

April 13, 2025 PALM SUNDAY



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HOLY WEEK SERVICES



Maundy Thursday April 17 7pm Worship

Prayer Vigil

April 17, 8pm through April 18, 6pm - Sanctuary Only

Good Friday

April 18
Stations of the Cross - 12pm - Sanctuary Only
Tenebrae Service - 7pm

Easter Vigil with Displaying of Luminaries
April 19 at 7pm

Easter Sunday Worship Service
April 20 at 10am

All Service are in person and on Zoom unless otherwise noted.

Welcome to Church of the Savior – Lutheran:

We are a community of believers, seekers, and doubters. We affirm all of God's people just as they are. We are a welcoming and inclusive community that does not require you to change in any way to worship with us.

We strive to make love grow both in our congregational life and in our nursery school. We recognize all the love we have is given to us from the Holy Spirit, we are but reflections of God's love. One of the ways we make love grow is by being accepting and existing the way Jesus taught us; living in harmony together no matter one's race, nationality, or gender. We strive to create and ensure the safest and most loving environment for everyone. We look forward to growing in faith with you.

With Regard to Holy Communion:

We celebrate Holy Communion nearly every week at Church of the Savior. Holy Communion is a sacred meal in which Christ comes to us in bread and wine. "This is my body given for you... This is my blood shed for you." We believe those words to be true. Christ is truly present in Holy Communion. When we receive the bread and wine of this meal, we receive his body and blood "in, with, and under the forms" of the consecrated bread and wine. All of God's beautiful children are welcome to our Lord's table — it's our Lord's table, after all, and all are invited. Let's be clear — it is not "my" table, or "our" table or a "Lutheran" table. It is our Lord's table, and he sends out the invitations — to everyone under the sun. This includes you to come forward just as are.

For the bread we provide two types of host, with gluten and without. If you would like gluten free let Pastor Paul know when you come forward. We offer both red wine and white grape juice.

To the Parents of Children:

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for children to see and hear what is going on. Little one's tire of seeing the back of others' heads.

Explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastor, ushers, choir, and the people who make worship happen. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to The Church, to God and to one another. Let them know, and let us show them, that they are at home in their house of worship. The presence of your child is a gift to Church of the Savior. We are blessed to welcome and worship with our children. We know that is took a lot of work to get to this pew today; you are doing a really good job!

GREETING

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

People: We gather to worship Jesus, our Lord and King!

Pastor: We gather to experience God's story of love for all people!

People: We gather to be forgiven and sent in Jesus' name!

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

People: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray in unison:

People: Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon

him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that 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 heaven!"

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

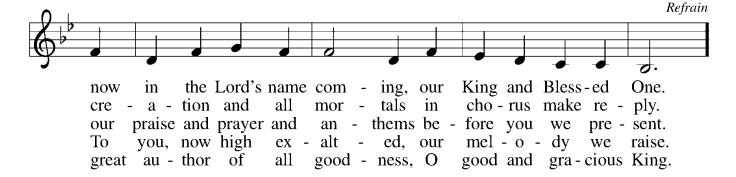
PROCESSIONAL HYMN: All Glory, Laud, and Honor







- the king Da - vid's roy - al 1 are of Is - rael
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing high; you on
- pil grims with palms be fore 3 The mul - ti - tude of you went;
- you, be fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise. To
- ac cept ed; ac - cept the prayers we Their prais - es you bring,



Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt. Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635



GREETING

Pastor: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

- ⁴ The Lord GoD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.
 - ⁵ The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.
- ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

People: Thanks Be to God

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
 11 am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

⁷ The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

⁸ he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a} It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

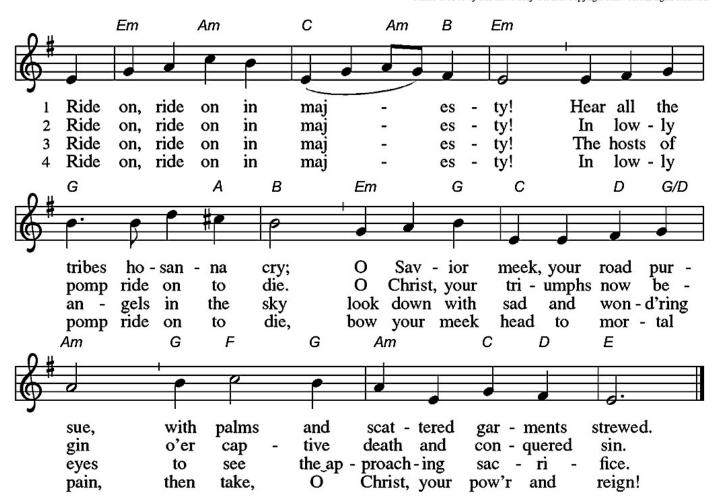
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HYMN OF THE DAY: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

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 should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

HOMILY: Pastor Paul

GOSPEL: Luke 22:14—23:56 The Passion of the Lord



CONFESSION OF FAITH - APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come 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.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Response: Receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

SPECIAL MUSIC: God So Loved the World

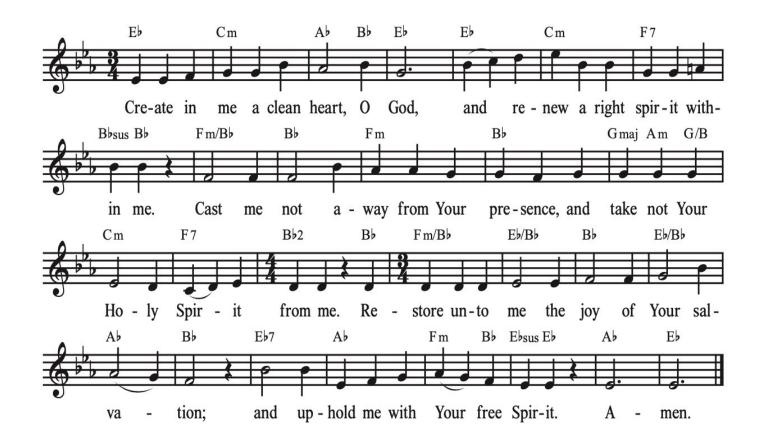
(Claudette Kline, Chalagne Vollinger, Bill Vollinger & David Kline)

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Church of the Savior
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QR code on right for your offertory giving.







ALL: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

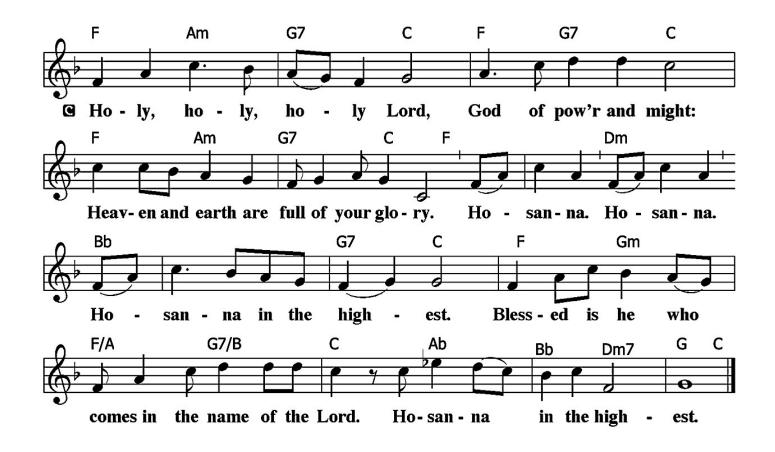
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE FOR THE SEASON

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

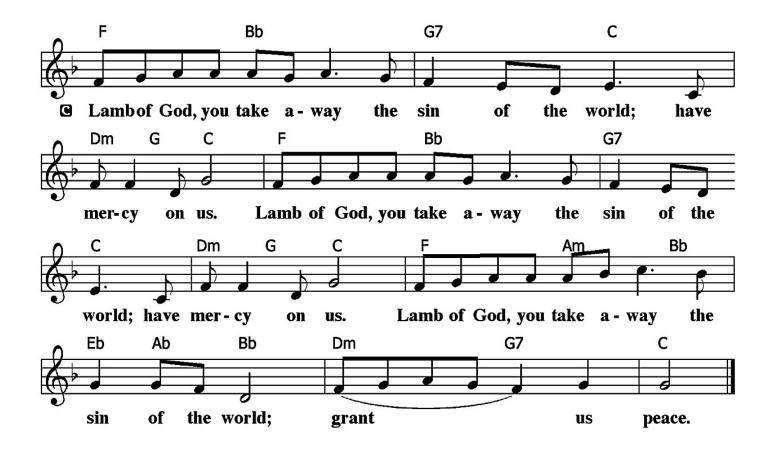
....proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

At conclusion of Eucharistic Prayer

People: Amen

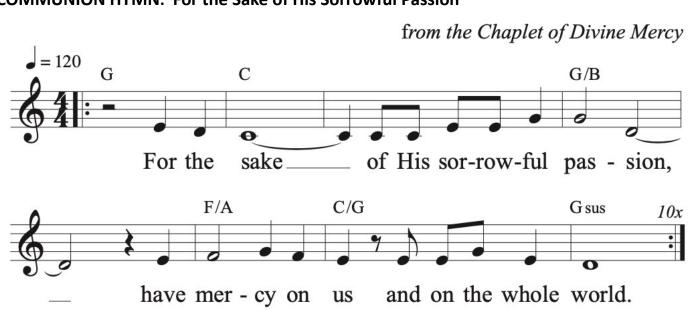




DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION



COMMUNION HYMN: For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion



COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace! **Amen.**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

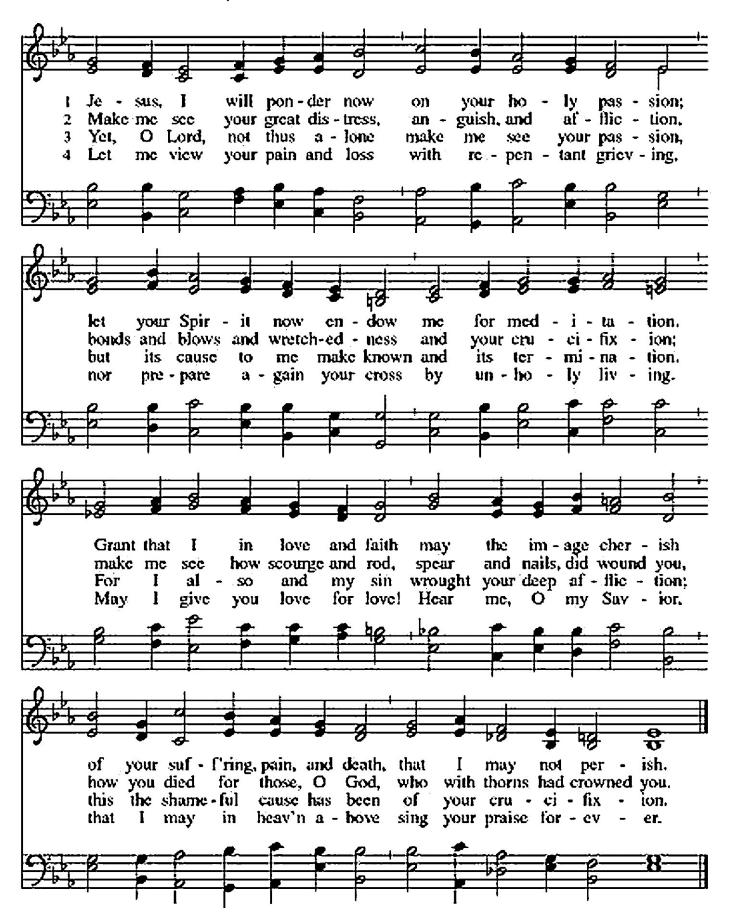
Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, + bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Jesus, I will Ponder Now



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

Thanks be to God!







SERVING TODAY

DATE	LECTOR	WORSHIP ASST.	USHER
Apr 13 Palm Sun	Dave Johnsrud	Maggie Harrer	Rick Henly
Apr 17 Maundy Thur	Susan Conrad	Laurie Feingold	Antoinette Walder
Apr 18 Good Fri			Ed Moderacki
Apr 19 Easter Vigil	Laurie Feingold	Laurie Feingold	
Apr 20 Easter Sunday	Christophe Moderacki	Maggie Harrer	
Apr 27	Maggie Harrer	Vicki Coyle	John Leara

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr 14-18 School Closed Spring Break

Apr 15 Council Meeting

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