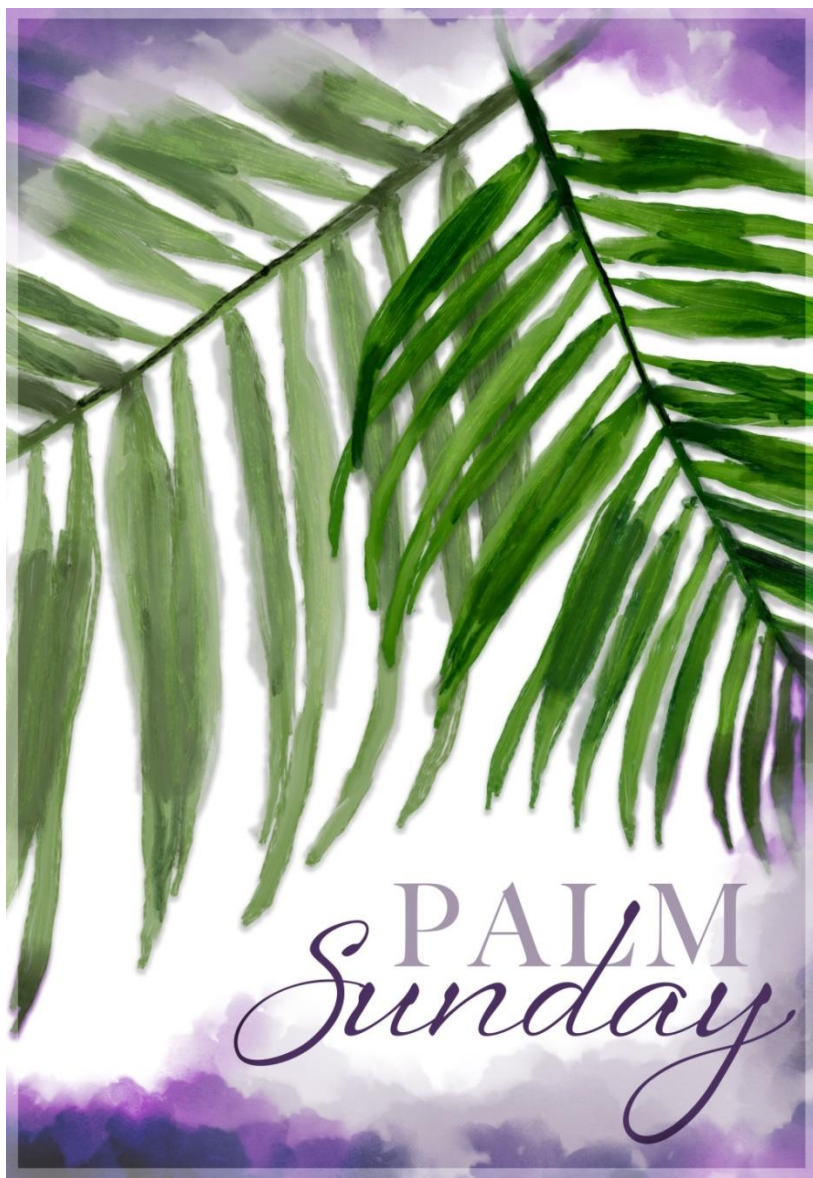


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"Christ- Students- Community Coming Together"

✠ PROCESSION OF PALMS ✠

The procession begins outside the Welcome area

GREETING

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

People: **Amen.**

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

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

COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 12:12–19* (The triumphal entry)

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

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

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace,

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

Congregation processes into sanctuary while singing the following hymn

HYMN "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 Is 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 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
 And we with all cre - a - tion 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.
 O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulf of Orléans, c. 762–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.
 Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.; setting: *Lutheran Book of Worship: Select Hymns*, 1985

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John 12:12–15; Ps. 118:26; Ps. 24:7–9

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

People: Hosanna in the highest.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Based on Philippians 2:5–11; Psalm 118:23*

Pastor: Lord Jesus, on this day when we remember Your entry into Jerusalem as King and Savior, we walk with You to Your cross, where Your righteousness is given to all who believe. Search our hearts and minds that we may receive Your Word, share in Your Spirit, and be renewed in our relationships with You and with one another.

We take a moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

Pastor: With humble hearts, let us pray together.

People: Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray.

Pastor: You reign over all things and yet humbled Yourself for our salvation.

People: We confess that our rebellion against You in thought, word, and action is the reason why You entered into this world.

Pastor: It is why You passed through the gates of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and why You laid down Your life upon Calvary's cross on Good Friday—

People: to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we owe to God.

Pastor: With hearts that are humble and lives that are grateful, help us to receive Your grace and bow before You in worship,

People: confessing that You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, shows His mercy to us in the sending of His only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords. The One who entered into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was handed over to death upon the cross so that we may be reconciled to the Father and granted full and free remission of our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Because of our King's mercy, the gates of righteousness are opened to us.

People: "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

GREETING OF PEACE

Greet others, with “Peace be with you/**And also with you**”, along with a head nod, handshake, bow, or placing your hand on your heart.


KYRIE

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. [C] **And also with you.**

[P] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

[C]  **Lord, have mer - cy.**

[P] For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

[C]  **Lord, have mer - cy.**

[P] For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

[C]  **Lord, have mer - cy.**

[P] For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

[C]  **Lord, have mer - cy.**

[P] Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

[C]  **A - - - men.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross.

People: Rejoicing in Your mercy to us this day, enable us to follow our Savior, walking with Him to His cross and sharing with Him in His resurrection.

Pastor: We pray this in the name of our humble King, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.

SPECIAL MUSIC Mantos y Palmas (Hosanna to the King) *Ruben Ruiz Avila*
Handbell Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Lamentations 5:19-22

R But you, O LORD, reign for ever;
your throne endures to all generations.
Why have you forgotten us completely?
Why have you forsaken us these many days?
Restore us to yourself, O LORD, that we may be restored;
renew our days as of old—
unless you have utterly rejected us,
and are angry with us beyond measure.

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

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come 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.**

Sit

MESSAGE "Lord Reigns Forever"

Stand

HYMN

"When Jesus Left His Father's Throne"



- 1) When__ Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, He__ chose a
 2) Sweet__ were his words and kind his look, When__ moth - ers
 3) When__ Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, The__ chil - dren



hum - ble birth; Like__ us, un - hon - ored and un -
 round__ him pressed; Their__ in - fants in his arms he
 sang__ a - round; For__ joy they plucked the palms and



known, He__ came to dwell__ on earth. Like__ him may
 took, And__ on his bos - om blessed. Safe__ from the
 strowed Their__ gar - ments on__ the ground. Ho - san - na



we__ be found be - low, In__ wis - dom's_ path of peace;
 world's_ al - lur - ing harms, Be - neath his_ watch - ful eye,
 our_ glad voic - es raise, Ho - san - na__ to our King!



Like__ him in grace__ and__ know - ledge
 Thus__ in the cir - cle__ of his
 Should__ we for - get__ our__ Sav - ior's



grow, As__ years and strength__ in - crease.
 arms May__ we for - ev - er lie,
 praise, The__ stones them - selves__ would sing.

Sit

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with “Lord, in your mercy,” to which the congregation responds, “hear our prayer.” The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

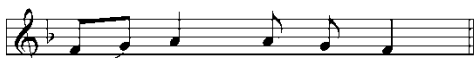
Stand

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



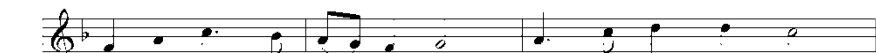
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

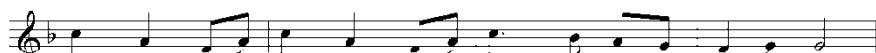
P It is indeed right and salutary that we should ... and so we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



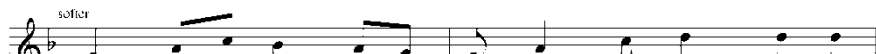
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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.


P 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.

LORD’S PRAYER

Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.

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 LAMB OF GOD

C  **Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have**
mer-cy on us. (repeat from beginning) **Lamb of God, you take a-way the**
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit
THE DISTRIBUTION *Please approach the altar as space is available. You may receive communion from pre-packaged elements or the common loaf, along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free options are available.*

HYMN "You Are Holy" (1st time only Choir, 2nd time, All)

1*



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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DU ÄR HELIG
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HYMN "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood, Sup - port me
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I

blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
 then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -

own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain

On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Our hope is secure because we are anchored to Christ. As our great High Priest and through His own body, He has opened a new and living way so that all believers may now approach God without fear (Heb. 10:20). Alternate tune: MELITA (717)

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MAGDALEN
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Acts 4:11–12; Matt. 16:18; Matt. 7:24; 16:24

Stand

THE BLESSING

[P] The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **[C]** **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God the Father, who in love and mercy sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. Strengthen us in the certainty of our Savior's saving work that we may rejoice this day and every day because of the faithful love You have shown to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26; Psalm 118:23*

Pastor: Because of Jesus' blessing, the gates of righteousness are opened to us.

People: **"This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

CLOSING HYMN "What Wondrous Love is This"



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
 I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be-
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll

caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
 neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my
 is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
 sing His love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

POSTLUDE

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Our Confession about Communion

Our Confession

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

Holy Week Events

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6

7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY

April 7

7:00 p.m. ~ Tenebrae Service ~ A service of darkness

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9

9:30 a.m. ~ Inflate and Place Helium Balloons

10:30 a.m. ~ Easter Worship Service!

6:00 p.m. ~ Inflate and Place Helium Balloons

7:00 p.m. ~ Easter Worship!