



Palm & Passion Sunday

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Welcome to Worship! Words in **bold** are said together.

Welcome – Today we follow Jesus from triumphal entry into Jerusalem to death on the cross and burial in the tomb. As we read the story of Jesus’ final hours as found in Luke 22-23 we experience both grief and thanksgiving knowing that Jesus experienced all of these events as an expression of his wondrous love for us and for all of creation. During the service we will also share in Communion. Please prepare bread and wine/juice if you wish to participate at home in that aspect of our worship.

L: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. C: Hosanna in the highest!

Sharing the Peace

Palm Sunday Scripture – Luke 19:28-40

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.” The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Opening Song – Hosanna (Praise is Rising) (Lyrics will appear on screen)

Prayer of the Day – **Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us and all of your disciples to imitate his example of love, service, and obedience to your will. Grant that we may also share in the glorious victory of his resurrection in both this world and the next. We pray in the name of the one who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Introduction to the Passion 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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Passion Reading - Luke 22:1-23

Communion * Eat and drink together after the reading of Christ's words.

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,
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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Passion Reading - Luke 22:24-38

Offering

- ◇ Mail: Lord of Life Lutheran, 1005 St. Nicholas Drive, North Pole, AK 99705
- ◇ Online: "giving" tab at www.lordoflifeak.com/giving or the QR Code →
- ◇ Phone app: download "Give Plus Church" search by zip 99705, choose Lord of Life, and follow instructions



Offering Prayer – **Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Passion Reading - Luke 22:39-62

Worship Song – *You Are My All in All*

1. You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek,
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool,
You are my all in all.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again, I bless Your name,
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up, when I am dry, You fill my cup,
You are my all in all. (*Refrain x2*)

Passion Reading - Luke 22:63-23:12

Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Congregation: Amen.** (*silence for reflection*)

L: Holy One,

C: we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

L: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

C: Amen.

Passion Reading - [Luke 23:13-31](#)

Worship Song – Awesome God

Passion Reading - [Luke 23:32-56](#)

Prayers of God's People

Each petition ends "Merciful God" please respond: **hear our prayer.**

Announcements

- Join us in Holy Week Worship at 7pm on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, with 6:15pm fellowship *before* worship on Friday
- Easter Worship on Sunday at 10:30am with Men's Breakfast beforehand at 9am
- Please check Lost & Found – we've acquired a few items again (including children's socks??) 😊
- Council Meeting tomorrow night at 7pm

Blessing and Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way. C: Thanks be to God.

Special Thanks to...

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

4-11 Karen & Jim Kuhnert

4-16 Sarah Gregory