



Palm Sunday

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

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March 29, 2026

9:30 a.m.

GATHERING

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Processional Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ 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 Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of Palms

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Raise your palms

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them.

Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Procession

Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ.
Amen

Processional Hymn: "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 are 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.

Children's Sermon

Hymn: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

*Hosanna, loud hosanna
the little children sang;
through 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.*

Stanza 2-3 choir only

Prayers of the People

God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

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Prayer

Most high and holy God,
**pour out upon us your one and unifying Spirit, and awaken in every
confession of the whole church a holy hunger and thirst for unity in you;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Reading:

Matthew 20: 17-28

Choir:

"Come Follow Me"

Prayer

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts.

Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love. Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Matthew 26: 26-29

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**

Distribution of Communion

Hymn: "Jesus, Remember Me" *sung continuously*

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 7/8 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of musical notation is identical to the first, consisting of two staves in treble and bass clefs with a key signature of two flats and a 7/8 time signature. The lyrics are repeated below the staves.

Choir: "I Will Remember Thee"

Prayer

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.

Reading: Matthew 26: 36-46

Choir: "My Soul Cries Out to the Lord"

Prayer

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people.

Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, which you have given us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading:

Matthew 27: 11-26

Choir:

“Were You there When the Crowd Cried Out”

Prayer

Merciful God, your Son was lifted up on the cross to draw all people to himself.

Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side may at all times find mercy in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading:

Philippians 2: 5-11

⁵Let 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.

Choir

Were you there on the third day of darkness? Were you there on Resurrection Day when an angel descended from heaven, when he rolled the stone away? Were you there on the third day of darkness when the stone was rolled away?

Please exit in Silence

March Mission of the Month

Center for Hope - provides resources to educate, assist and support families and friends cope with the pain/and uncertainty in dealing with a missing person.

Blessing Box Needs

Peanut butter, beans, **pasta**, granola bars, **pasta sauce**, **canned fruit**, dry infant cereal, boxed milk, tea/coffee, pancake supplies, microwave meals, shampoo/conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Living Last Supper

The apostles are preparing to present their individual stories about the death of Jesus to the congregation on Good Friday, April 3 at 7:00 pm. There'll be beautiful music, communion, and many questions offered and answered.

Was Peter truly sorry after abandoning Christ?

Was Judas really a villain or just a frightened weakling?

AND perhaps Mary Magdelene, not considered an apostle, was really the most loyal of all? Come...and think.

Easter Day Celebrations

There will be two identical services at 8:30 and 10:45am with fellowship between. No Sunday School or Youth Group, they will resume on April 12th.

*Today's altar flowers were donated
by Kurt Andress in loving memory of Eric Andress.*



LENT COLLECTION

Collecting items not covered by Food Stamps for the Blessing Box

toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, tissues
 garbage bags, ziplock bags, foil, cleaning supplies,
 laundry detergent, dish detergent, glass cleaner
 all purpose cleaner, clorox, sponges, bathroom cleaner
 shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, lotion, lip balm
 soap, tooth paste, tooth brushes
 diapers, wipes, baby soap,
 womens hygiene products



Monday, April 6th, 7 - 8 pm

PIZZA WORKS 720 SARATOGA RD. BURNT HILLS

Guys are invited to this casual bible event discussion over your favorite beer or soft drink.



Women Word & Wine

Next meeting:
 Pizza Works, Burnt Hills
 April 13th , 6 - 8pm



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Holy Week Worship Services

Palm Sunday 3/29 @ 9:30am
Maundy Thursday 4/2 @ 7pm
Good Friday 4/3 @ 7pm
Easter Sunday 4/5 @ 8:30 & 10:45am

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