



Immanuel

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PALM SUNDAY

March 29 & 30, 2026

Welcome to Worship! Welcome to worship on this Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week! As Jesus enters Jerusalem to accomplish our salvation, we are reminded that His victory over sin, death, and the grave is our sure and certain hope. In a world filled with fear and uncertainty, Christ comes to us still, through His Word and Sacraments, to give peace and courage. Let us worship with hearts that cry "Hosanna!" and trust in the One who has come to save us!

Please register your attendance and Communion in the Record of Fellowship.

A "Wee Wiggle Room" is below the Narthex. A Comfort Room is in the Atrium.

Children's Activity Bags are located in the Narthex. Please return after worship.

Sunday School classes meet UPSTAIRS. **Adult Bible Classes** are in the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Information Class meets in the Heritage Room. All are welcome!

Where do I put my offering? You can place gifts in the offering plate near each entrance or the boxes on the west wall of the narthex or in the chapel.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Holy Communion will be at the 9:00 & 7:00 service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church and wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms at the rail. Gluten free wafers are in plastic sleeves. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one from the tray. Wine with alcohol removed is in the tray center.

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THE PRELUDE: 9:00 "All Glory Laud and Honor" - Lloyd Larson

11:15 & 7:00 "Palm Sunday Processional" -Jan Bender

When invited, please stand and face the back of the church for the reading of the Palm Sunday Gospel and the entrance of the cross. Turn forward as the cross passes you.

THE GOSPEL READING: John 12:12-19 C: Glory to You, O Lord.

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Hymn 442

ref 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 Blessèd One. Refrain

2 The company of angels Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation 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 As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King. Refrain

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+++ 9:00 THE ANTHEM: "Hosanna!" -Jeff Blersch

+++ 11:15 THE BAPTISM of NOVALEE KATE JACKSON, page 268

Parents: Robert Jackson & Destiny Woods Sponsors: Ben Woods & Sarah Fisher

THE BAPTISM of OAKLYNN LAVERE HONEY, page 268

Parents: Malacai Honey & Lailan Bragg Sponsors: Ben Woods & Sarah Fisher

THE INVOCATION:

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

THE EXHORTATION:

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord, C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter**

sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

THE ABSOLUTION

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

THE LENTEN CROSS HYMN: "Jesus I Will Ponder Now"

Hymn 440 v. 6

6 Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav'n above Sing Your praise forever.

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THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together)

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together) Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 50:4-9

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should

bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE HYMN: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Hymn 441

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road, With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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THE SERMON: "Fear Not!"

THE OFFERTORY

THE PRAYERS

+++ 9:00 & 7:00 HOLY COMMUNION: pages 194-202;

Preface

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.

Sanctus

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution Hymns: 437, 539, 428, 444, 634, 439

437 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

1 Alas! And did my Savior bleed, And did my sov' reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head For such a worm as I?

2 Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown, And love beyond degree!

3 Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut his glories in
When God, the mighty maker, died For His own creatures' sin.

4 Thus might I hide my blushing face While His dear cross appears,
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, And melt mine eyes to tears.

5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away: 'Tis all that I can do.

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539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer

1 Christ is the world's Redeemer, The lover of the pure,
The font of heav'nly wisdom, Our trust and hope secure,
The armor of His soldiers, The Lord of earth and sky,
Our health while we are living, Our life when we shall die.

2 Christ has our host surrounded With clouds of martyrs bright,
Who wave their palms in triumph And fire us for the fight.
Then Christ the cross ascended To save a world undone
And, suff'ring for the sinful, Our full redemption won.

3 Down through the realm of darkness He strode in victory,
And at the hour appointed He rose triumphantly.

And now, to heav'n ascended, He sits upon the throne
Whence He had ne'er departed, His Father's and His own.

- 4 Glory to God the Father, The unbegotten One,
All honor be to Jesus, His sole-begotten Son,
And to the Holy Spirit— The perfect Trinity.
Let all the worlds give answer: Amen! So let it be.

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428 Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow

- 1 Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow, Where the blood of Christ was shed,
Perfect man on thee did suffer, Perfect God on thee has bled!
- 2 Here the King of all the ages, Throned in light ere worlds could be,
Robed in mortal flesh is dying, Crucified by sin for me.
- 3 O mysterious condescending! O abandonment sublime!
Very God Himself is bearing All the sufferings of time!
- 4 Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow, Where the blood of Christ was shed,
Perfect man on thee did suffer, Perfect God on thee has bled!

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444 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

- 1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet With banners and with drums,
No sound of music's martial beat: "The King of glory comes!"
To greet what pomp of kingly pride No bells in triumph ring,
No city gates swing open wide: "Behold, behold your King!"
- 2 And yet He comes. The children cheer; With palms His path is strown.
With ev'ry step the cross draws near: The King of glory's throne.
Astride a colt He passes by As loud hosannas ring,
Or else the very stones would cry "Behold, behold your King!"
- 3 What fading flow'rs His road adorn; The palms, how soon laid down!
No bloom or leaf but only thorn The King of glory's crown.
The soldiers mock, the rabble cries, The streets with tumult ring,
As Pilate to the mob replies, "Behold, behold your King!"
- 4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake The cross and all its pains
And chose a servant's form to take, The King of glory reigns.
Hosanna to the Savior's name Till heaven's rafters ring,
And all the ransomed host proclaim "Behold, behold your King!"

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634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

- 1 The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord, We celebrate with one accord;
It is our comfort in distress, Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.

- 2 He blotted out with His own blood The judgment that against us stood;
For us He full atonement made, And all our debt He fully paid.
- 3 That this forever true shall be He gives a solemn guarantee:
In this His holy Supper here We taste His love so sweet, so near.
- 4 His Word proclaims and we believe That in this Supper we receive
His very body, as He said, His very blood for sinners shed.
- 5 We dare not ask how this can be, But simply hold the mystery
And trust this word where life begins: "Given and shed for all your sins."
- 6 They who this word do not believe This food unworthily receive,
Salvation here will never find – May we this warning keep in mind!
- 7 But blest is each believing guest Who in these promises finds rest;
For Jesus shall in love remain With all who here His grace obtain.
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe That we may worthily receive
Your Supper and in You find rest. Amen! They who believe are blest.

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439 O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken

- 1 O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession, What dark transgression?
- 2 They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;
With cruel mockings to the cross they urge Thee;
They give Thee gall to drink, they still decry Thee; They crucify Thee.
- 3 Whence come these sorrows, whence this mortal anguish?
It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must languish;
Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit, This I do merit.
- 4 What punishment so strange is suffered yonder!
The Shepherd dies for sheep that loved to wander;
The Master pays the debt His servants owe Him, Who would not know Him.
- 5 The sinless Son of God must die in sadness;
The sinful child of man may live in gladness;
Man forfeited his life and is acquitted; God is committed.
- 6 There was no spot in me by sin untainted;
Sick with sin's poison, all my heart had fainted;
My heavy guilt to hell had well-nigh brought me, Such woe it wrought me.

- 7 O wondrous love, whose depth no heart hath sounded,
That brought Thee here, by foes and thieves surrounded!
All worldly pleasures, heedless, I was trying While Thou wert dying.
- 8 O mighty King, no time can dim Thy glory!
How shall I spread abroad Thy wondrous story?
How shall I find some worthy gifts to proffer? What dare I offer?
- 9 For vainly doth our human wisdom ponder –
Thy woes, Thy mercy, still transcend our wonder.
Oh, how should I do aught that could delight Thee! Can I requite Thee?
- 10 Yet unrequited, Lord, I would not leave Thee;
I will renounce whate'er doth vex or grieve Thee
And quench with thoughts of Thee and prayers most lowly All fires unholy.
- 11 But since my strength will nevermore suffice me
To crucify desires that still entice me,
To all good deeds O let Thy Spirit win me And reign within me!
- 12 I'll think upon Thy mercy without ceasing,
That earth's vain joys to me no more be pleasing;
To do Thy will shall be my sole endeavor Henceforth forever.
- 13 Whate'er of earthly good this life may grant me,
I'll risk for Thee; no shame, no cross, shall daunt me.
I shall not fear what foes can do to harm me Nor death alarm me.
- 14 But worthless is my sacrifice, I own it;
Yet, Lord, for love's sake Thou wilt not disown it;
Thou wilt accept my gift in Thy great meekness Nor shame my weakness.
- 15 And when, dear Lord, before Thy throne in heaven
To me the crown of joy at last is given,
Where sweetest hymns Thy saints forever raise Thee, I, too, shall praise Thee.

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THE NUNC DIMITTIS

**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of
all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE THANKSGIVING, SALUTATION, and BENEDICAMUS

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

P The Lord be with you. C: **And with thy spirit.**

P Bless we the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Hymn 443

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna, The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple The lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, The simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving And chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven Rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children Should on His bidding wait.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence Eternally rejoice!

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THE POSTLUDE: 9:00 "Allemande" -Anthony Holborn arr. Wolff

11:15 & 7:00 "Hosanna" - Everett Titcomb

Preacher: Pastor Bloch **Lector:** Vicar Johnston

Liturgist: Pastor Fredstrom & Pastor Blomenberg

Organist: Mr. Paul Scheiderer **Brass Ensemble(9:00)**

Church Handbells(9:00) Adult, Youth & Children's Choir(9:00)

Immanuel's mission is to connect people to the life, calling, and community of Christ. Founded in 1870, Immanuel is a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. We believe the Bible is God's inspired Word and that we are saved by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ, who died for our sins. Please take a brochure from the Information Center, or visit us on-line at www.immanuelseymour.com.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

April 2 Maundy Thursday "For Many Means for You"

Communion 4:30 and 7; stripping of the altar

April 3 Good Friday "For Us He Gave His Dying Breath"

Noontime, 12:15 p.m. Children 4:30 p.m. Tenebrae 7:30 p.m.

EASTER SERVICES Sunday 6:30, 9, 11:15; Monday at 7

April 5 Easter "For Us He Lives on High to Reign!"