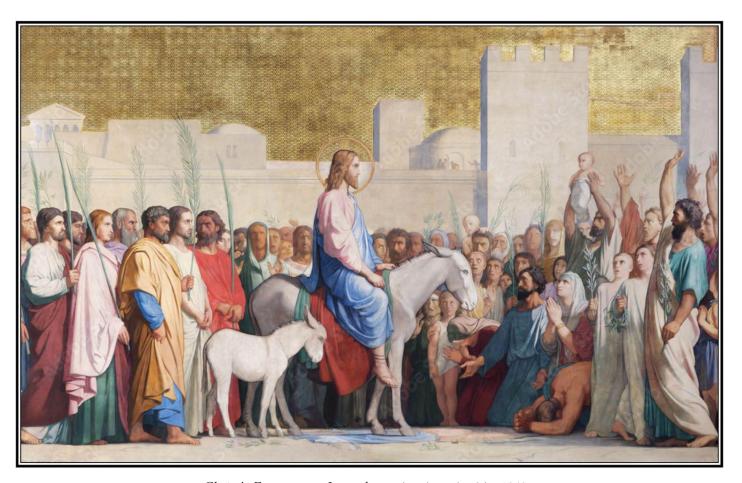
LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

₱ Palm Sunday ₱ April 2, 2023

Today's liturgy begins with a palm procession, commemorating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Quickly the tone of the service changes as we meditate upon Jesus' passion and death. Though Jesus is obedient even unto death on the cross, he is exalted by God. We gather to remember his offering for the life of the world, and to be fed by his life-giving mercy.

Holy Week culminates in the celebration of the Three Days of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection.



Christ's Entrance to Jerusalem, Hippolyte Flandrin, 1842

Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith, we are a loving and open community of worship, witness, and service in God's world.

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## ■ Gathering

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

L'espérance de Mississippi from Ouverture-Suite 'La Bourse' Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767)

Welcome & Acclamation Prayer

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

C: Hosanna to the Son of David.

Processional
Gospel
Matthew 21:1-11
Please stand
as you are able.



When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee."

Blessing of the Palms

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- P: Let us go forth in peace.
- C: In the name of the Lord.

#### Processional Hymn



#### All Glory Laud and Honor ELW #344



- P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C: Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of the Day

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

#### ■ THE PASSION OF OUR LORD ACCORDING TO ST MATTHEW ■

Sehet, wir gehn hinauf gen Jerusalem BWV 159

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Come ye, Come ye, Come, look ye now,

And say where goes our Lord today? Our way is up,

O weary road, to climb, o rocky, rough ascent, we sinners all must mount it!

However hard and steep we count it!

To Jerusalem, come ye, our way is up to Jerusalem.

Ah! Go Thou not! For there Thy Cross is now prepared,

where Thou must hang and bleed and suffer;

Thy cruel foes will lash Thee and will scourge Thee, nor any torment spare; Ah, Lord do not Thou venture there. Yet, if thou face not shame and anguish, I may not come to my Jerusalem, yea, ever deep in Hell will languish.



|                        | The Tempter Enters into the Heart of Judas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |  |  |
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| Narrator<br>II         | One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I betray Jesus to you?"                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator               | They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look fo an opportunity to betray him.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |  |
|                        | The Preparation and the Eating of the Last Supper                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator <b>People</b> | On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>I          | He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples."                                                                                                                                                                            |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator               | So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |
| I                      | "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator <b>People</b> | And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I Lord, surely not I?"                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>I          | He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."                                                                                |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>II         | Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>I          | He replied, "You have said so."                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>I          | While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator<br>I          | Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." |  |  |  |  |
| Narrator               | When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |
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I follow Thee still thru scoffing and shame, I will stand here close beside Thee,
I follow Thee still thru scoffing and shame, Thee will I not forsake.
Upon the Cross I would embrace Thee, When wicked men deride Thee
Upon the Cross, I would embrace Thee, And though Thy heart should break.
I will not let Thee leave my heart, And when Thy head is drooping,
I will not let Thee leave my heart, In death's last agony,
And if from life Thou needs must part, My arms will be about Thee,
Then find Thou there Thy final haven, And hold Thee near to me.

## The Agony in the Garden

Narrator

Then Jesus said to them,

Ι

"You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee."

Narrator

Peter said to him,

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"Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you."

Narrator

Jesus said to him,

Ι |

"Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, vou will deny me three times."

Narrator

Peter said to him,

III

"Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you."

#### People

#### And so said all the disciples.

Narrator

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

I "Sit here while I go over there and pray."

Narrator

He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

I | "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me."

Narrator

And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

"My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want."

Narrator

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Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

"So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Narrator

Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

"My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."

Narrator

Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand." Narrator While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, II The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." Narrator At once he came up to Jesus and said, II "Greetings, Rabbi!" Narrator and kissed him. Jesus said to him, I "Friend, do what you are here to do." Narrator Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, I "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?" Narrator At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled." Narrator Then all the disciples deserted him and fled. The Judgment Narrator Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, **People** "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days."" Narrator The high priest stood up and said, Men "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" Narrator But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, Men "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the

Son of God."

Narrator

Jesus said to him,

Ι

"You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Narrator

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

Men

"He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?"

Narrator

They answered,

People

"He deserves death."

Narrator

Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

**People** 

"Prophesy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

Narrator

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,

Women

"You also were with Jesus the Galilean."

Narrator

But he denied it before all of them, saying,

III | "I d

"I do not know what you are talking about."

Narrator

When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,

Women

"This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

Narrator

Again he denied it with an oath,

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"I do not know the man."

Narrator

After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

Men

"Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you."

Narrator

Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

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"I do not know the man!"

Narrator

At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said:

I

"Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

Narrator

And he went out and wept bitterly.

Recitative

Ah Jesus mine, I grieve indeed for Thee in this my little corner;
The world may cherish tainted joys the scoffer and the scorner;
For me is naught but tears and sadness
nor have I any further hope of joy and gladness,
until mine eyes shall see Thee reigning High in Heaven's splendor,
where, by Thy grace, redeemed and saved, my soul to Thee I shall surrender.

#### Death of Judas

**Narrator** 

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said,

"I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

Narrator

But they said,

Men

II

"What is that to us? See to it yourself."

Narrator

Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,

Men

"It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money."

Narrator

After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

#### Dawn Friday: Jesus Before Pilate

Narrator

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

IV | "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Narrator

Jesus said,

"You say so."

Narrator

But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

IV

I

"Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?"

Narrator

But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,

IV

Whom do you want me to release for you.

Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

Narrator

For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him,

Women

"Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him."

Narrator

Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

IV

"Which of the two do you want me to release for you?"

Narrator

And they said,

**People** 

"Barabbas."

Narrator

Pilate said to them,

IV

"Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

Narrator

All of them said,

People

"Let him be crucified!"

Narrator

Then he asked,

IV

"Why, what evil has he done?"

Narrator

But they shouted all the more,

People

"Let him be crucified!"

Narrator

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,

IV

"I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."

Narrator

Then the people as a whole answered,

People

"His blood be on us and on our children!"

Narrator

So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Friday Morning: Crucifixion

Narrator

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying,

Men

"Hail, King of the Jews!"

Narrator

They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots. Then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, **People** 

"You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

Narrator

In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

Men

"He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'"

Narrator

The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,

I "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"

Narrator

that is,

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Narrator

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

Women

"This man is calling for Elijah."

Narrator

At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,

Women

"Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Narrator

Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,

Men

"Truly this man was God's Son!

Narrator

Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

Aria

His work is done, the battle won, the pain is ended, the curse of Adam's fall amended, mankind redeemed from Hell.

Now will I hasten to render thanks and adoration,

World, fare thee well!

Late Friday Afternoon: Burial

**Narrator** 

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary

Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,

Men

"Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first."

Narrator

Pilate said to them,

IV

"You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can."

Narrator

So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

Chorale

Jesus from Thy passion came all my heart's elation; Thy despair and Cross and shame, Were for my salvation; Yea, my spirit blossoms forth, when I pause to ponder On the blissful days to come up in Heaven yonder.

Confession of Faith

Please stand

as you are able.



Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

P: Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

- A: Save your church, O God. Enable us to boldly confess in every time and...
- C: Jesus remember me, when you come into your kingdom...
- P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

## ₩ Offering ₩

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

#### The Palms

Jean-Baptist Faure (1845–1924)

O, let the palms wave on this happy day! Greetings they bear to us of joy and gladness. Jesus is come to take all grief away, He comes to banish gloom and sadness. Join all and sing His name declare, Let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation, Hosanna! Praised be the Lord! Glory to Him, who come bringing salvation!

> His gentle voice pervades the mighty throng. 'Tis He who freedom gives o'er land and sea; ' Tis He who gives in darkest night a song, Give light, O Lord, that we may come to Thee! Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem, Your children now sing the Redeemer's name; For by His grace the God of Bethlehem Brings them new faith and hope confirms the same.

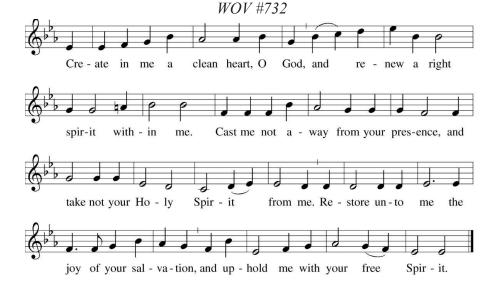
> > Create in Me a Clean Heart



Anthem

Please stand as you are able.





## **Offertory Prayer**

- A: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first 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.
- C: Amen.

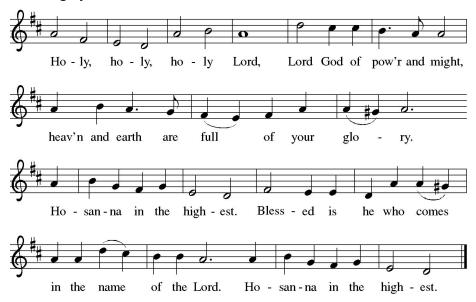
#### ₩ Meal ₩

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

**Great Thanksgiving** 



- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also 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 our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Words of Institution

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.

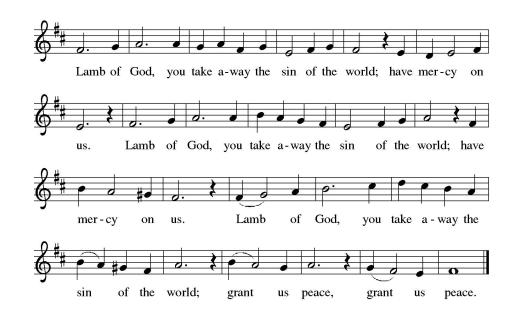
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Invitation to Communion *Please be seated.* 

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table has been prepared. All are welcome.

#### Lamb of God





#### Distribution

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.

#### **Distribution Music**

La solitude associée from Ouverture-Suite 'La Bourse' Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767)

## Post-Communion Blessing

Please stand as you are able.

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

## Post-Communion Prayer

- A: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

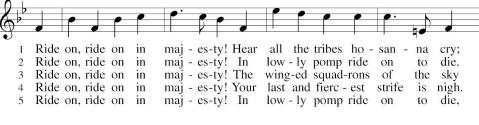
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We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace, sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.

## Sending Hymn



#### Ride On, Ride On in Majesty HFW #1074





O Sav - ior meek, your road pur - sue, with palms and scat-tered gar-ments strewed. O Christ, your tri-umphs now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con-quered sin. look down with sad and won-d'ring eyes to see the ap-proach-ing sac - ri - fice. The Fa - ther on his sap-phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son. bow your meek head to mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt. Music: ST. DROSTANE, John Bacchus Dykes, 1823–1876

#### Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

## Announcements *Please be seated.*

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

#### **Postlude**

La guerre en la paix from Ouverture-Suite 'La Bourse' Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767)

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.

## **WELCOME**

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.

We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

| YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY | Pastor.                      | Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug           |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                            | Organist.                    | Dr. Kristina Rizzotto            |
|                            |                              | Lake Street String Quartet       |
|                            |                              | Daryl Carlson, Ingrid Koller,    |
|                            |                              | Nanette Goldman & Carol Margolis |
|                            | Oboe .                       | Anthony Afful                    |
|                            | Trumpet -                    | Dr. Ben Alle                     |
|                            | Bassoon                      | Dr. Alexandra Berndt             |
|                            | Soloists                     | Shay Behrends, Debra Gilroy,     |
|                            |                              | Sean Lundquist & Arden Haug      |
|                            | -                            | Marty Carlson                    |
|                            |                              | Kathy Hering                     |
|                            | Readers                      | Jenna Alden,                     |
|                            |                              | Marty Carlson, David Hagford,    |
|                            |                              | Mark Duff, & Pierre LaMere       |
|                            | Altar Servers                | Linda Nelson                     |
|                            | Usher                        | Casey Christy                    |
|                            | Coffee Hour Hosts            | Don Holzschuh & Family           |
|                            |                              | Pancake Breakfast                |
| Church Officers            | President                    | Marty Carlson                    |
|                            | Vice President               | Steve Hoyt                       |
|                            | Treasurer                    | Ross Bartels                     |
| Staff                      | Pastor                       | Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug           |
|                            | Director of Music            | Dr. Kristina Rizzotto            |
|                            | Children's Ministry Director | Diane LaMere                     |
|                            | Worship Technical Director.  | Joseph LaMere                    |
|                            |                              | Linda Nelson                     |
|                            |                              |                                  |
|                            | _                            | Sarah & Trevor Skorburg          |
|                            | Custodian/Carctakers         | Surun & Trevor Skorburg          |

## **CALENDAR**

| SUNDAY, APRIL 2    | 9:30 am            | Worship with Holy Communion<br>& Sunday School | •                      |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                    | 10:30 am           | $Pancake\ Breakfast\ \&\ Easter\ Egg\ Hunt$    | Fellowship Hall        |
| Monday, April 3    | 7:00 pm            | AA                                             | Sanctuary              |
| Tuesday, April 4   | 7:00 pm            | Men's AA                                       | Fellowship Hall        |
|                    | 7:00 pm            | AA/Recovery & Spirituality Group               | Christy Room/Sanctuary |
| Wednesday, April 5 | 12:00 pm           | Staff Meeting                                  | Christy Room           |
|                    | 7:00 pm            | Choir Rehearsal                                | Sanctuary              |
| Thursday, April 6  | 10:00 AM           | Bible Study                                    | Library/Zoom           |
|                    | 11:30 AM           | Maundy Thursday Service                        | Sanctuary              |
|                    | 12:00 pm           | Al Anon                                        | Fellowship Hall        |
|                    | 6:00 pm            | Seder                                          | Library                |
| Friday, April 7    | 7:00 pm            | Good Friday Service                            | Sanctuary & YouTube    |
| SATURDAY, APRIL 8  | 8:00 pm            | Easter Vigil Bonfire                           | Cloister               |
| SUNDAY, APRIL 9    | 9:30 &<br>11:00 am | Worship with Holy Communion                    | Sanctuary & YouTube    |
| Monday, April 10   |                    | Easter Monday ~ Church closed                  |                        |

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Worship is live-streamed each week & remains available for viewing on <u>YouTube</u>

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Cindy Kiester, niece of Carolyn & David Hagford; Elena Glück & family, niece of Renate Amann; Barbara Koester, niece of Phyllis Dahl; Maureen Allen, friend of Carol Kuehn; David Zarling, friend of Kathy & Mark Hering; Sam Pederson, nephew of Jennifer Cook; Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench, friends of the congregation; Natalie Mozey, daughter of Alan & Mary Poulsen; Allison Peterson, friend of Susanne Haas; Bunny & David Anderson, sister & brother-in-law of John Bergford; David Cook, brother of Jenny Cook; Kathy Sawyer, niece of Philip Friedlund, Joey Juras & Fitz Loula, friends of the Gruys family; **Dona Duff,** mother of Mark Duff; Allison Reagon, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; Lyle Kuehn, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn; Sylvia Johnson, mother of Twyla Hobbs; David Nelson, nephew of Dave & Carolyn Hagford.

## Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Renate Amann 4/2 Jack Messerli 4/3 Alexandra Holzschuh 4/3 Whitten Berkland 4/3 Rick Pepin 4/4

## Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



## Staffed Nursery in the Christy Room

Our Nursery is staffed today for our littlest ones in the Congregation to use. Ushers can help you with directions to the Christy Room or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary.

## Visiting Sunday School Age Children

Children ages 3 through 6th Grade are welcome to visit Sunday School. We do ask that a parent or guardian accompany your child to Sunday School to get them checked in and settled before returning to worship.

## Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

## Maundy Thursday Worship

Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM Sanctuary

A brief service of Confession & Holy Communion will be held to celebrate the day Christ instituted his holy supper.

## Maundy Thursday Seder Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM Library

The congregation will honor the historic meal celebrating the Jewish roots of Jesus' last supper with his disciples. The congregation & friends are invited to participate in this special Middle Eastern meal. Please help us prepare by contacting the church office, if you will attend.

## Good Friday

Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM Sanctuary

Good Friday commemorates Jesus' death on the cross. The evening worship service, lead by the choir, will mark in readings and music Jesus' journey to the cross and his burial in the tomb. This service will be in-person and live-streamed.

## The Easter Vigil Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00 PM Cloister

On Saturday evening we celebrate the mystery of the resurrection and the promises given to those baptized into Christ's death. The worship service begins outside and moves into the darkened church where the stories of salvation are read. The service concludes by breaking the fast with champagne & hot cross buns.

## Easter Sunday Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 9:30 & 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Two worship services will be held to celebrate Christ's resurrection from the dead. The choir and guest musicians will perform at both services. The first service will be live-streamed.

## Women's Bible Study

Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM Library

We are studying *Children of the Day*, by *Beth Moore*. Deb Gilroy LOTI Groups

#### LOTI Women's Book Club

Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM

## Home of Deb Gilroy

This month's selection is *Midnight Library by Matt*. Join us!

Bring a snack to share if you like.

Deb Gilroy LOTI Groups

## Luther Park 2023 Summer Camp

Thinking about summer? So are we! Check out the summer camp opportunities at Luther Park in Danbury, WI. There's something for everyone! Go to Luther Park for registration and details.

## Elementary Camps (Grades 1-6)

Cabin Camp – June 18-23, June 25-July 2, and July 23-28; Choice of Half week (Gr 1-4) or Full week (Gr 3-6). Half weeks end on Wed instead of Fri. Beginners Horse Camp – (Gr 4-6): June 25-30 Intermediate Horse Camp – (Gr 4-6) July 16-21

## Youth Camps (Grades 7-12)

Treehouse Camp – June 18-23 or July 23-28 Canoe Trip – July 9-14 Beginners Horse Camp – June 25-30 Intermediate Horse Camp – July 16-21

## Family Camps

Both camps have choice of cabins, log house, retreat center, treehouses or campgrounds

Grand Camp – July 16-19 for Grandparents & grandchildren

Camp Getaway for Families – All dates are Friday-Sunday: June 23-25, June 30-July 2, July 7-9, July 21-23 or July 28-30



## **Easter Flowers**

Please take your flowers with you after the 11:00 service on Easter morning or during office hours during the week. The donation list will be posted on the Christy Room door. Wrappings are available there, as well.



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Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to Noon

