

PALM SUNDAY

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Welcome to God's House

We have come to the final stretch of Lent, known as "Holy Week." Think about what that title is implying. We normally talk about a "holiday" (short



for "holy day"), where one day is set aside for some special observance or celebration. But for centuries, believers have set aside this entire week for special observance. Clearly, what is discussed during Holy Week is important. Indeed, what we see happen this

holy week is the foundation of our eternity.

In Holy Week, we see the impossible. The Son of God dies. The Lord of life enters the last place he belonged—the grave. But what we will see this week is that, when Jesus entered the tomb, he did not go alone. He buried all our baggage with him: sin, guilt, shame, condemnation, fear. Jesus will walk out of the tomb. But thanks to him, those things will all stay dead and buried.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Dear friends in Christ, during the weeks of Lent we have been preparing to commemorate our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn journey of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Savior and to gain for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We follow him in faith and praise him with joy.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Hymn

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna! #413:1, 3

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; thro' pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav'n, our King. Oh, may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice and in his royal presence eternally rejoice.

Confession of Sins

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

The Word

Prayer of the Day

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading Isaiah 42:1-4

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations.

- ² He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets.
- ³A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.

In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;

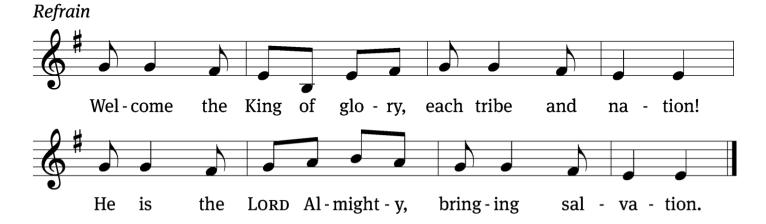
4 he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Welcome the King of Glory - Psalm 24A



The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, they will receive blessing from God their Savior. *Refrain*

Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?
The Lord Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Refrain

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

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

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 19:38

Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ. "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it."

- ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"
- ³⁴ They replied, "The Lord needs it."
- ³⁵ They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.
- ³⁷ 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:
- ³⁸ "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"
- "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"
- ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"
- ⁴⁰ "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty #411

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.

O Savior meek, pursue your road, with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.

O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky look down with sad and wond'ring eyes to see th'_approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest strife is nigh. The Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die. Bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign.

Sermon Luke 19:28-40

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with

the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, you were acclaimed as the Son of David and the King of Israel by the pilgrims in Jerusalem.

For those whose faith is weak, remind them that you are indeed the Messiah, the one sent to redeem your people from their sins.

You entered Jerusalem not as a conquering ruler but riding on a donkey as the Prince of Peace.

For those living in war-torn lands, protect them and give to them the peace that passes understanding.

You accepted the praise of those singing "Hosanna!" and rebuked those who tried to silence them.

For those who are suffering persecution for your name, preserve them and fulfill your promise to never leave them or forsake them.

You wept over Jerusalem and grieved that its people did not recognize the time of God's coming.

For those who do not believe your saving message, bring them to

faith and make them members of your family.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

You began your walk to the cross with your triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Even as we journey through the darkness of your suffering and death this week, remind us of the promise of your resurrection.

For those gathered together in your name, fill us with this sure and certain hope that we might dedicate each day to you. Amen.

Offering

The members of Zion have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you are a visitor, please don't feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

The Sacrament

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up, to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Sing, "Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts on high, your everlasting glory fills earth and sea and sky."
Our voices cry, "Hosanna!" Lord, hear our humble plea: in mercy, come and save us; in love, come set us free.

Hosanna in the highest! How blest is Christ our King, who died as our Redeemer, eternal life to bring!

How blest are you, Lord Jesus, now coming in God's name!

"Hosanna in the highest!" our grateful hearts proclaim.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

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Dearest Jesus, loving Savior, Christ, who takes all sin away, Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, hear us as we humbly pray: in our dire and desp'rate need, for your mercy, Lord, we plead.

Dearest Jesus, loving Savior, Christ, who takes all sin away, Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, hear us as we humbly pray: let your mercy still increase; grant us pardon, grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #512

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of our God who from his altar call; extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown him Lord of all. Extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.

Ye Gentile sinners, ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall; go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all. Go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; **His mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

Amen.



Welcome to Holy Week

Today: 7:30 / 9:45 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship with Holy Communion

8:30 / 8:45 a.m. Sunday School / Adult bible study

7:00 p.m. Laudate Dominum Concert at St. Matthew's,

Oconomowoc

Mon: 6:30 p.m. Evangelism meeting

7:00 p.m. Elders

8:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Tue: 6:30 p.m. Ladies' Aid Meeting

Thu: 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion

Fri: 1:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship with Holy Communion

Sun: 6:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise service

7:00 a.m. Easter breakfast

9:00 a.m. Easter Festival service

In Our Prayers Herbie Justman, at *The Pavilion* in Slinger for rehab after a partial hip replacement.

Holy Week The final week of Lent marks the most pivotal week in human history. In the four gospels – the biographies of Jesus' 33 –year life – this single week consumes nearly a third of them. The events of this week are that important. Join us for the special services this week and you'll see why. Take this bulletin home today or pick up a calendar so you have the dates and times of all the worship services. Bring

Lord's Supper As a church concerned with upholding all the truths of Scripture and encouraging faithful Christian living, we practice "member communion" with those who have confessed a unity of faith with us. If you are not a WELS or ELS member and you would like to commune with us in the future, please speak to the pastor after the service.

Holy Week Devotions The Foolishness of the Cross is the latest devotion

book from Martin Luther College. It contains a devotion for each day of Holy Week, April 13-20, written by MLC faculty. It's available online. Go to www.mlc-wels.edu/, scroll down and sign up by clicking on the "Holy Week Devotions" link.

Easter Breakfast Signup You'll find a signup sheet on the bulletin board for food / drink items needed for our Easter breakfast this year. Please check the board and sign up for one or two of the remaining items. Thank you!

We thank Jared Peterson (Thursday) and Bea Pamperin (Sunday) for serving as our organists this weekend.

Lighthouse Youth Center Thanks to all who donated items for the supper and the Galleske family for serving at Lighthouse this past Friday.

Sunday School Singing Parents of Sunday School students, the Sunday School children are scheduled to sing in church on the 4th (upper grades) and the 11th (younger grades). Please work with them on the words to the songs.

Work Day If you've driven around the church property / cemetery lately, you know there is plenty of work to do when the weather warms up. Please *save April 26th* on your calendar to join us in an outdoor / indoor workday to do some much – needed spring cleaning and keep God's house and property here at Zion looking good.

Pick up the new April calendars, *Forward in Christ* and church newsletters from the cabinets in the entryway.

Help Wanted We could use some help after the late service today (Sunday) setting up the fellowship hall for the Easter breakfast next Sunday. With a good group, it won't take long. Thank you!

New Member Class Do you or do you know of someone who would like to become a member of Zion? The route to church membership includes an adult instruction class that is held at various times of the year, depending

on the schedules of those desiring the class. If you are (or you know of someone who might be) interested, please contact Pastor Bode at 262.483.0407 or revsdb@aol.com).

WELS 175th Anniversary Dinner The WELS Historical Institute cordially invites you to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the founding of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod at a dinner at Salem Lutheran Church and School. The original constitution for the WELS was adopted on May 26, 1850. That adoption took place at the first synod convention, held in a small log cabin church at Salem Lutheran Church in Granville (about 30 miles SE of here). We invite you back to birthplace of the Wisconsin Synod on May 28th to celebrate God's grace to our church body. The WELS Museum will be open beginning at 4:00 p.m. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. at Salem Lutheran Church with a program on the history of the WELS to follow. Tickets for the event are \$50 / person. Go to www.welshistoricalinstitute.org and click on the 175th Anniversary dinner link.

KML Elementary Band Program Online registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. Parents and current fourth through seventh grade students who wish to learn more about the program and our free summer band camps are invited to attend one of two informational sessions in the Band Room at KML on Sunday, April 27 at 2:00 PM and Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00 PM. We also have one final concert performance at KML on Tuesday, April 22 at 6:30 PM if you would like to see and hear the group in action. Admission to this concert is free! If you would like more information, please visit www.kmlhs.org/kmlesbands.

Seminary Scurry 2025 Get your running shoes ready for the annual Seminary Scurry, scheduled for Saturday, April 26 at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon. Participants can join the 5K Family Run-Walk and/or the Half Mile Kids Dash, and each participant will receive a t-shirt and lunch. A bounce house will also be open to all children! The cost for adult

participants is \$20. For more event information or to register, visit www.wisluthsem.org/sem-scurry-march-2025/.

Charger Wear Coordinator Needed Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School is looking for a volunteer Charger Wear Coordinator! We are very thankful for Kristie Waldvogel who has done a great job serving in this position for the last couple of years. The Charger Wear Coordinator will help choose and guide apparel suppliers in the designing & printing of new KML apparel, coordinate purchasing, retailing, and inventory of school apparel, serve as a liaison with our online store supplier, facilitate the Charger Wear recycle program, and manage the Charger Wear booth for KML Freshmen Orientation and Registration.

If you have an eye for design and enjoy working independently, this volunteer position could be right for you! Interested? Questions? Contact Mr. Joe Greefkes, Activities Director (262.677.4051 x4003; joe.greefkes@kmlhs.org).



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today at 7:30 & 9:45 a.m.

Surrendering Power for You

HOLY THURSDAY

April 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Renewed by the Gospel

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18 at 1:00 p.m.

Restored by His Sacrifice

EASTER SUNDAY

April 20 at 6:00 a.m.

Sunrise Service in Word and Song

Easter breakfast served at 7:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall

EASTER SUNDAY

April 20 at 9:00 a.m.

Rejoicing in Resurrection Hope