



Palm Sunday

Hosanna: Blessed is the
King of Israel that cometh
in the name of the Lord.

John 12:13, KJV

PALM SUNDAY

March 24, 2024

Peace Lutheran Church

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke or one of the Ushers as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. We continue to observe the guidelines for health safety. If you have any questions, please see an usher. Everyone is welcome.

The ringing of the bell and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

Children are welcome at our worship services. If you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a playroom equipped for children three years old and younger. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed in the fellowship hall where the service is also being live streamed for your convenience and enjoyment.

Holy Communion is celebrated every first and third Sunday and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. If you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to partake. We have pre-wrapped communion wine or juice and wafers. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you.

There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

Offering. Peace Lutheran Church understands and teaches that Offerings are voluntary and to be from the heart. Whether we give or do not give does not determine our salvation. Whether we give much or little does not determine our standing before God. Sharing an Offering is an opportunity to quietly practice generosity with our neighbors.

Serving You	
Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Diane Crocker
Supt. Of Sunday School	Brandy Stokes & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Daniel Dusek
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling
Webmaster	Jim Holroyd
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Praise Team	Rick Durling, Patrick Kamins, Karyn Stanley, Nora Stanley, Diane Crocker, Kaia Lucke, Sarah Grassel, Caleb Santora

Today, March 24, 2024	
Musician	Colleen Schulze
Reader	Janette Payne
Children's Message	Pastor J.
Flowers	Audrey Bond (in honor of friends turning 80 and Ruth Moser's 90 th birthday)

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

AS WE GATHER..... “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.” This was the welcome the crowd gave Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. Today we add our voices in the welcome, knowing that in order to save us from sin and its death, our Lord had to suffer in our place on the cross and die in our place to set us free from sin and its death. What a great entrance into Holy Week!

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



INVOCATION

Leader: *In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen.

OPENING BLESSING

Leader: *Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.*

People: Hosanna in the highest!

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: *Let us pray.*

Leader: *Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

People: Amen.

GOSPEL READING: *John 12:12-19*

Jesus enters Jerusalem.

12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem.

13 They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna! ” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the king of Israel!”

14 Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

15 “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.”

16 At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

17 Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word.

18 Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him.

19 So the Pharisees said to one another, “See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!”

Leader: *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Leader: *Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

People: Hosanna in the highest!



During the Opening Hymn, the congregation is invited to walk forward and place their palm branches into one of the two receptacles.



OPENING HYMN

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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*Chorus: 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.

Chorus

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

Chorus

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

Chorus

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

Chorus

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

Chorus

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

Leader: Lord, we come before You in prayer today, asking for forgiveness.

People: Gracious God, we admit that we are sinners, and that we have gone against your loving will in thoughts, words, and actions. We do not want to hear your word challenging us in our lives and our priorities. We ask for your forgiveness, so that we are freed from our sin to live in your gracious love.

GOD FORGIVES

Leader: *Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

People: Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament:

Zechariah 9:9-12

The prophet foretells of the humble King.

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE:

Philippians 2:5-11

Humbled to death on a cross that we might be exulted with Him.

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children's
Message



CHOIR ANTHEM

“Hosanna in the Streets”

Music and words by Pepper Choplin. Copyright 2009 Lorenz Publishing Company

Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes.
Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes
in the name of the Lord.

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I heard He can raise the dead. Is it true?
Oh yes! Oh yes, I saw it.
He called out to an open grave
And from the dead a man He raised.

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I heard that He calmed a storm. Is it true?
Oh yes! Oh yes, I saw it.
He called out to the angry waves “Peace, be still,”
And we were saved.
He comes to save. All people shout:

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Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes.
Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes
in the name of the Lord.

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Could He be the promised One?
Oh, yes, Messiah.
He will reign as a mighty King,
Deliver us and set us free.
Come and praise the holy One with a shout!
Come shout with a voice of triumph!
Spread your coats on the path before,
Prepare the way of the Lord.
Prepare the way.

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Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes.
Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes
Hosanna!

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Hosanna to the great Messiah.
Hosanna to the holy King.
Hosanna with a voice of triumph,
lift your head and sing:

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Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes.
Hosanna, Hosanna!
He is the King of Israel.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Blessed is He Who comes.
Come shouting: Hosanna!
The King has come! Hosanna!

SERMON

Pastor Jeremy Lucke

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APOSTLES' CREED

**ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And was born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate.
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy Christian Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING

We give our offerings as a sign of our lives offered to God.

OFFERTORY

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: *Because our Lord humbled Himself and became obedient even to death on the cross, now He is highly exalted, at the Father's right hand, ready and able to receive our prayers and accept our praise. Let us go to Him in prayer for all people in their various circumstances.*

Leader: *For people without the necessities of food, clothing, and shelter, that the Holy Spirit would hear their cries and groans, bringing tears of relief and peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: *For all who face this day burdened with illness or addiction, ongoing conflict with people around them, or fear of what might happen, that God would assure them of His gracious presence and strengthen their faith in His guidance and protection, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: *For those who serve the needs of others as they provide medical and emergency care, as they maintain order in our communities and peace across borders, and as they put themselves in danger that their neighbors may find the protection they need, that God would use the gifts He has placed within them to serve in compassion and love, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: *For people near and dear to us, [especially . . .], that God would visit, relief, and console them in His grace and mercy, and for the church here and around the world, that our Lord would strengthen our faith and move us to be His servants, drawing people to His glorious death and resurrection and serving Him with all that we are and have, let us pray to the Lord.*

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: *Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

CLOSING BLESSING

Leader: *The Lord bless you and keep you. The make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.*

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Henry Van Dyke, 1852-1933 Arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven 1770-1827; Copyright Public Domain

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Hail Thee as the sun above.

·
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

·
All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise;

·
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

·
Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!

·
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are Thine:
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the Joy Divine.

·
Mortals, join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.

·
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music lifts us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

DISMISSAL

Pastor: *Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE



As you exit the building, you are welcome to place your palm branch in one of the receptacles outside the door.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL. Because of all the activities on Easter Sunday, there will be no Sunday School that day.

SEDER MEAL CELEBRATION AND SIGN-UP. Our celebration of the Seder Meal will be Thursday, March 28 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is not a meal rather a remembrance of the foods that the Jewish people used to remind them of their exodus from slavery from the Egyptian pharaohs. We encourage you to eat before you come. After the Seder, we will join Pastor in going to the Sanctuary for Holy Communion.

To provide adequate seating and food samples, please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board located in the hall to the Fellowship room. Please take a reminder ticket if you like. We also need participants to provide items for the Seder meal. Please sign up for the items you can provide on the list posted on the bulletin board. All items are to be brought to the kitchen and labeled for the Seder service by March 21. Please let Peggy, Ellen or Janette know if you would like to help with the set-up, food preparations or clean-up for the Seder celebration; we will need you. Peggy Krueger, Ellen Holroyd, and Janette Payne.

PREPARING FOR EASTER. Easter is one week away, and we need your help. Below are the items needed, and we are hoping you can bring at least one or more.

Please consider bringing finger foods only to fellowship Easter Sunday as we expect to have guests and children for the Easter egg hunt. Please don't bring anything that needs a fork or spoon to eat so that we will have an easy cleanup.

Every year a wooden cross is placed at the entrance to the church, and it is decorated with cut flowers. Please bring cut flowers to help decorate the cross anytime on Good Friday up until Saturday at noon when the cross will be decorated. Flowers can be placed in the buckets of water in front of the church. Be looking in your yard and think about contributing flowers.

Please consider bringing an Easter lily to church to help decorate the Sanctuary. Place them in the kitchen on the counter.

Plastic eggs were given out for the children's Easter egg hunt. Please place them on the kitchen counter when filled with candy, money, stickers, etc. anything fun that can fit in an egg.

EASTER EGG HUNT. The Easter Egg Hunt will take place immediately following the worship service next Sunday, March 31. All children in grades 6 and below are welcome to come. Please invite your neighbors and friends.

BOOK SWAP/AUTHOR TALK. Mark your calendar - Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 am-12:30pm. This is a free event for the ladies of Peace as well as any friends/community members or interested parties. See Diane for any questions.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE.

- Thursday, March 28 at 6 pm Seder Meal with Holy Communion to follow.
- Friday, March 29 at 7 pm Good Friday Worship.
- Sunday, March 31 at 10 am Easter Worship with Holy Communion--Easter Egg to follow at 11:15 am.

