



Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022
Peace Lutheran Church of Plymouth
The Crucified Messiah

GATHER

PRELUDE

The Royal Banners Forward Go

Charles Callahan

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PALM SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

from the SPARK Story Bible

ONE: Jesus said to his disciples: "Friends! I need to go to Jerusalem. I've got some important things to do and I want to celebrate Passover with you there. Will you come with me?"

"Sure! Passover is a great holiday! Such great food! And what a wonderful story Passover celebrates--the exodus of God's people, the Israelites, from Egypt! It's good to be with friends and family at Passover." So Jesus and his friends started to go to Jerusalem.

When they got close to the city, Jesus said, "I'd like two of you to go borrow a donkey in the next village over. Please tell the owner I need it. He'll understand." When the two friends came back with a donkey, Jesus climbed on its back and rode down the hill into the city of Jerusalem. The disciples followed behind him.

Suddenly, they found themselves in a parade! People were singing and shouting,

MANY: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

ONE: People all over heard the shouting and singing and they joined the parade, too. Hundreds of people! Thousands of people! They started taking off their coats and laying them on the ground for Jesus and the donkeys to walk on. They pulled palm branches down from the tree and waved them as they sang. Then they threw their palms on the ground to make a path for Jesus.

The crowds gave Jesus a royal welcome as he rode into the city, just like a king. But Jesus was a very different king--he was a king of peace. Not everyone understood that. Jesus was not at all what they were expecting. They thought the crowd was too loud and the parade was getting too big. Someone asked: "Who is that man? What's going on here?"

MANY: This is Jesus! God's King! He has come to save us!

ONE: Some of the religious leaders murmured, "Hush! Jesus, tell your friends to be quiet--it's way too loud here!"

Jesus replied: "We can try to make these people be quiet, but that wouldn't make a difference because today the whole earth is celebrating!"

MANY: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor
to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

1) You are the king of Israel
and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*

2) The company of angels
are praising you on high;
creation and all mortals
in chorus make reply. *Refrain*

3) The multitude of pilgrims
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. *Refrain*

4) To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *Refrain*

5) Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King. *Refrain*

+GREETING

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

MANY: And also with you.

+CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ONE: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

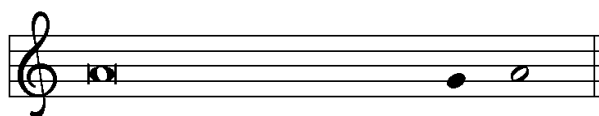
Silence for reflection.

ONE: Most merciful God,

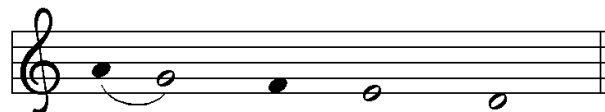
MANY: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN

ONE: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

MANY: AMEN

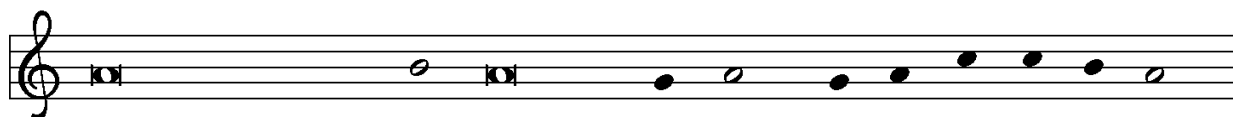


ONE: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.

ONE:



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.



ONE: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

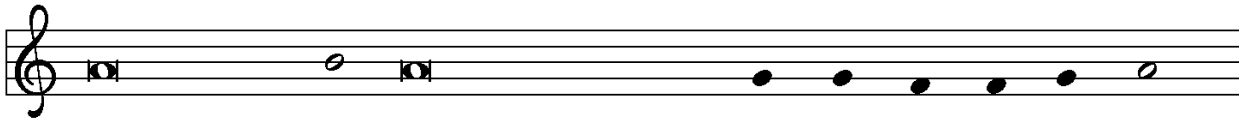


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

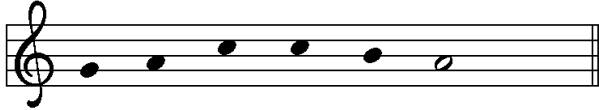


MANY: Lord, have mer - cy.

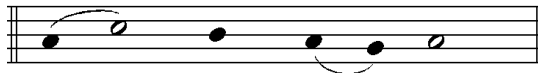
ONE:



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

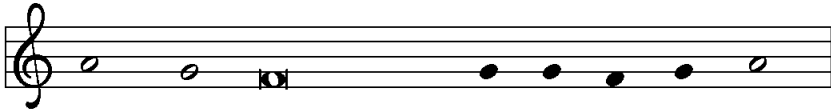


let us pray to the Lord.



MANY:

Lord have mer - cy.



ONE:

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.



MANY:

A - men.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: God be with you.

MANY: And also with you.

ONE: Let us pray. God of honor and celebration, together we cry, "Hosanna!" to your son, who rode willingly and bravely into Jerusalem.

MANY: Hear us as we celebrate your anointed one, Jesus Christ. AMEN

WORD

PSALM 24

ONE: The earth is the Lord's in its fullness,
The world and those who live in it;

**MANY: He founded it upon the seas,
And established it upon the floods.**

ONE: Who may go up to the hill of the Lord?
Who may stand in his holy place?

**MANY: The man with clean hands and pure heart,
Who plans no evil purpose,
Nor promises in order to deceive.**

ONE: He shall win from the Lord a blessing,
And approval from God his Saviour.

**MANY: Such is the man who may worship him,
Who may enter thy presence, O God of Jacob.**

ONE: Lift up your heads, O gates,
Be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
Let the King of Glory come in!

**MANY: Who is this King of Glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
The Lord, mighty in battle!**

ONE: Lift up your heads, O gates,
Be lifted up, O everlasting doors,
That the King of Glory may come in.

**MANY: Who is this King of Glory?
The Lord, the God of hosts,
He is the King of Glory!**

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

MANY: Thanks be to God!

PREACHING TEXT

John 19:16-22

Then Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; 17 and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. 18 There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. 19 Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." 20 Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. 21 Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" 22 Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

MANY: Thanks be to God!

brief silence

SERMON

Rev. Paul Lutter

brief silence

+HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

ELW 345

1) Jesus, I will ponder now
on your holy passion;
let your Spirit now endow
me for meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith
may the image cherish
of your suffering, pain, and death,
that I may not perish.

2) Make me see your great distress,
anguish, and affliction,
bonds and blows and wretchedness
and your crucifixion;
make me see how scourge and rod,
spear and nails, did wound you,
how you died for those, O God,
who with thorns had crowned you.

3) Yet, O Lord, not thus alone
make me see your passion,
but its cause to me make known
and its termination.
For I also and my sin
wrought your deep affliction;
this the shameful cause has been
of your crucifixion.

4) Let me view your pain and loss
with repentant grieving,
nor prepare again your cross
by unholy living.
May I give you love for love!
Hear me, O my Savior,
that I may in heav'n above
sing your praise forever.

+APOSTLES' CREED

ONE: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**MANY: 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 THE PEOPLE

ONE: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

brief silence

ONE: As we gather to watch you make your way into Jerusalem, O Lord, raise up in us our own shouts of Hosanna at your arrival, for we need your presence among us in this time and place. Reach out your hands of love and grace as we stretch palm leaves along your path. Lord, in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: As you, O Lord Jesus, meet your disciples, meet *us* around the table to feed us and wash our feet, expand our welcome so that people of all places and situations find hospitality and nourishment. We welcome around this table those who will be nourished by your presence in, with, and under bread and wine this week. Lord, in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: For those who have no food at their tables, no clothes in their closets, no homes in which to find shelter and protection, we pray for your mercy and love, O God. Just as we hear Jesus' cry from the cross this week, we know you hear those who are in need. Stir your love within us, that we may use what you have given us to bless the wider community and world. Lord, in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: We pray for the people of Peace Lutheran Church who are in need of your special care....

And we name before you, aloud or in our hearts, others we know in need of your embrace....

The congregation is invited to offer the names aloud or in silence.

ONE: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

AMEN

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you always.

MANY: And also with you.

OFFERING

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+OFFERING PRAYER

ONE: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

MANY: AMEN

+PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

MANY: 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

SEND

+BENEDICTION

ONE: May Almighty God Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

MANY: AMEN

ONE: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.

MANY: Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

1) Bless now, O God, the journey
that all your people make,
the path through noise and silence,
the way of give and take.
The trail is found in desert
and winds the mountain round,
then leads beside still waters,
the road where faith is found.

2) Bless sojourners and pilgrims
who share this winding way;
your hope burns through the terrors,
your love sustains the day.
We yearn for holy freedom
while often we are bound;
together we are seeking
the road where faith is found.

3) Divine eternal lover,
you meet us on the road.
We wait for land of promise
where milk and honey flow,
but waiting not for places,
you meet us all around.
Our covenant is written
on roads, as faith is found.

+DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

MANY: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Coronation"

Flor Peeters

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ELW Setting 4

Kyrie, Glory to God, Holy, Lamb of God

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2022

TODAY

9am worship

Palm Sunday

The Crucified Messiah

John 19:16-22

Families are encouraged to have their children in worship, but the nursery is available if needed. It will be open but not staffed; please plan to supervise your own children inside.

Altar flowers are given by Inger Trooien in celebration of son Bobby Trooien Isbell's 23rd birthday which is today!

THE RESURRECTION JOURNEY: HOLY WEEK 2022

The Gospel According to John

Maundy Thursday, April 14

6:30 pm worship with Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 15

6:30 pm worship

Easter Sunday, April 17

9:00 am worship with Holy Communion, choir and handbells

Flowers ordered for Easter may be picked up immediately after worship on April 17.

HELLO, PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN!

I'd like to invite you to join me in the fireside room after worship on **Sunday, May 1**. You should bring your kids with you and some of the older kids will lead a few games. After the games, the nursery will be staffed, and the parents will be treated to coffee and treats (donuts? bagels? You'll just have to come and see!) The goal is for parents of young kids to get to know one another and talk together. Maybe we'll even start a small group for parents of young ones if it feels like it might be a fun and good thing for us to do. Come join us. I'll look forward to meeting you. Please let me know if you have any questions. My email is paul@peaceoplymouth.org. My cell number is (507) 440-0048. I look forward to our time together. In peace, Pastor Paul Lutter

TODAY! Palm Sunday Faith-Forming Fun for Kids!

Please join us for faith-forming activities with the kids after services on Palm Sunday, April 10. Activities will include an Easter egg hunt with a puzzle twist, and other activities, depending on the weather.

PLYMOUTH ROCKERS CONCERT

The Plymouth Rockers will be holding their spring concert "*Music to Sing Your Way Home*" on Sunday, May 1, 3:00 p.m. at Wayzata High School. www.plymouthrockers.org

YOGADEVOTION

Registration is open for the next session of Yogadevotion. Dates are May 2- June 20, no class May 30, 7 weeks, \$63.

You can register at the following link:

<https://yogadevotion.com/class/peace-lutheran-church-plymouth-yogadevotion-flow-with-emily/2022-05-02/>

See the Saturday e-news for a direct link to the page.