#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Sharon Boelman's sister, Shirley, broke her hip. Roger Young recovering from back surgery. Audrey Polenske's surgery to relieve back pain did not work. Myron Falter recovering from a stroke. Lexi Vaipae (Al and Sharon Boelman's great-granddaughter) LuEtta Clark (Sharel Olson's mother) Jerry and Linda Shaffer

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the Norfolk Chamber Singers **tonight** at 7 p.m. for "Fairest Lord Jesus," musical selections reflecting on the events of Holy Week, at Grace Lutheran Church, 5th and Park Avenue. No admission charge; a free-will offering will be taken.

Holy Week is the week of the Passion where Jesus dies for the sin of the world. It is important that we do not lose sight of this week. <u>Plan to attend</u> both Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services in preparation for Easter next Sunday!

The Easter lily sign-up sheet is on the back table.

If you would like to provide special music during Holy Week, please contact Brian Anderson or Pastor Steve.

<u>Kitchen Fundraiser</u>: Orders for Village Piemaker pies will be taken from April 1 to April 29 (watch for the sign-up sheet in the back). Pies are \$12.50 each and can be picked up May 6 after worship.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 29—Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 p.m. March 30—Good Friday service at 7:00 p.m. April 1—Easter Sunday Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast in the fellowship hall at 8:00 a.m. Easter egg hunt at 9:15 a.m. Celebration service at 10:00 a.m. (The church office will be closed Monday, April 2)

## CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMC

"CALLED" "TRANSFORMED" Pastor Stephen J. Lund "SENT"

## PALM SUNDAY — March 25, 2018

# Palm Sunday Litany (spoken from back of the church)

P: As the time approached for Him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. As He went along, people spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. When He came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

# C: "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!"

L: The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted:

# C: "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!"

> \*Opening Praise Medley "Sing, Sing, Sing" "Our God"

(\* = please rise as you are able)

## \*Opening Prayer

L: 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** 

## "Hosanna (Praise is Rising)"

#### \*Confession and Forgiveness

L: Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." C: Gracious God, we confess our faithless terror at the crossroad of suffering for your sake. We treasure the good life; we cling to the easy life; we fail to hear your call to walk in those ways that might bring us pain and suffering for the sake of others. We often choose to wrap ourselves in our self-made cocoon of personal preservation and seek to escape your call to ways that might put us among the hurting. Forgive our unwillingness to take up the cross marked with the names of the poor and vulnerable. Fill us with the Spirit so that we might overflow with the serving that proclaims your very presence with us. P: I have the honor and privilege, by the grace of God, of announcing to you the entire forgiveness of your sins. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and free—free to share the steadfast love of God with all.

#### \*<u>Prayer of the Day</u>

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Sharing of the Peace**

#### **Children's Message**

Scriptures: Isaiah 50:4-9a	Old Testament, pg. 681
Philippians 2:5-11	New Testament, pg. 197
*Gospel: Mark 11:1-11	New Testament, pg. 47

Message: "God's Peace, Your Peace" Pastor Steve

# \*Apostles' Creed

\*The Prayers Offering \*The Lord's Supper \*Post-Communion Blessing

\*Sending Song: "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

\*Blessing and Dismissal