



Sunday, March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

Theme of the Day:

Rethinking Religion: Rethinking Real Strength

Congregation sings or speaks the bolded text

Palm Sunday Procession with Palms

Please stand.

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✚ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: 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.

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

C: Hosanna in the highest!

P: Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted "Hosanna" and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: in the name of the Lord.

The procession begins. During the procession, the joint choir will sing an intro and the congregation will sing the hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna," verses 1 & 3.

413 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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The Word

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

⁹Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

24A Welcome the King of Glory

Psalm 24A

Refrain

Wel - come the King of glo - ry, each tribe and na - tion!
He is the LORD Al - might - y, bring - ing sal - va - tion.

The earth is the LORD's, and every- / thing 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 be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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Second Reading

Hebrews 12:1–3

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation

John 12:23

P: Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ. The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Gospel

Mark 11:1–10

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ²saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.’ ” ⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵some people standing there asked, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” ⁶They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” ¹⁰“Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

412 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Sermon Text: Hebrews 12:1-3

Sermon Theme: Where can we find the power to endure?

- 1) In the Pioneer and Perfecter of our Faith**
- 2) Who did everything for the joy to be with you**

Please stand.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come 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.**

Please be seated.

Offering

Friendship Registration

Guests: Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

Members: Please fill out name and any new information.

Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!

415 Exult Today, Jerusalem

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Please stand.

P: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

P: 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.

C: Amen.

411 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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Announcements

WELCOME! Thank you for joining our Trinity family in worship today. We invite you to keep growing with us through God's Word and Sacraments. If you have a question, please speak to a pastor or a Trinity member. If you are a guest, please pick up a guest packet and give your name and address in the friendship registration located in each pew. Ask the ushers if you need a pocket-sized aid for the hearing impaired. Large print bulletins are available upon request, with the Hymns for the service printed in them. A Nursery with our service on TV is located off the lobby for parents who need to calm young children.

TORNADO RELIEF- SPECIAL COLLECTION a door offering will be collected extending through Easter Sunday, March 31. The gifts collected will be divided and distributed to those dealing with the damage caused - especially considering the families and properties along Township Road 29. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Nowak, Staff Minister Falck, or the office.

BIBLE STUDY THIS WEEK: We will continue our Bible Study on the seven churches of Revelation. We will be discussing the letter to Ephesus.

EASTER BREAKFAST If you signed up to bring any food or other items, drop off will be at the school on Saturday, March 30th from 9-11am. Volunteers, if you can be there during that time to help organize everything that would be greatly appreciated. **Sign-ups and an RSVP** lists are available in the back of church and in the basement. Sign up to come to Easter Breakfast, bring something, or sign up to volunteer! Set up will be on Saturday, March 30th at 10:00am.

CHOIR There will be NO CHOIR this Wednesday. Instead, there will be choir practice after the Maundy Thursday service.

CARD SHOWER Marilyn (Marquart) Maroscher, a former member, will be turning 90 on April 4th. Her family would like to give her a card shower. Please send her a card at: 497 Cherry St., Bluffton, OH 45817.

SAVE THE DATE: SCHOOL 75TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AND PROGRAM: On Sunday, May 19th, we will gather to celebrate God's grace in giving us the privilege to share the Gospel through our Lutheran School for the past 75 years. Pastor Silas Schmitzer will be our guest preacher at both the 8:00 & 10:30 service. A meal and program will follow the second service, beginning around noon. Watch for information about how to RSVP for the meal so we can get an accurate count. Questions? Contact Principal Falck.

FUN WITH FOOD: Join us for Mornings with Mommy on Monday or Tuesday, April 1 or 2. Bring your children/grandchildren to make a plate of spaghetti and meatballs, do a bean bag pot toss, go on a picnic, explore our alphabet soup, and even play with cooked spaghetti. Register online at tlcjenera.org or call 262-391-7994.

RISEN SAVIOR On Sunday, April 14, Risen Savior Lutheran in Mansfield has invited us to celebrate the installation of their new pastor, Rev. Allen Schleusener. The service takes place at 4 pm on April 14. A catered meal will also be served. If you are planning to attend the service, please email Pastor Nowak at pastormattn@gmail.com or the church secretary. You can also call or talk to Pastor Nowak. Please RSVP by March 31. **The choir will be singing at Risen Savior for the service at 4pm. We are planning to take a bus to Mansfield for the installation. Please meet in the church parking lot at 2:30pm if you need transportation.**

LIMA FOOD BANK IN MARCH: Women's Ministry is volunteering at the West Ohio Food Bank in Lima on Wednesday, March 27 from 1:00-3:00 PM. We will be packing "senior boxes" or "emergency boxes" for the Food Bank to distribute to those in need. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to join us. We will meet in the church parking lot at 12:20 if you want to drive together. The address is 1380 Kibby St. Lima, OH 45802. Questions? Contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY CONCERT CHOIR CONCERT: April 7 -- The Concert Choir from Michigan Lutheran Seminary will be singing for our worship services on Sunday, April 7. The choir is wrapping up their spring break tour to the Washington D.C. area. MLS is one of our synod's prep schools where students begin their studies for the preaching and teaching ministries. We will gather a door offering to help with their travel expenses. Please use this as an opportunity to invite a friend or relative to church with you! A door offering will take place for the choir on April 7th & 14th.

PRESCHOOL PLAYTIME: Do your kids need a warm place to get some energy out? Join us for a FREE open gym for all preschool aged children at Trinity Lutheran School on Monday, April 8 from 10:00-11:00 AM. We will have balls to play with, ride-on toys, mats to crawl/roll around on, mini-trampolines, slides, infant toys, and lots of space to run around and play.

CHILDCARE: Immanuel Lutheran in Findlay is holding a congregation seminar on April 20-21 (Sat.-Sun.). They are looking for people to watch a few children for either Saturday morning or afternoon, or Sunday afternoon. An honorarium will be given, along with a meal. Please contact them at 419-422-8209 or office.immanuelfindlay@gmail.com if you can help for part of that time.

DAILY LECTONARY

Sun: Ex 8:1-32, *Ps 118*, Heb 1:1-14; **Mon:** Ex 9:1-28, *Lam 1:1-22*, Heb 2:1-18; **Tue:** Ex 9:29-10:20, *Lam 2:1-22*, Heb 3:1-19; **Wed:** Ex 10:21-11:10, *Lam 3:1-66*, Heb 4:1-16; **Holy Thursday:** Ex 12:1-28, *Lam 4:1-22*, Heb 5:1-14, *Ps 31*; **Good Friday :** Ex 12:29-13:1-16, *Lam 5:1-22*, Heb 6:1-20, *Ps 22*; **Holy Saturday:** Ex 13:17-14:9, Heb 7:1-22

RECENT SHUT-INS: Contact the Office if you would like their address.

Bluffton

Betty Heldman
Julaine Boehm
Mary Alice Gauss

Arlington

Sandy Reel
Gary Beach
Marie Marquart
Ralph Anderson
Mary Ann King
Deloros von
Stein

Findlay

Janice Reichley
Ann Crawford

Jenera Area

Laverne Freed
Dennis Marquart
Karen Rauch
Sharon Sands

Holy Week Services:

March 28th: Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:00pm

March 29th: Good Friday Service 7:00pm

**March 31st: Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am; Easter Breakfast 7:30am-9:30am;
Easter Service 9:30am**



Palm Sunday

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE (week of March 17th)

Total Worship Attendance: 276, Early: 141, Late: 135; Adult Bible Class: 37; Sunday School: 37; Teens: 5
Online worship service views for March 10th: 41; Midweek Lent 5: 88; Mornings with Mommy: 81

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through April 6th are the members of Gary Mitchell’s Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, April 7th, will be the members of Joe Spaeth’s Undershepherd group.

GREETERS today are: John & Janet Weihrauch – early
Bob & Julie Inniger – late

Next Sunday: Deb Reichley – early
Warren Pratt – late

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (March 24th through March 31st)

TODAY Worship 8:00 & 10:30; Palm Sunday; Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, Teen Bible Class 9:20

Wed NO CHOIR

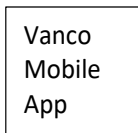
Thu Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 w/ Communion; Choir after service

Fri Good Friday Service 7:00

SUN **Worship 6:30 & 9:30;** Easter Sunday; WELS Connection; Easter Breakfast between services; NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mon- Fri NO SCHOOL



OUR MISSION STATEMENT: *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*