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ALTAR PALMS

The altar palms for today are given to the Glory of God by Ann & Chip Blackwelder.

PALM CROSSES

The palm crosses for today are given by Elizabeth Hurley in memory of her father & mother, Sam & Catherine Petrea.

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THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

THE HOLY COMMUNION

TEN O'CLOCK



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Welcome to St. James Lutheran Church

Maybe you need forgiveness, or maybe you need to forgive ... Maybe you're tired and you need a little space to breathe ... Maybe you're trying church for the first time, or maybe you're trying church for the last time... Maybe you've spent your whole life wondering if God really loves you... Maybe you're lonely... Maybe you're sick... Maybe you came here looking for a miracle... Maybe you came here looking for another church but got disoriented and came here instead, and now it's too late to get up and walk out... Maybe, with God, there are no accidents... Maybe, with God, there is hope and healing and miraculous companionship... Maybe, with God, there is space to breathe and forgiveness on top of forgiveness... Maybe, with God, there is love... Maybe, with God here in our midst, we will hear those words that still split open the heavens, "You are my son! You are my daughter! You are my beloved. You. In you I am well pleased!" Maybe this is why we gather together, week after week after week, here at St. James.

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome in this place - not just by the Saints at St. James, but by the God who revealed himself in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, our brother, and our friend.

Welcome to St. James.

If you are comfortable doing so, please introduce yourself to Pastor Bill. If you have visited with us a number of times and think you might want to "make it official," please speak to Pastor Bill. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to the person next to you or to an usher.

Restrooms are located on the first and second floor of the Education Building. A nursery is available for children up to and including five years of age on the first floor of the education building. An usher will be happy to help you find them.

If you're visiting or if you have been here for 99 years (and are willing to do so), please sign a pew pad.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

March 29 – Jerry Hopkins

March 30 – Anne Hodges, Joe Propst, Jr.

April 1 – Jeff Gilbert

April 4 – Kathryn Craver, Austin Hoadley

CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 29	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	
	9:00am	Adult Sunday School
	9:00am	Choir
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School
	10:00am	Worship
Mon., March 30	10:30am	Quilting
Thurs., April 2		<i>Maundy Thursday</i>
	Noon	Spoken Liturgy
	7:00pm	Worship with Choir
Friday, April 3		<i>Good Friday</i>
	Noon	Worship with Choir
Sunday, April 5		<i>Easter Sunday</i>
	9:00am	Adult Sunday School
	9:00am	Choir
	9:30am	Children's Sunday School
	9:45am	Music Prelude
	10:00am	Worship

HUMANE SOCIETY SUPPLY DRIVE 🌸

Throughout March, St. James Social Ministry Committee is collecting supplies for the Humane Society of Concord & Greater Cabarrus. Needed items: paper towels, blankets (not stuffed or quilted), canned chicken breast, Dawn dish soap, and liquid Tide detergent.

Please place donations on the counter under the animal shelter board in the portico by **March 31.**



***St James Lutheran Church:
Growing in Christ through Worship, Learning, Fellowship and Service.***

**THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
THE HOLY COMMUNION**



The People gather inside the sanctuary.

PRELUDE

Toccata for Organ

Weaver

The minister, standing among the people, says:

THE INVOCATION and OPENING PRAYER

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

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

C **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

C **Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” ⁴ This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵ “Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷ they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹⁰ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” ¹¹ The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The people raise their branches.

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

P Let us go forth in peace,

C in the name of the Lord.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN #108 All Glory, Laud and Honor

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
3. The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.
4. To you, be - fore your Pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
5. Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious king.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

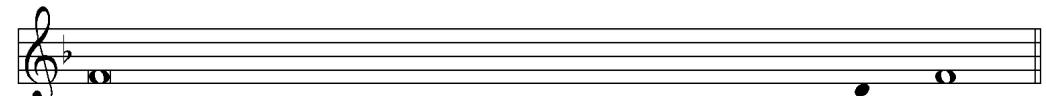
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

THE KYRIE



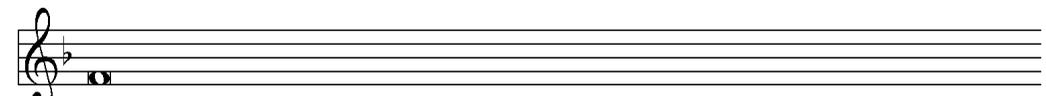
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



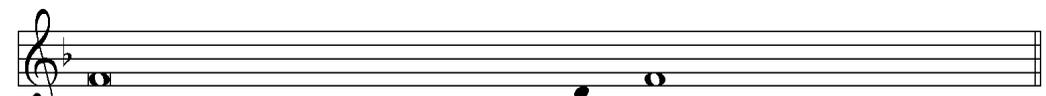
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



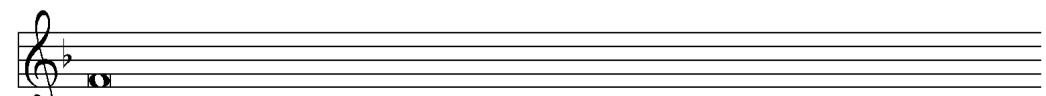
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



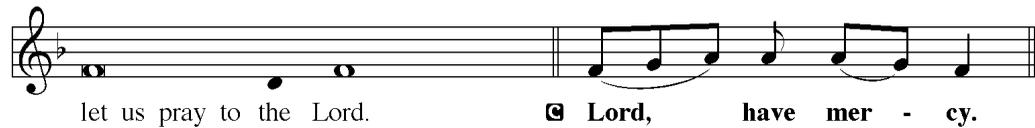
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
C **Hosanna in the highest.**
P Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**



Please sit.

THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens-- wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

A The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

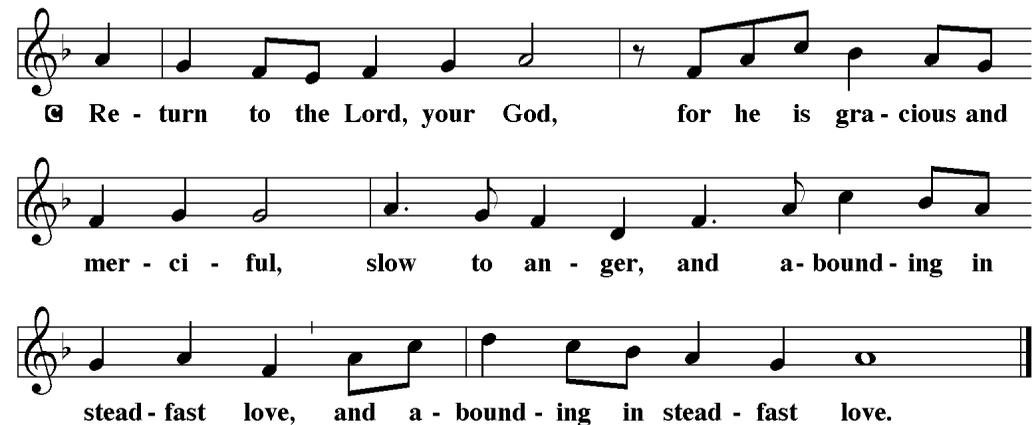
THE SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death -- even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 23rd chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You say so.”¹² But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer.¹³ Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?”¹⁴ But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

¹⁵ Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted.¹⁶ At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Jesus Barabbas.¹⁷ So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?”¹⁸ For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.¹⁹ While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.”²⁰ Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed.²¹ The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” And they said, “Barabbas.”²² Pilate said to them, “Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” All of them said, “Let him be crucified!”²³ Then he asked, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!”

²⁴ So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.”²⁵ Then the people as a whole answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!”²⁶ So he released Barabbas for them, and after flogging Jesus he handed him over to be crucified.

²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him.²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,²⁹ and after twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!”³⁰ They spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head.³¹ After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

³² As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),³⁴ they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;³⁶ then they sat down there

and kept watch over him.³⁷ Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.”

³⁸ Then two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.³⁹ Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads⁴⁰ and saying, “You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,⁴² “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him.”⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to, for he said, ‘I am God’s Son.’ ”⁴⁴ The rebels who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

⁴⁵ From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.⁴⁶ And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”⁴⁷ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “This man is calling for Elijah.”⁴⁸ At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.⁴⁹ But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”⁵⁰ Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.⁵² The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.⁵³ After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.⁵⁴ Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit.

THE HOMILY

Please stand.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: O Sacred Head Now Wounded

1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
 2 How art thou pale with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;
 3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
 4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;

now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 how does that vis - age lan - guish which once was bright as morn!
 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?
 re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.

O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;
 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,
 These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.
 for he who dies be - liev - ing dies safe - ly in thy love.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C 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 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 to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please kneel or sit as able.

THE SUFFRAGES

A Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
 Have mercy on us.

Turn away, O Lord, the fierceness of your wrath,
 And in pity spare your people:
And have mercy.

Grant a favorable and speedy answer to the prayers of all,
 we implore you:
And have mercy.

Look, O Christ, upon our groanings,

loose the bands of death, and grant us life:
And have mercy.

Behold our tears, consider our sighs,
and now at length in pity forgive our sins:
And have mercy.

Though none of us be worthy to be heard,
yet, O Christ, for your own self help us:
And have mercy.

We cry to you, O Lord; have mercy on us;
And grant forgiveness.

O King of heaven, everlasting Lord,
receive the prayers which we pour forth:
And grant forgiveness.

Visit the sick, bring forth the captives,
help the widow and the orphan:
And grant forgiveness.

We have sinned and have departed from you;
Redeemer of all, save us:
And grant forgiveness.

Have mercy on the penitent, and wash away the stains of sin:
And grant forgiveness.

Let us all with one voice cry:
Lord, have mercy.

Show us your mercy, O Lord, grant pardon, grant remission:
And graciously have mercy.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,

Neither reward us according to our wickedness.

Enter not into judgment with your servants
For in your sight shall no one living be justified.

P Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross,
and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our
death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your
holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for
with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and
forever. Amen.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Please sit.

ANTHMN:

Sanctus & Benedictus
(from *Messe Solennelle*)

Louis Vierne

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Osanna in excelsis.*

*Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Osanna in excelsis.*

*Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY



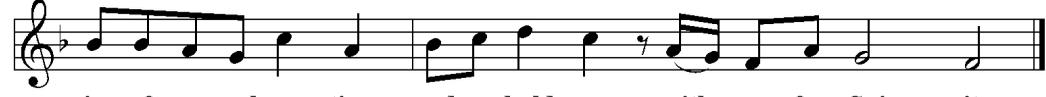
 ☩ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -



 it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the



 joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.
 A Merciful Father,
 C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our
 selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
 Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ
 our Lord. Amen.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.
 C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.
 C **We lift them to the Lord.**
 P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
 P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer
 thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on
 the tree of the cross gave salvation to all, that, where death began, there life
 might be restored, and that he, who by a tree once overcame, might by a tree
 be overcome. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we
 praise your name and join their unending hymn:



 ☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



 Heav-en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you
 sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your
 will.

He is your Word, inseparable from you. Through him you created all things,
 and in him you take delight.

He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb. He there took on our nature and our lot and was shown forth as your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary.

It is he, our Lord Jesus, who fulfilled all your will and won for you a holy people; he stretched out his hands in suffering in order to free from suffering those who trust you.

It is he who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection, taking bread and giving thanks to you, said: Take and eat; this is my body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This is my blood poured out for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we lift this bread and cup before you, giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

And we ask you: Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your Church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ. Through him all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church both now and forever.

C Amen

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C 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.**

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please sit.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Q: What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

A: Instituted by Christ himself, it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, given to us Christians to eat and to drink.

Q: What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

A: We are told in the words “for you” and “for the forgiveness of sins.” By these words the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament, for where there is forgiveness of sins, there are also life and salvation.

-Luther's Small Catechism Part V

Jesus bids all the baptized to feast at his table. For those unable to partake of wine, white grape juice is available. If you wish for the pastor to bring communion to you. Please advise an usher.

Please stand.

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

A Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his through the same Jesus Christ our Lord

C Amen

Silence for reflection.



THE BENEDICTION

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

No harmony graphic is available.



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The wing - ed
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Your last and
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -
squad - rons of the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his sap - phire
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal



sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

THE DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Maestoso et Allegro

Lowry



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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday: April 2nd

Holy Communion / Laying on of Hands / Stripping of the Altar

Noon – Spoken Liturgy

7pm – Full Music with Choir

Good Friday: Friday, April 3rd

The Death of our Lord

Noon

The Resurrection of our Lord (Easter Sunday): April 5th

Prelude Music with Instrumentalists – 9:45am

Festival Holy Communion – 10am

TRY THE CHOIR – YOU MIGHT BE SURPRISED!

Many people assume you must be “really talented” to join a choir. In our church, we believe something simpler: if you have a willing heart and a desire to contribute, you belong here. The Parish Choir and Bell Choir do more than rehearse—they build community, support one another, and help lead the congregation in worship. You don’t need prior choir experience, and you don’t need to be able to “read every note.” You will be welcomed by friendly members who will help you get oriented, answer questions, and make sure you feel at home from your very first rehearsal. Come explore—there is truly a place for everyone. To learn more, speak with any choir member, or contact Dr. Kevin

Estes (kevin@sjnc.net). For Bell Choir details, please contact Brad Davis (cbdsax@gmail.com).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We’re looking for Greeters, Ushers, Communion Assistants, Lectors, Acolytes, and Videographers to help on Sundays. Sign up at sjnc.net under the volunteer tab.

Altar Flower dates are also available on a first-come, first-served basis. Not sure where to start? Email us at info@sjnc.net for more information, training, or to connect with a volunteer team leader.

AMAZING GRACE BLESSING BOX INITIATIVE

Amazing Grace's Life Skills Lab program continues to keep the Blessing Box stocked every Tuesday and Thursday in partnership with the 1CAN Organization. You can join in this ongoing effort by donating non-perishable food or hygiene items. The red Blessing Box collection bin will remain on the Portico Counter and serve as a year-round ministry opportunity.

STAY CONNECTED!

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