

Welcome to



March 29, 2026  
Palm Sunday

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The vision of Gethsemane Lutheran Church is to:  
GROW UP in His Word,  
GROW OUT in his Ministry,  
GROW TOGETHER in His Love.



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+ PRELUDE +

+ WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS +

+ OPENING HYMN +

### 443 HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,  
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.  
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,  
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state  
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.  
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.  
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

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+ INVOCATION +

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

**P** While today we gather to praise our Lord and honor him with “Hosanna” and waving palm branches, we cannot, at the same time, forget that Good Friday looms large. Today our scriptures record a crowd, singing praises to Jesus, but in a few days we will hear of another crowd that crucifies him. It is in that same irony that we live our lives... we love our Lord, but we are sinners through and through. We confess this together:

**C** **I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins. I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord’s name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayers have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin.**

**What troubles me particularly is ...**

*(moment for silent reflection)*

**I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace. I want to do better.**

**P** *Hosanna* is a Hebrew expression that means, “Lord, save.” Little did those in the crowd know just how much this Lord would save! He saves you and me. His death saves us all. As a servant of the Word, I announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and the + Son and the Holy Spirit. God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith that you may walk confidently in His peace. Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

*OLD TESTAMENT READING*

Zechariah 9:9–12

<sup>9</sup>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.

<sup>10</sup>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.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

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

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*SECOND READING*

Psalm 118:19–29

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

<sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

<sup>21</sup>I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

<sup>23</sup>the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

<sup>25</sup>Lord, save us!

Lord, grant us success!

<sup>26</sup>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

From the house of the Lord we bless you.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>27</sup>The Lord is God,

and he has made his light shine on us.

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up<sup>[b]</sup> to the horns of the altar.

<sup>28</sup>You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

<sup>29</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*HOLY GOSPEL*

Luke 19:36–44

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>36</sup>And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud

voice for all the mighty works that they had seen,  
<sup>38</sup>saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of  
the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

<sup>39</sup>And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him,  
“Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” <sup>40</sup>He answered, “I tell  
you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

<sup>41</sup>And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept  
over it, <sup>42</sup>saying, “Would that you, even you, had known  
on this day the things that make for peace! But now they  
are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup>For the days will come  
upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade  
around you and surround you and hem you in on every  
side <sup>44</sup>and tear you down to the ground, you and your  
children within you. And they will not leave one stone  
upon another in you, because you did not know the time  
of your visitation.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*MESSAGE*

*NICENE CREED*

*OFFERING*

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH*

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

*PREFACE*

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

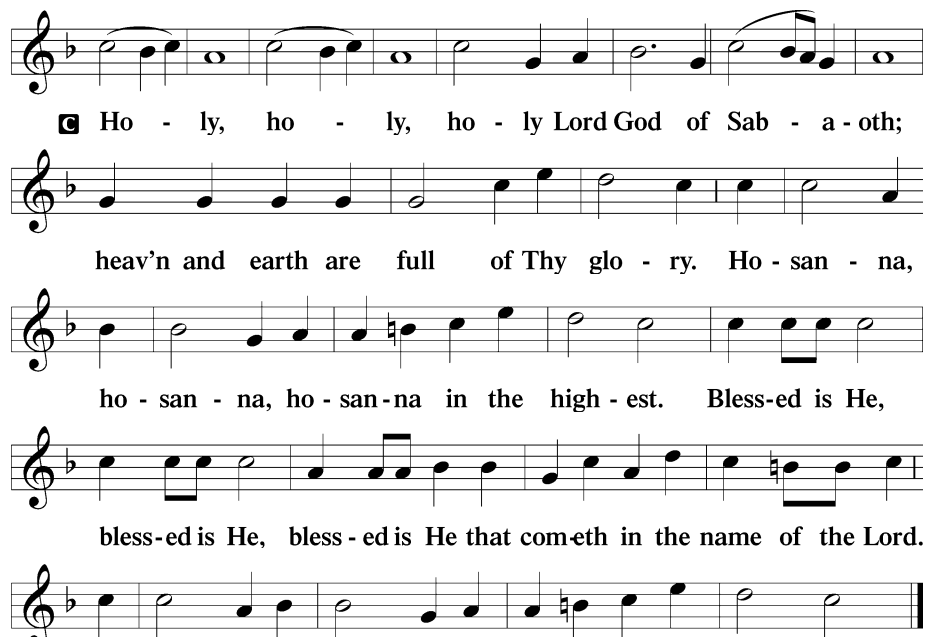
**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at  
all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy  
Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through  
Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the  
salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that,  
where death arose, there life also might rise again  
and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of  
the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross  
be overcome. Therefore with angels and  
archangels and with all the company of heaven we  
laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore  
praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 196

**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.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PAX DOMINI

LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

**+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +**

**343 PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY**

1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!  
 2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing: Your own e - ter - nal king!  
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom - ised king!  
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.

Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!  
 Palm branch - es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!  
 Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.  
 His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:  
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!  
 All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!  
 So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

*Refrain*  
 Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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**967 RIDE ON, RIDE ON IN MAJESTY**

1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the  
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel  
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and  
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur - sue Thy  
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs now be -  
 ar - mies 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 Thy meek head to mor - tal

road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
 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 God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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**THANKSGIVING**

**LSB 200**

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You

and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**BENEDICTION**

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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**442 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 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.  
And we with all cre - a - tion 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.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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**+ POSTLUDE +**

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# What's Happening @ Gethsemane

Bird's-Eye view of the Bible			
1. Creation	6. Judges	1. Incarnation	6. Missions
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3. Patriarchs	8. Divided Kingdoms	3. Gospel	8. New Covenant
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5. Victory	10. Hope	5. Pentecost	10. Eternity
Pre-cross		Post-cross	
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<b>Major Prophets</b>	<b>Minor Prophets</b>	<b>REVELATION</b>	

Join us as we take a "Bird's Eye" view of all of the books of the Bible. Some of the basics we probably already know and some facts that maybe we didn't know or think of!

Tuesday mornings @ 10am in the Gethsemane Library

## Sunday Morning Bible Classes @ 10:15 a.m.

Stay for coffee and cookies after the 9 a.m. worship service then join a Bible class!

Women's Bible Study: "Life Lessons from Ephesians" – Led by Maria Keeling – Meets in the Library

"Study the Book of Matthew" – Led by Pastor James Jennings – Meets in the Life Center

## Flowers for March 29<sup>th</sup>:

By Kendra Williams in remembrance of her father Ken Ward on his birthday March 28<sup>th</sup>.

By Sharon and Roy Albe in honor of the birth of their great grandson, Hayes Carter.

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## Eggstravaganza!

Saturday Apr 4 @ 10-12

Join us for this free family event

Easter Egg Hunts at 10:30 and 11:00

Hot Dogs and Lemonade for all

Cookie Decorating for kids

Crafts and Games

Photo Booth

Flowering the garden Cross



Tie Quilting will take place on Wednesday morning, April 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30am until noon in the quilt room in the Life Center. All are welcome to participate!

# Join us Holy Week @ Gethsemane



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