

Sending Hymn
LBW #109 "Go to Dark Gethsemane"

*Go to dark Gethsemane,
all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see.
Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away;
learn from Jesus Christ to pray.*

*Follow to the judgment hall,
view the Lord of life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall!
Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;
learn from him to bear the cross.*

*Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb;
there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete.
"It is finished!" hear him cry;
learn from Jesus Christ to die.*

*Early hasten to the tomb
where they laid his breathless clay;
all is solitude and gloom.
Who has taken him away?
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes.
Savior, teach us so to rise.*

Benediction and Dismissal



April 5, 2020
Palm Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday Kyle Broders (April 7), Tate Petersen (April 8) and Blake Olson (April 12).

Join us on Facebook (Christ the Servant Lutheran LCMC) to view, hear, and participate in worship services at home.

Visit our webpage (www.christtheservantnorfolk.com) to download bulletins, children's bulletins, and weekly devotions (see Media).

Check your email every Tuesday for a message from Pastor Steve and the Congregation Council.

Keep in touch with each other by phone. Let them hear a personal voice on the other end.

Offerings can be mailed or brought to the office.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bereavement: God's peace and comfort for Jerry Hayes following the death of his brother, Marvin.

Church family: Don Burke, Arlis Lind, Harold Dunlap, Mona Jean Roberts

Family/friends: Wyatt Haas, Austin Dalton, Darrell Knee, Diane DeCamp, Forrest Jamison, Jim Cyboron, Joe Kotalik, Kim Alvarez, Joe Grosserode; Jared and Sau Man Weich, Joe Rystrom in Hong Kong; Msaranga Mandaka Parish in Tanzania

Prediction of the Passion

*(The service may begin with the Prediction of the Passion
(based on Mark 10:33-34) often read on Ash Wednesday, and
now brought to fulfillment in Holy Week.)*

P: Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem . . .
And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and
the scribes, who will condemn him to death . . .
And they will hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock
him and scourge him, and finally, they will crucify him . . .
But on the third day, he will rise.

Processional Hymn

LBW #108 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" vv. 1-3

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*You are the king of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessed One.*

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*The company of angels
Are praising you on high;
Creation and all mortals
In chorus make reply.*

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

For Learning God's Ways

Holy One, you have sent teachers and prophets to your people since the beginning of time. Grant us ears to hear and hearts to be open to the power of your Holy Word. Help us to be faithful in discernment and in obedience to you as we hear you speak through the Scriptures. Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

For This Holy Week

Lord of Life, grant us the gift of new life as we follow Jesus to the cross during this Holy Week. Remind us of his selfless sacrifice for humanity, and fill us with a renewed understanding of what Jesus' life, death, and resurrection means for all who trust in you. Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

For a Time of Peace

Prince of Peace, bring about your reign of peace in this world where trouble strikes daily, where the hungry cry out for food, and the victims of injustice cry out for help. Give us peace in our hearts even as we practice peace in our churches, homes, and workplaces. Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

For Renewal of Life

God of all healing and wholeness, pour out your healing Spirit we pray, on those who are struggling with issues of health, trauma, or grief. Bring hope to all who are suffering, [especially . . .]. Fill with relief and new energy those who cry out to you. Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Scriptures

Old Testament: Isaiah 50:4-9a

New Testament: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel: John 12:20-50

Palm Sunday Message

“Hosanna! Save Us, Jesus!”

Hymn of the Day

LBW #385 “What Wondrous Love Is This” vv. 1-3

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this

that caused the Lord of bliss

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

when I was sinking down, sinking down,

when I was sinking down

beneath God’s righteous frown,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;

to God and to the Lamb I will sing;

to God and to the Lamb,

who is the great I Am,

while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,

while millions join the theme, I will sing.

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before you went.
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before you we present.*

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

Processional Gospel Reading

(John 12:12-19)

The large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, “Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!”

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

Palm Sunday Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: 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.

Hymn of Praise

LBW #108 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" vv. 4-5

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*To you, before your Passion,
They sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.*

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*Their praises you accepted;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King.*

*All glory, laud, and honor
To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

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.