MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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11:00 AM — March 28, 2021 — Palm Sunday
Traditional Worship Service
ELW Setting One -- Holy Communion

GATHERING
Weather permitting, we gather outside at the entrance to the Sanctuary and enter together in procession. Palm branches will be distributed by the ushers. After each verse of the hymn, we will stop, wave our palms, and listen to the Holy Gospel being read.

BLESSING OF PALMS
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.
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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN
“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (verse 1-3)
All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son, now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. The company of angels are praising you on high; Creation and all mortals in chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went. Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL
Mark 11:1-11
1When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples 2and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. 3If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” 4They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, 5some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” 6They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. 7Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. 8Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. 9Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! 10Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” 11Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.
PROCESSIONAL HYMN  “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (verse 4 & 5)
All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet
hosannas ring. To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise. To you, now
high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet
hosannas ring. Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring, great author of all
goodness, O good and gracious king.

CALL TO WORSHIP  “Ride on, Ride on in Majesty!” (Choir sings verses 1 & 2)

GREETING
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. All Glory, Laud, and Honor to you, O Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray.
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 to share in his obedience
to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

FIRST READING  Zechariah 9:9-10
9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to
you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a
donkey. 10 He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war-horse from Jerusalem; and the
battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be
from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM  Psalm 118:24-29
24 This is the day that the LORD has made;
   let us rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Hosanna! O LORD, save us!
   We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!
26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD;
   we bless you from the house of the LORD.
27 The LORD is God and has given light.
   Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.
28 You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

29 Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

SECOND READING  Philippians 2:5-11

Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus’ humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.

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

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY  “Go To Dark Gethsemane”  Hymn 347

CREED
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

ANTHEM  “Hosanna! Ride On!”  Jennings

OFFERTORY HYMN  “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”  Hymn 885
OFFERING PRAYER
Let us pray.
Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN (sing through once) “Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am”

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

HYMN (sing through once) “Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am”

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

HYMN (sing through once) “Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am”

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
Jesus draws the whole world to himself. Come to this meal and be fed.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

SENDING SONG “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” Hymn 351

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Share the Good News.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Altar Greenery. The Greenery on the altar is given to the glory of God in honor of Barbara Livingston's birthday by Jack, Joe, Connor, Margaret Raye, Emily, Barbara, Georgia, Ford, Greyson, Court, Foster, Mary Lane, and Baker.

Palms. The Palms are given to the glory of God by Richie & Irelou Moye in honor of the 95th birthday of Richie's mother, Anne Moye.

Palm Branches. The Palm Branches are given to the glory of God in memory of Harry M. Manus, Sr., and in honor of Elizabeth Manus by their family.

Bulletin Covers. The Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God in honor of Jenny Wright.
**Lord Teach Us To Pray:**

*As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week:* Daniel Baker, Britt Belch, Norma Blume, Rex Bozard, Betty Jo Cato, Elizabeth Caulder, Cody Cooper, Bob Dennis, Dottie Ford, Cheryl Hall, Virginia Hamson, Sandra Hutto, Rue Jeffcoat, Jo-Ann Jones, Julianne Jones, Drew McQuillen, Luca Metts, Sylvia Nelson, Mary Caroline Owen, Cindy Pettway, Michael Price, Stephen Roos, Tim Self, Dennis Shealy, Cory Smith, Ann Spainhour, Lisa Spigner, Rus Stilwell, Rhonda White, Evan Wise.

**Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Melvin Manus, Ronnie Hutto, Rue Jeffcoat, Penny Timmerman.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**


**Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:**

Judith Gilmetti, Anne Moye, Linda Goodson, Troy Strahler, Joe & Barbara Murphy, Jon Hughes, Steve Collum, Isabelle Sundlie, Bill Hunnicutt.

**Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:**

Adam Davis, Andrew Hamson, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash, John Post.

**Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:**

Marcus Hayes, Tristan Mullen, Cory Fabian, Hayden Henneman, Edwin Taylor, Patrick Taylor, Edwin Torres, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Patrick Morris, Ben Barron, Barry Duncan, Michael Barfield, Adam Mintz, David Mathews, Bernd Koehler, John Ward.

**The Family Of:**

Tripp Hatley, Jane Eubanks, Mike Shaffer, Christopher Holmes, Anita Marie Carter.

*Please help us keep our prayer list up to date by calling the church office with any names to be added or removed. Otherwise, names remaining on the prayer list for more than 2 months will be removed.*
Worship Leaders

Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor
Mrs. Elise Helms, Interim Choir Director
Mrs. Jenny Wright, Guest Musician

Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation
Vicar Gayle Nelson, Intern