



Palm Sunday

The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

- John 12:23

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH | Lodi, California

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church. We pray that your soul will be strengthened by the good news about God's grace, love, and forgiveness given to us. If you would like to learn more about our church, please speak with our pastor or one of our members after the service.

- **Bathrooms** are located in the fellowship hall. A changing table is located in the women's bathroom.

WORSHIP THEME

Today is called "PALM AND PASSION SUNDAY." It reminds us not only of the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday long ago when He was heralded as the true King, but it also reminds us of how quickly things changed. It reminds us of His imminent rejection, suffering and crucifixion as His kingship was so terribly misunderstood.

SERVICE OF WORD

Lent began with an almost equal focus on the sinner and the Savior. Now in Holy Week, the focus is on Christ. The readings for today want us to understand once and for all who has come to save us so that with all confidence we may follow him.

For those who wish to join the processional we will begin the service from the entryway. The presider will introduce the service.

INVOCATION

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

C: **And also with you**

ENTRANCE RITE FOR PALM SUNDAY

M: For the five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Remember with devotion his entry that

culminated at the empty tomb and follow him in faith. United with him in Baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life.

M: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

C: Hosanna to the Son of David!

PRAYER

M: Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem before his passion and was welcomed as king by those who shouted, “Hosanna”, and spread their cloaks and palm branches in his path. Accept our words of praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King who entered Jerusalem to save us; even your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

Jesus certainly is making a statement by riding a donkey. He's claiming to be that the conqueror that Zechariah prophesied. He brings a rule of peace.

²⁸When he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹As he approached Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples ³⁰and said, “Go into the village ahead of you. As you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say this: ‘The Lord needs it.’”

³²So those who were sent left and found it just as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

³⁴“The Lord needs it,” they said. ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their clothes on the colt, they helped Jesus get on it. ³⁶As he was going along, they were spreading their clothes on the road. ³⁷Now he came near the path down the Mount of Olives, and the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles they had seen:

³⁸Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.^[a]

Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heaven!

³⁹Some of the Pharisees from the crowd told him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.”

⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if they were to keep silent, the stones would cry out.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

M: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

Processional Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor | CW 412



1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,
2 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,
3 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,
4 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,
5 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re-deem - er, King,



To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -



san - nas ring. You are the King of Is - rael
san - nas ring. The com - pa - ny of an - gels
san - nas ring. The peo - ple of the He - brews
san - nas ring. To you be - fore your pas - sion
san - nas ring. As you re - ceived their prais - es,



And Da - vid's roy - al Son, Now in the
Is prais - ing you on high, And we with
With palms be - fore you went; Our praise and
They sang their hymns of praise; To you, now
Ac - cept the prayers we bring, O Source of



Lord's name com - ing, Our King and bless - ed one.
all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
prayer and an - thems Be - fore you we pre - sent.
high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

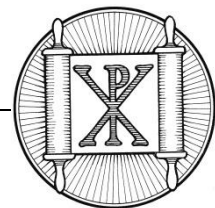
PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Service of the Word

Having just received absolution for their sins, believers now gather around the Word of God to find encouragement and peace for their lives on earth.



FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9, 10

Jesus is the King of kings. When a king came on a donkey it was because his enemies had been defeated and he had nothing to fear. The enemy has already lost and Jesus proclaims peace. His kingdom extends rules from the river to the ends of the earth.

⁹ Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout in triumph, Daughter Jerusalem!
Look, your King is coming to you;
he is righteous and victorious,^[a]

humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the horse from Jerusalem.

The bow of war will be removed,
and he will proclaim peace to the nations.
His dominion will extend from sea to sea,
from the Euphrates River
to the ends of the earth.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 24

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Jesus, our Savior, is Lord of all. He did not display his glory while on earth, instead, he became our humble substitute and died to save us. Here Paul calls us to have the same mindset of Christ Jesus: humility, love, sacrifice.

⁵ Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, existing in the form of God,
did not consider equality with God
as something to be exploited.^[a]

⁷ Instead he emptied himself
by assuming the form of a servant,
taking on the likeness of humanity.

And when he had come as a man,

⁸ he humbled himself by becoming obedient
to the point of death—
even to death on a cross.

⁹ For this reason God highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee will bow—
in heaven and on earth
and under the earth—

¹¹ and every tongue will confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 12:23

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

PASSION HISTORY READING

Luke 23:1-56

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty | CW 411

SERMON

Luke 19:28-40

APOSTLES' CREED

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

2 Cor. 6:18

Is. 51:13

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.

1 Cor. 8:6; Jn. 3:18

Lk. 1:35

Lk. 1:34; 2:7

Lk. 23:16

Mt. 27:32-61; Mk 15:21-47

Lk. 23:26-56; Jn. 19:16b-42

1 Pet. 3:19

1 Cor. 15:4b

Ac. 2:33-34

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand

of God the Father almighty.

Heb. 1:13

From there he will come to judge

Mt. 25:31

the living and the dead.

2 Tim. 4:1

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Mt. 3:16-17

Eph. 5:23

Eph. 4:3-6

Rom. 4:6-8

1 Cor. 15:13-19

1 Th. 4:17

Upon hearing the Word preached, the congregation unites in one voice to speak a summary of the Christian faith that all Christians profess. The creeds signify our allegiance to the Christian faith and unite us with over 2,000 years of Christian history. By repeating the creeds weekly, we equip ourselves for public witness by grounding our confession in the fundamentals of our faith.

OFFERING

Of all the gifts God gives to us, forgiveness in Jesus Christ is the most precious. No gift we could give back to God for what he did through his Son Jesus Christ could ever balance the debt we owe for what

our Lord accomplished for us on the cross. Yet Jesus says the debt we owe has been canceled, that means that we do not give out of obligation but as an act of worship and thanks to God. The offerings of the members of Christ Lutheran are gathered at this time. Guests need not feel obligated to give an offering.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord Jesus, you are the King of heaven and earth.

C: We join the first Palm Sunday worshipers in praising and glorifying you for coming to this earth to be our Savior.

M: Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us.

C: Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place. Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.

M: Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises as you rode into Jerusalem. Move us to confess you before others as our Lord. Help us proclaim the message of peace and forgiveness to people of all nations.

C: Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them from sin and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil. Move us to dedicate all we are and have to your glory.

M: Lord Jesus, you are King over all the earth. Bless the nations of this world with wise rulers and good government. Let peace prevail. Grant success to the businesses and industries of our land to serve for the common good. Cause all employers to be honest and fair-minded and all employees to be diligent and faithful.

C: Look with favor on our nation's schools. Be with those who teach and those who learn. Comfort the sick and the afflicted with the assurance of your care and protection. Strengthen the faith of the dying.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: Dear Savior, as we walk with you this week toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this wonderful message of salvation. Hear us for your mercy's sake.

C: Amen.

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.

HYMN

Exult Today, Jerusalem | CW 415

PRAYER

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people.
 Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and
 bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns
 with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE BLESSING

Numbers 6:22-27

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
 Serve the Lord with gladness.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

*The **blessing** of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So I will put my name on them, and I will bless them."*



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Be seated

CLOSING HYMN

No Tramp of Soldier's Marching Feet | **CW 414**

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet is matched to a tune that has both a regal and a marching quality to it, which makes it fitting for Holy Week as we ponder our Lord's kingly procession into Jerusalem without customary regal fanfare. Later this week we will hear the tramping feet of soldiers marching to arrest Jesus and deliver Him to Pontius Pilate.

Each stanza places the words, "Behold, Behold your King," on quite different lips: the humility of Palm Sunday (st. 1), our Lord's Passion (st. 2,3), and the genuine victory procession of our Lord's Resurrection (st. 4).



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WELCOME TO CHRIST EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH!

We preach a message of forgiveness, hope and peace
through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Families and individuals of all ages will find opportunities
both to grow and to serve.

Our mission statement:

Look what Christ is doing!

He binds us together in fellowship

He gathers us in for worship

He builds us up for service

*“Now you are the body of Christ,
and each one of you is a part of it.”
(1 Corinthians 12:27)*

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