



Immanuel
Lutheran
of Evanston

**Sunday of the Passion
with Liturgy of the Palms**

**10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist
March 24, 2024**

Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.


We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

Masks are now optional during worship service.

Facilities

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. Parking meters are free until 1:00 P.M. on Sunday.
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! Activity bags are available from the ushers. There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome." Please use the Internet responsibly!

About Our Worship

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin. If you're worshipping via Zoom, please remain muted until you get to the part where you will be invited to unmute and participate in some parts of the liturgy, as marked by this symbol.  = UNMUTE

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal because Christ invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. There are two options: You may come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements. The other option is we have individually packaged communion with either wine or grape juice that you can pick up at the entrance of the sanctuary. The pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you" following the singing of the Communion Song. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

Gathering: *The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God ...*

This week, the center of the church's year, is one of striking contrasts: Jesus rides into Jerusalem surrounded by shouts of glory, only to be left alone to die on the cross, abandoned by even his closest friends. Mark's gospel presents Jesus in his complete human vulnerability: agitated, grieved, scared, forsaken. Though we lament Christ's suffering and all human suffering, we also expect God's salvation: in the wine and bread. Jesus promises that his death will mark a new covenant with all people. We enter this holy week thirsty for the completion of God's astonishing work.

P: Presiding Minister **L:** Leader/Assisting Minister **R:** Reader **A:** Assembly

✙ *All may make the sign of the cross.*

The Assembly gathers in the courtyard for the Blessing of the Palms and Procession with Palms. If you do not wish to process, you may wait in the Sanctuary and meditate upon the scriptures.

Acclamation *The Acclamation is repeated three times.*

P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

A Hosanna in the highest!

Processional Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

P This is the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Mark.

A Glory to you, O Lord!

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ!

Blessing of the Palms

P The Lord be with you.

A And also with you.

P Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the Holy City in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Palm branches are raised.

Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the Cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A Amen.

Processional Song

Following the Cross of Christ, the Assembly processes into the Sanctuary singing and waving your palms. The refrain of "All Glory Laud and Honor", Our Gathering Song, will be sung repeatedly as we process.

When we reach the worship space, we will process up the center aisle and place our palms as an offering in the vase at the foot of the cross, then each will return by the side aisle, find a seat, and remain standing for the singing of the Gathering Song.


If you would like to take a palm home with you, you may retrieve a palm from the vase at the conclusion of worship.

We will begin singing verses of the "All Glory, Laud and Honor" once the organ joins the song.

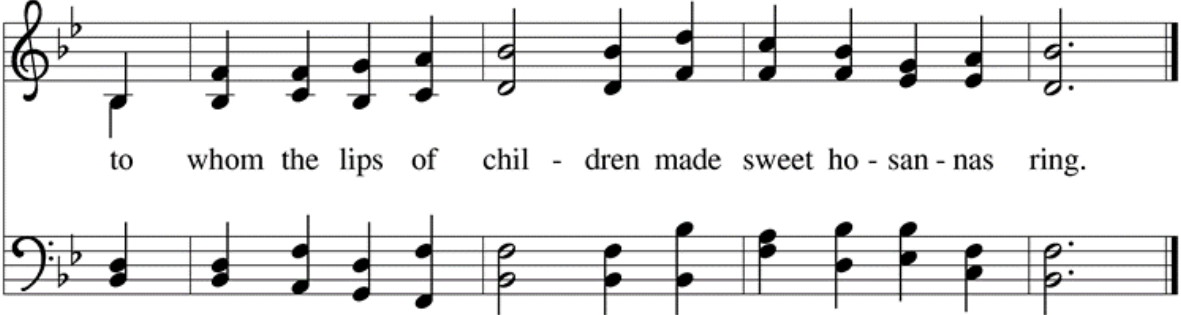
Gathering Song

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN) ELW 344

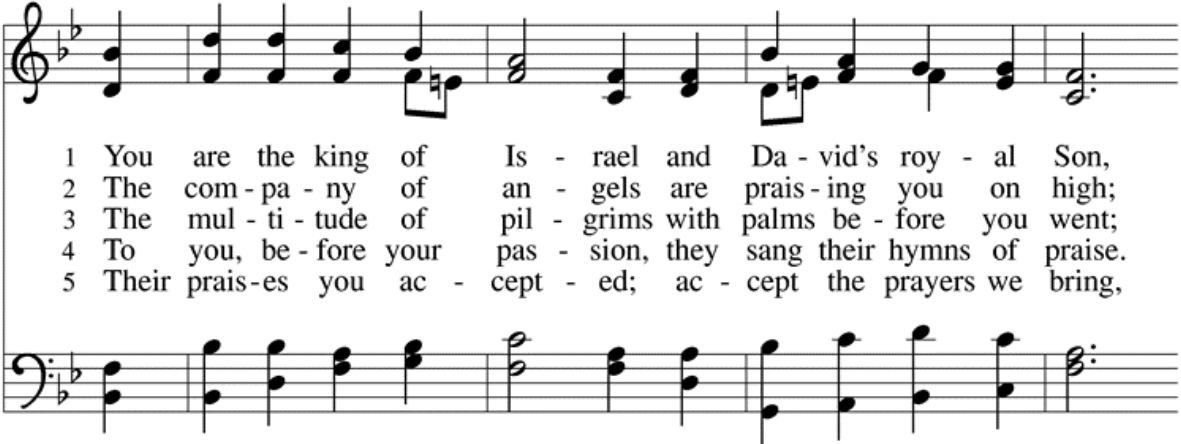
Refrain



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 are 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 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
 cre - a - tion and all mor - tals 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.
 great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A  **And also with you!**

Choral Introit *The assembly remains standing.*

“Hosanna filio David”
By Franz Schubert

Hosanna filio David;
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Rex Israel: Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna to the son of David:
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

O King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.¹⁴

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

A **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...

Pause for a moment of silence...

P 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.

A **Amen.**

The Assembly is seated.

Word: *God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song*

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 50:4–9a

R A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

⁴The 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.

⁵The Lord God has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious,

I did not turn backward.

⁶I 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.

⁷The 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;
⁸he 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?

R The Word of the Lord. Or, Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!



Psalm 31:9-16

Psalm Tone 11, 1 flat

The organ will play the tone, and then the refrain, and then the Assembly will sing the refrain through. The organ will only accompany the first two verses and the refrain.

The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses. The organ accompanies the first two verses and the remaining verses are sung unaccompanied.

All sing the refrain where indicated by "R."

Tone:



Refrain:



In - to your hands, O LORD, I com - mend my spir - it.

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I [|] am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat [|] and my belly.

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my [|] years with sighing;**

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones [|] are consumed.

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.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, [|] out of mind;**

I am as useless as a [|] broken pot. R

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.

¹⁴**But 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.

¹⁶**Let your face shine up- [|] on your servant;**

save me in your [|] steadfast love." R

Reading from the New Testament

Philippians 2:5-11

R A reading from Philippians.

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.

And being found in human form,

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 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.

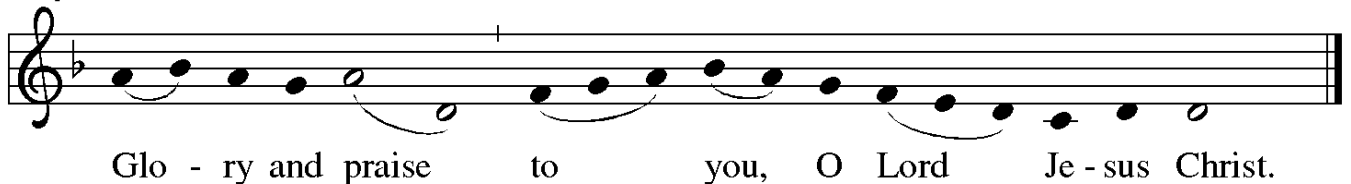
R The Word of the Lord. Or, Word of God, word of life.

A  **Thanks be to God!**

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

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Glo - ry and praise to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

The Assembly sits for the reading of the Gospel.

Gospel

“The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, According to Mark”

*The Gospel will be read from the booklet provided. The Assembly reads the parts in **boldface** type.*

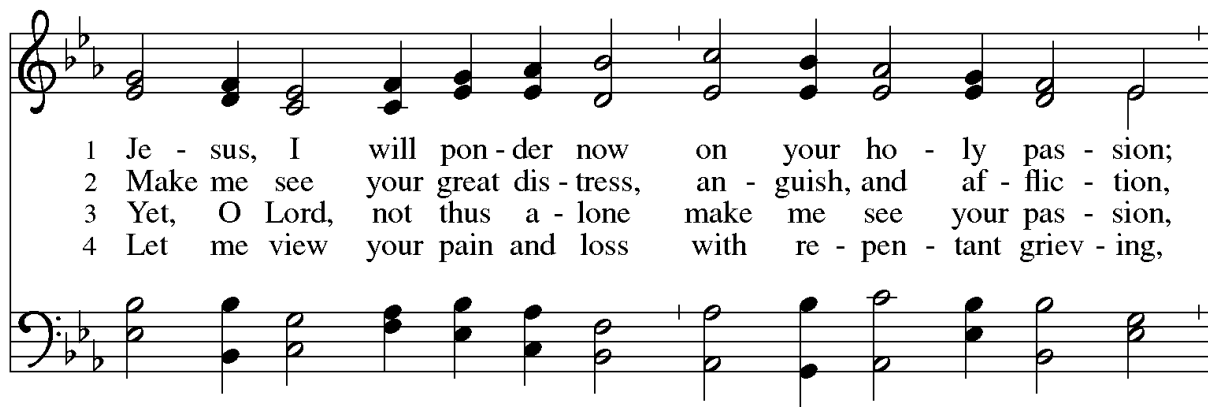
Time of Silence

A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.

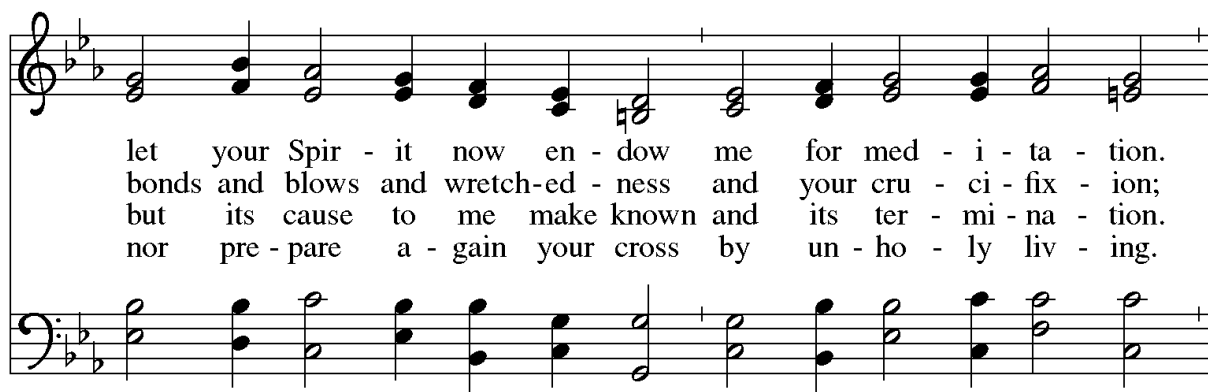
*During this time, you may want to meditate on one word from the scriptures
that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.*

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word with song.

Hymn of the Day "Jesus, I Will Ponder Know" (JESU KREUZ, LEIDEN UND PEIN) ELW 345



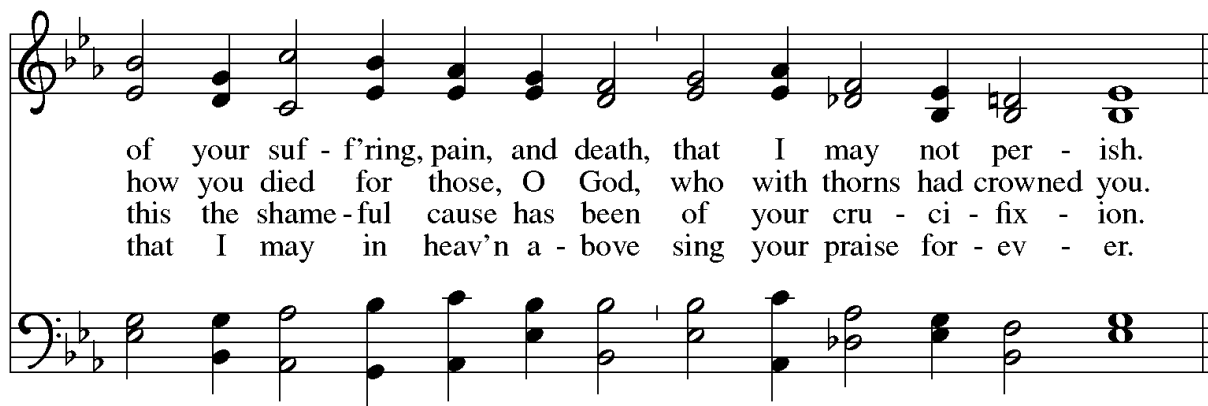
1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now on your ho - ly pas - sion;
 2 Make me see your great dis - tress, an - guish, and af - flic - tion,
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone make me see your pas - sion,
 4 Let me view your pain and loss with re - pen - tant griev - ing,



let your Spir - it now en - dow me for med - i - ta - tion.
 bonds and blows and wretch - ed - ness and your cru - ci - fix - ion;
 but its cause to me make known and its ter - mi - na - tion.
 nor pre - pare a - gain your cross by un - ho - ly liv - ing.



Grant that I in love and faith may the im - age cher - ish
 make me see how scourge and rod, spear and nails, did wound you,
 For I al - so and my sin wrought your deep af - flic - tion;
 May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Sav - ior,



of your suf - f'ring, pain, and death, that I may not per - ish.
 how you died for those, O God, who with thorns had crowned you.
 this the shame - ful cause has been of your cru - ci - fix - ion.
 that I may in heav'n a - bove sing your praise for - ev - er.

The Apostle's Creed

L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

**A 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.**

Prayers of the People

L Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

(brief pause)

L Blessed One, today the church sings glad hosannas as we enter Holy Week. Prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.

A 🕯 Your mercy is great.

L Fill us with hope to do the needed work in our communities. We pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Michael, our council, our justice ministries and all who guide and instruct our communities. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Encourage the work of foresters, scientists, arborists, gardeners, and river keepers. We pray for the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Establish peace and justice among the nations. Hold to account any with authority to judge others. Grant that courts, legislatures, and local governments will serve with integrity and compassion. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Bring hope to any who feel forsaken or forgotten. Make a way for refugees and asylum seekers. Reunite families enduring separation. We pray for any who are incarcerated, institutionalized, or in foster care, that they may know your love. We pray for those in need of special care, especially Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Joel Brown, Kathy Hermann, Dori Jacobson-Wenzel, Jim Jung, Nancy Lang, Jim McCarthy, Elaine Nelson, Darryl Rohrer, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts... Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Give energy and joy to our pastor/s, deacons, worship leaders, and musicians. Bless baptismal candidates, their sponsors, confirmands, and teachers. Watch over those who travel. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.

L Hear us, O God,

A Your mercy is great.

L Blessed One, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in discipleship throughout our lives and receive us into everlasting life. We give thanks for Oscar Arnulfo Romero and Hans Nielsen Hauge, whom we commemorate. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

P Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

A Amen.

Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

A  And also with you.

*Greet one another in the peace of Christ, saying "Peace be with you,"
"The peace of the Lord," or similar words.*

The Assembly is seated.

Meal: *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...*



Offering *An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need. You scan this code with your smartphone camera to make your financial offering online.*

Offering Music

"Ride On, King Jesus!"

Words and Music by Jean Anne Shafferman, arranged by Patti Drennan

Who is that riding on a donkey? Who is that coming into town?
Who is that Man? Who is that Man? See the Man! See the palms! See the crowd!
Who is that riding on a donkey, riding on through the cheering crowd?
Blessed is He! Blessed is He! Hear their shouts! Hear their cries fill the town!

Ride on, King Jesus! Ride on in majesty! Ride on King Jesus, ride on! Ride on to die!

Who is that riding on a donkey, riding as little children sing?
Anthems they sing, praises now ring: Son of David, the Lord, He is King.
He is the King of glory! He is the Lord of might! Lift up your heads, Hosanna sing!
He is God! He is Lord! Lift Him high!

Ride on, King Jesus! Ride on in majesty! Ride on King Jesus, ride on! Ride on to die!

A willing and humble sacrifice, the Lord of Light and Life,
the Lamb of God, He is our King! Ride on, ride on!

Ride on, King Jesus! Ride on in majesty! Ride on King Jesus, ride on! Ride on to die!

Presentation of the Gifts "Now is the Time of Grace" (NOW IS THE TIME OF GRACE) **ACS 918**

The Assembly stands and sings the Refrain twice as the gifts are brought forward.

1
Now is the time of grace, now is the day of sal - va - tion.

2
Turn now, and seek God's face, now be-hold God's in - vi - ta - tion.

Offering Prayer

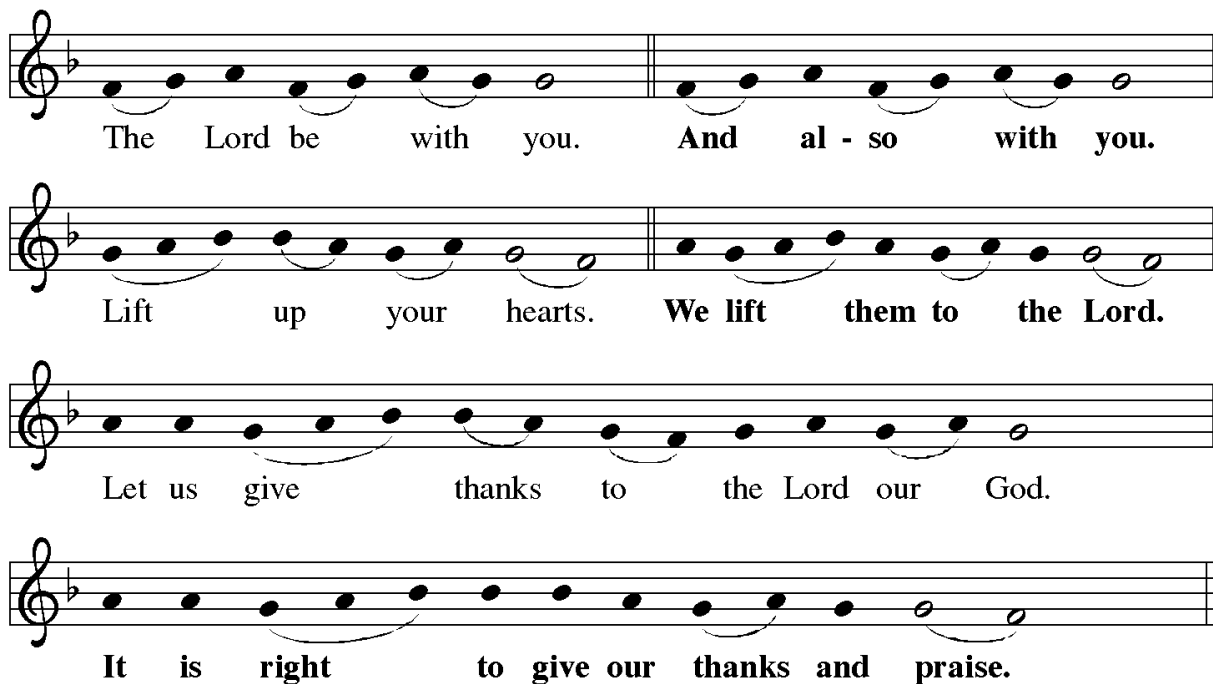
L Let us pray.
L Jesus, you are the bread of life
and the host of this meal.
Bless these gifts that we have gathered
that all people may know your goodness.
Feed us not only with this holy food
but with hunger for justice and peace.
We pray this in your name.

A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

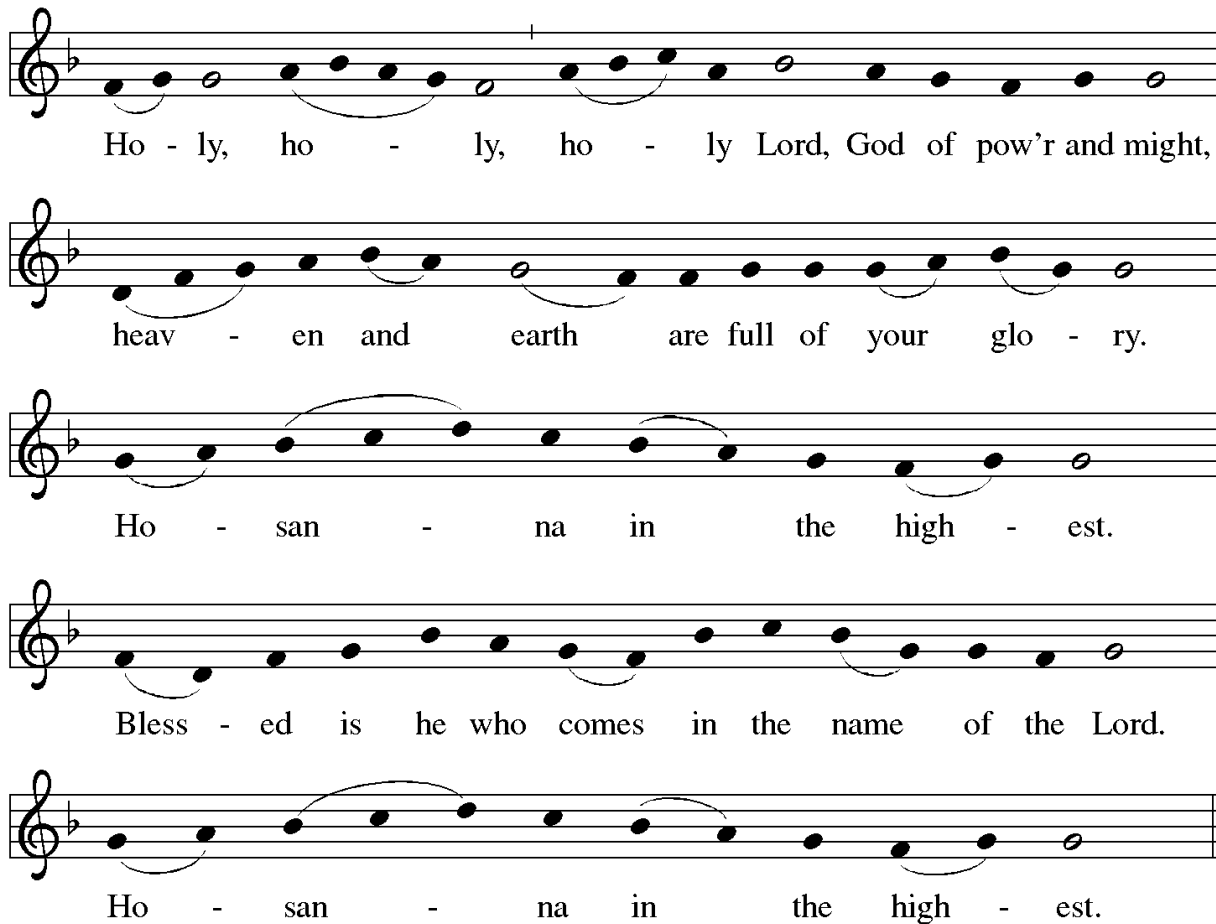
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface *The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:*

P It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you alone are good and
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
whose suffering and death gave salvation to all.
You gather your people around the tree of the cross,
transforming death into life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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 in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table


P God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
you have brought us this far along the way.
In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,
but guided us into the path of love and light.
In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.
The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.
In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



A  Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

P Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
 we await the day when Jesus shall return
 to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
 Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

A  **Amen**

P Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
 to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
 with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
 Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

A **Amen**

P Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
 that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
 we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.
 Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

A



A - men, a - men. A - men, a - men.

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

A **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done
 on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

P Bread for the journey.
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

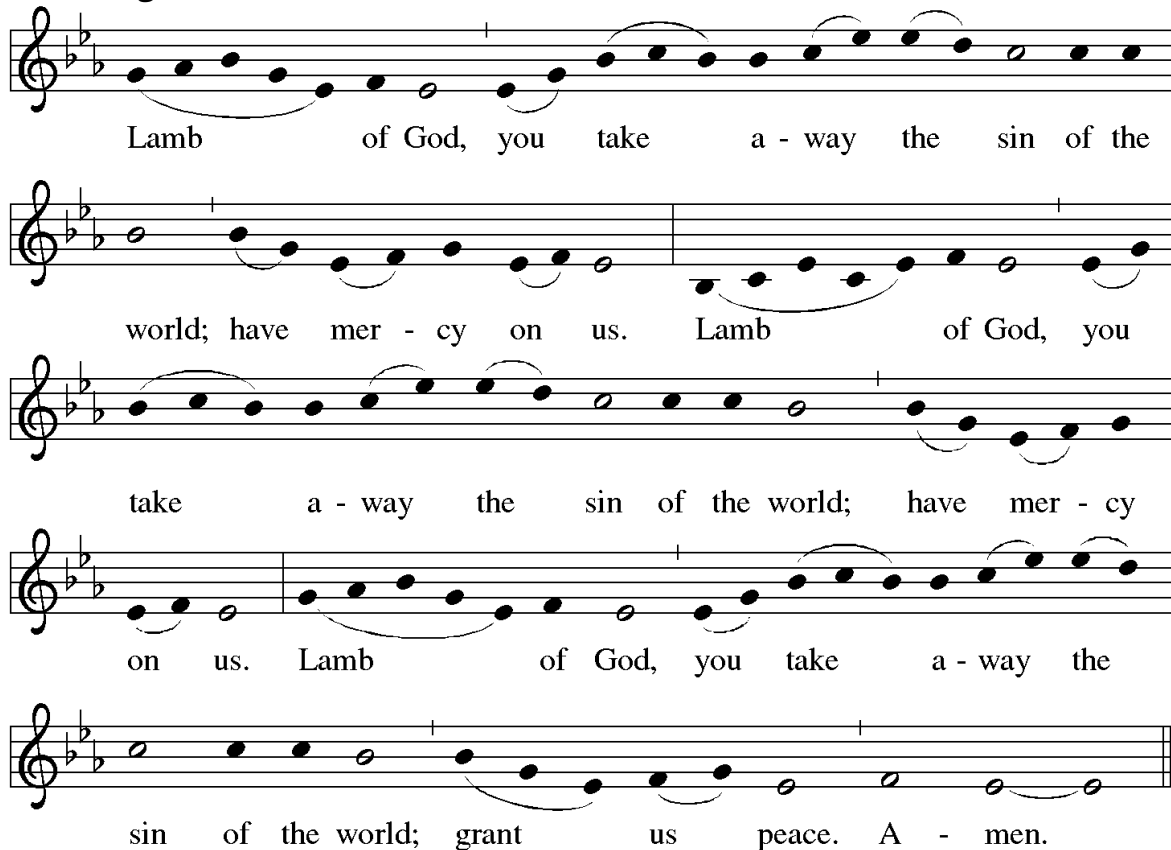
A  **We come to be filled with your love.**

The Assembly is seated.

Communion Song

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

Distribution of Holy Communion

For those who are communing with the packets or online, the pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you."

Those who wish, please come forward as the ushers direct, to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements.

P This is the body of Christ, given for you.
All communing remotely or with individual packets may partake of the bread.

P This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.
All communing remotely or with individual packets may drink of their cup.

When you receive the elements, you may respond by saying, "Amen."



1 They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 2 They nailed him to a tree, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 3 They pierced him in the side, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 4 The blood came stream - in' down, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;
 5 He hung his head and died, and he nev - er said a mum - ba - lin' word;



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not a word, not a word, not a word.

mumbalin' = complaining

The Assembly stands as directed.

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

A Amen.

Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray...

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.

As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

A Amen.

Sending: *God blesses us, and sends us in mission to the world ...*

Blessing

P Beloved,
we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed.
God bless you and keep you,
shower you with mercy,
fill you with courage,
and ✝ give you peace.

A  **Amen.**

This week's commemorations....

Oscar Arnulfo Romero, Bishop of El Salvador, martyr, died 1980

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Romero was deeply concerned with injustices evident toward the poor and powerless in El Salvador, and worked forthrightly against political repression. He was assassinated while presiding at the eucharist in a chapel near the cathedral in San Salvador.

Annunciation of Our Lord

Monday, March 25, 2024

Nine months before Christmas we celebrate the annunciation, in which the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would give birth to the Son of God. The ancient church believed that this was also the date of the world's creation and of Jesus' death on the cross.

Hans Nielsen Hauge, renewer of the church, died 1824

Friday, March 29, 2024

Hauge was a layperson who wished to revitalize the church in Norway. As a result of a mystical experience, he felt called to preach. Many professionals in the church feared his motives and influence, and he was imprisoned for leading unauthorized gatherings.

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1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
 2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
 help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
 till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain

In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;

till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

Dismissal

L Go in peace. Share your bread.

A  **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“Variations on “Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said” by Marilyn Biery

Please stay for a time of fellowship, congregational announcements, and celebrations immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall (on the east side of the building).

Today's refreshments are hosted by the Kraemers.

Come enjoy one another's company and this opportunity for connecting!!



**To join coffee hour via Zoom on a smartphone,
scan with your camera to get the link.**

The Palm Sunday Readers

Narrator.....	Amy Shearer
Jesus	Pastor Mark Sloss
Judas.....	Laurie Stivers
Peter.....	Steve Warner
Witness	Anne Heider
High Priest	Laura McDaniel
Servant.....	Kathryn Skelton
Pilate.....	Kit McCarthy
Centurion	Andrea Knohl

Serving in worship today...

Presiding Minister.....	The Rev. Mark Sloss
Assisting Minister	Kit McCarthy
Lector	8 Readers
Acolyte.....	Elora Kloster
Organist	Christine Kraemer
Music Director.....	James Morehead
Table Preparation.....	Kit McCarthy
Zoom Host.....	Jim McCarthy
Audio-Visual Technician.....	Tom Couch, Kevin McDaniel
Ushers	Marlene Chatain, Jim Rakowsky

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Monday, Mar. 25	FA Meeting	6:30 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 26	Midweek Spiritual Gathering	12:00 pm Noon
Wednesday, Mar. 27	Lenten Soup Supper	6:00 pm
	FA Meeting	6:30 pm
	Midweek Lenten Evening Prayers	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thursday, Mar. 28	Maundy Thursday Service	7:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 29	Good Friday Service	7:30 pm
Saturday, Mar. 30	Easter Vigil	7:30 pm
Sunday, Mar. 31	Easter Sunday/Feast of the Resurrection	10:30 am

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Dana Barron	Congregation Secretary
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Laurie Stivers	Financial Secretary
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