Palm Sunday March 28, 2021

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie

- P Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Confession & Absolution

- Let us confess our sin to God our Father:
 O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- We pour out our souls to you because by our own efforts we have failed.
 - Nothing we have tried has worked. We have tried again and again and still we have failed.
- P O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- Save us from the embarrassment of our failure. Save us from envying those who have apparently succeeded.

 Grant us some signs of success, that we not always be ashamed.
- P O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- You know our need. You know our struggles, our brokenness, our sins.

You know that without your mercy we can do nothing. Grant us mercy, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

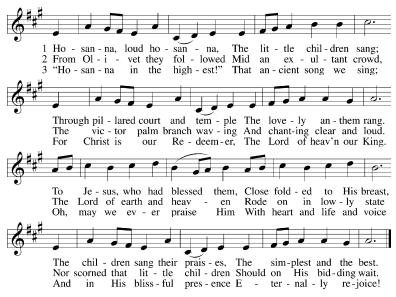
P Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John:

"This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin."

C Amen.

Hymn #443

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



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Psalm Psalm 24:7-10

P Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O 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!
- P Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- **C** Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, 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.

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice 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. ¹⁰I 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. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

- I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
- today I declare that I will restore to you double.
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Mark 15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifteenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹And 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. ²And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." ³And the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." ⁵But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

⁶Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. ⁷And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. ⁸And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. ⁹And he answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" ¹⁰For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. ¹²And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" ¹³And they cried out again, "Crucify him." ¹⁴And Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." ¹⁵So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

¹⁶And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. ¹⁷And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. ¹⁸And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. ²⁰And 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.

²¹And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²²And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵And it was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹And those who passed by

derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³²Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

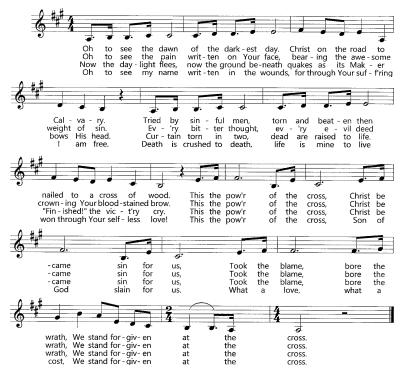
³³And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." ³⁶And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

⁴⁰There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.

⁴²And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, ⁴³Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the Council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. ⁴⁵And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. ⁴⁶And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



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⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prayer

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker 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 to judge the living and the dead.

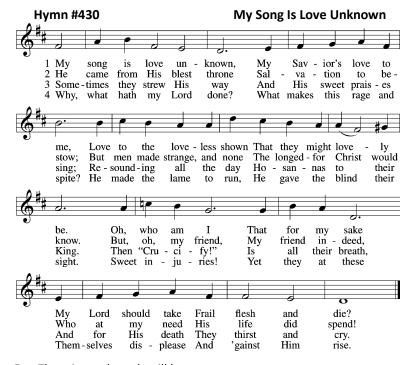
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

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

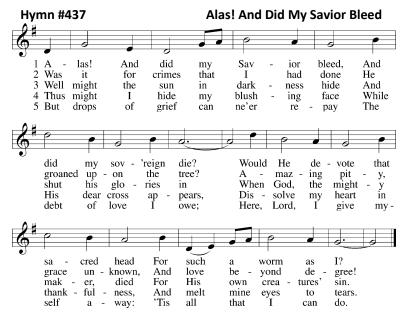
Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion



- 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful He To suff'ring goes That He His foes From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have; In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend!

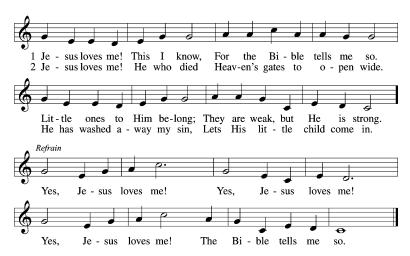


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Nunc Dimittis

- P Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
 Which You have prepared before the face of all people;
 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.

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.



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Benediction

- 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.
- C Amen.

Announcements

Sunday School

Sunday School continues special Lenten activities to prepare for Easter!

Sunday Bible Study –12:30 PM (Zoom). Please text Pastor Mueller if you have not yet attended

and would like a Zoom invitation link sent to your email.

Youth Confirmation —Today 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM Sunday Evening Prayer — 5:00 PM

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study - 6:30 AM

Titus 2: Women of Faith Bible Study - No meeting Saturday. The next meeting will be April 10th.

Blessing Blocks – The youth group invites you Take a Blessing & Leave a Blessing... Select a blessing block from the display in the narthex to take home! In exchange, a goodwill offering can be made to the youth group to help support the Youth Mission Trip.

Metro-East Lutheran High School is hosting the Sigmund Bohnet Memorial Golf Tournament Saturday, April 10, 2021. For more information, or to request a registration form, please contact the school at 618-656-0043

Holy Week Schedule

Maunday Thursday Worship – 7:00 PM
Good Friday Worship - 7:00 PM
Easter Sunday Worship – 9:00 AM (Limited in-person worship);
10:15 AM (Not Limited)

Easter Sunday – Easter Egg Hunt – Following the 9:00 and 10:15 AM worship service, please come down to Sunday School and after the short lesson we will go outside for an Easter Egg Hunt! There will be a lot of eggs so please join us!



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