

Palm Sunday — April 10, 2022

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship Service LIVE—9:25am



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Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
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In View of God's Mercy

Palm Sunday: Mercy in Palms

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!" John 12:13

- **The Invocation and Call to Worship**

P: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

P: With palm branches in hand, we greet the One who comes to save us from our sin.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: With raised voices, we glorify the Messiah who comes humbly riding on a donkey.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: With jubilant song, we worship the King who comes to rule in righteousness and peace.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: With penitent hearts, we repent before the Lord who is holy and just.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: With soaring spirits, we rejoice in the God of our salvation.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king comes to you sitting on a donkey's colt.

C: Amen.

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*

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

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, 760-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

• **The Confession and Forgiveness**

P: On Palm Sunday the crowds welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem with the cry of “Hosanna!” But on Friday they called out for his execution, shouting “Crucify him!” So also our sin has led to Christ’s crucifixion. We repent of that sin, and we seek God’s mercy to absolve our iniquity.

C: Most merciful God, we have sinned much and are in need of your salvation. We cry to you “Hosanna, save us!” We ask you not to remember our evil but instead to forgive our transgression. For the sake of your humble servant, Jesus Christ, pardon us and restore us in righteousness. Renew our spirits so that we walk in obedience to your Word, to the glory of your holy name.

P: We cry to you for mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

(Please silently reflect on the fact that though our sin is great, God’s mercy is greater.)

P: Hear the good news! God’s Word declares: “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Behold, your king comes to you; righteous and having salvation is he” (Zechariah 9:9). In the mercy of Almighty God, his Son Jesus was given to die for you. For Christ’s sake God forgives you all your sins and gives you his righteousness, making you holy in his sight and giving you salvation. His mercy endures forever because his love for you is steadfast. **Amen**

• **The Prayer of the Day**

P: Gracious Lord, as we enter this Holy Week, we do so in view of your mercy. As the people of Jerusalem greeted Jesus with palm branches in hand, so we now acknowledge him to be our King. We thank you for sending Jesus to be our Savior who gave his life so that we might live eternally. In view of your mercy, form us by your Spirit to take up our cross and follow him in humility and love. We pray these things in the holy name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Anthem..... “The Palms” by FaureChoir

- **The Old Testament Reading**, Zechariah 9:9-12
- **The Epistle Reading**, 2 Corinthians 2:14-17
- **The Gospel Reading**, John 12:12-19
- **The Sermon**

Hymn of the Day.....*The Day of Resurrection!*..... ELW 361

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| <p>1 The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad,
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over
with hymns of victory.</p> | <p>4 All praise to God the Father,
all praise to Christ the Son,
all praise to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number
fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory
ascribe to God alone!</p> |
| <p>2 Let hearts be purged of evil
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light,
and list'ning to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and hearing,
may raise the glad refrain.</p> | |

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt

- **The Offering**
- **The Prayers**

P: Almighty and merciful God, we approach your throne of grace today as your loyal subjects.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: You summon us to humility, even as you came humbly riding on a donkey, so guide us to walk humbly before you and one another.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: You summon us to worship, even as the children sang hosannas to you, so fill us with your Spirit to worship you in spirit and in truth.

C: Lord, have mercy.

- ***The Prayers cont'd***

P: You summon us to fidelity. Even as you set your face for Jerusalem and the cross, so give us faith to take up our cross and follow you.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: You summon us to sacrifice. Even as you offered your life as the ultimate sacrifice for sin, so give us courage to present our bodies as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable to you.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: In view of your mercy, move us by your Spirit to submit to your rule and live under your reign.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!

P: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

C: Amen.

- **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us...

C: 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.

- **The Benediction**

P: May the merciful God, who sent his Son to be Savior of the world, direct you to follow him as King in faith and faithfulness, through Jesus Christ to whom be the glory forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn..... *Ride on, Ride on in Majesty!*..... ELW 346

1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, your road pursue,
with palms and scattered garments strewed.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die,
bow your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

**DISMISSAL*

P: Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

(Please remain seated until Postlude has concluded.)

Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry.

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PRAYER LIST

Ellen Hatgi, member

Tommy Sorge, Nephew of Marie Purswell

Milton & Dolores Denn, Members

Erica Hoff, Daughter of Betty Walker

Sharyl Mildenstein, Family of Russ & Amy Mildenstein

Robb Port, Member

Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis

Dr. Heather DeVincentis, Friend of Sue and Lin Snyder

Libbianna LeDuff, Family of Hope Donati

Sharon Crayton, Friend of Betsy Galliher

Ronald Zeimen, Father of Amy Mildenstein

Thelma Powell, Member

Robert Hoff, III, Member

Family of Barbara Miller, Relative of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Joe Evens, Father of Patty Rimel

Dennis and Regina Cavell, Members

Eric and Anna Cavell, Son and Daughter-in-law of Dennis and Regina Cavell

Debbie O'Brien & children, Matthew Lokos, Benjamin & Dorothy Cavell, Family of Dennis & Regina Cavell

Barb Callow, Close friend of Marie Purswell

Peggy E., Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Kathryn Evens, Mother of Patty Rimel

Lin Snider, member

Ron and Sharon Layman, Friends of Betsy Galliher

Bob Schmidt, Brother of Dottie Titmas

Irene Matthews, Mother of Tammy Snurr

Victoria Garcia, FEC Family

Julia Campbell, Concerned Friends

Family of Bill Wynne, Friend of Sue Snyder and Linn Snider

Bob Waas, Father of Mike Waas

Joel Weaver and Family, Family of Tom and Johanna Waters

Bruce Bierer, Brother of Connie Chesnik

Sue Snyder, Member

Julio Valcarcel, Sr., Father-in-law of Trish Valcarcel

Family of Glenn Dayhoff, Members

Tony Magturo, Friend of Pastor Phil Beck

Darren, Sharon and Samuel Kelly, Family of a resident of Autumn Lake

Betty Walker, Member

Marie Purswell, Member

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

†Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy,
niece to Linwood Snider
†Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce,
grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas
†U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik,
grandson of Sam Purswell
†Dan Beck, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, son of
Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
†Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law
of Marcia & Raj Gupta
†1st LT Patrick Campion, US Army, son
of Michelle and Michael Harrod
†Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of
Mary Ann Ferguson
†Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of
Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in
law

*Do you have need for prayer?
Do you know someone else who has need for prayer?
If so, please know that we have a prayer team at
St. Paul's that is ready to help.
Simply contact the Church Office.
All requests are confidential.*

*****Please remember all the names on our prayer
list, and especially those that are **bold**.**
They have a specific current need for
Christian love and support.*

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

The cross is the tree of my eternal salvation nourishing and delighting me. I take root in its roots, and I am wholly delighted by its fruits. This is my nourishment when I am hungry, my fountain when I am thirsty, my covering when I am stripped, for my leaves are no longer fig leaves but the breath of life. This is my safeguard when I fear God and my support when I falter. This is the ladder of Jacob, the way of angels, at the summit of which the Lord is truly established. This is my tree, wide as the firmament, which extends from earth to the heavens. It is the pillar of the universe, the support of the whole world, holding together the variety of human nature, and riveted by the invisible bolts of the Spirit, so that it may remain fastened to the divinity and impossible to detach.

—Anonymous third-century homily

[“The Pasch History,” in *The Paschal Mystery: Ancient Liturgies and Patristic Texts*, ed. A. Hamman, O.F.M. (Staten Island, NY: Alba, 1969), pp. 64-65.]



ANNOUNCEMENTS

*******IMPORTANT REMINDER*******

Please remember, it is imperative that you completely fill out the **PINK** sign in sheets located on the bulletin board in the Church and on the table inside the door in the Parish Hall if you are Entering either building at a time other than a scheduled meeting or service. **Please** remember to check in with the Office **before** entering the Church building or the Parish Hall.

OFFERINGS

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times.

It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community.

Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

<https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/>

Please Note: We are not currently making a deposit each week due to the limited number of checks being sent into the office on a weekly basis.

Typically we have been making a deposit mid-month and prior to the end of the month.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,825.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

Actual/Electronic Income

Sunday, March 27, 2022

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 964.25
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 55.00
Total:	\$1,019.25

In Worship Offerings

Sunday, March 27, 2022:

Weekly Contributions:	\$730.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$200.00
Total:	\$930.00

In Worship Offerings

Mid Week Lent, Wednesday, March 31, 2022

Weekly Contributions:	\$2,486.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 230.00
Total:	\$2,716.00

ATTENDANCE:

Mid Week March 31, 2022

In-person: 27
Virtually: 8

April 3, 2022

In-person: 58
Virtually: 18

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, April 10th

Palm Sunday

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Monday, April 11th

FEC 8am-4pm
Finance 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 12th

Congregational Life 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 13th

FEC 8am-4pm
Soup & Sandwich 6:00pm
Lenten Service 7:00pm

Thursday, April 14th

Maundy Thursday

Worship Service 7:00pm

Friday, April 15th

Good Friday

Parish Office Closed
Worship Service 7:00pm

Saturday, April 16th

Easter Egg Hunt 3:00pm

Sunday, April 17th

Easter Sunday

Easter Breakfast 8:00am
Worship (Livestream) 9:25am
Autumn Lake Service 2:00pm

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Help us decorate for Easter by purchasing an Easter Lily.

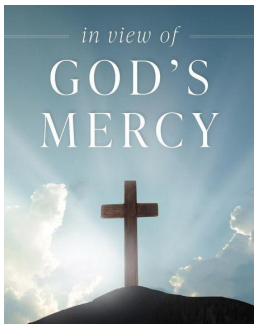
They are available for \$10.00 each.

Sign up on line through the link below, on our website or call the Parish Office to purchase with a check or cash. Please remember to designate your dedication.

Remember, you don't have to throw these beautiful lilies away; they can be planted in your garden for next year's blooming!

Today is the final day to order!

<https://forms.gle/kuwivvGnVTxy5nMY9>



Join us this Lent for daily devotions on Facebook every morning from Luther Seminary. Download the full devotion here:

<https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/lenten-devotional/>

Before our Holy Wednesday Compline, come join us in the Nave from 6:00pm-7:00pm for soup, sandwiches and fellowship.



All are invited to join our Holy Wednesday Compline

This Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7pm.

In person in the church and livestreaming on Facebook

Gathered at the Table

Gathered will be taking a break April 14th and April 21st.

We can't wait to see you again on April 28th!

Any thoughts? Comments? Questions? —

Bring them to the Nave Thursday, April 28th at noon and join us in person or join the discussion via Facebook live!

We want to hear what you have to say!



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*******IMPORTANT*******

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_BcwHkmbkl

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6l9JEpgsBUXlow1l7_-Q



2022 Easter Egg Hunt is April 16th at 3pm

Help needed:

If you are interested in helping make the day a fun time for the children of our community, please email Belinda at daydrmr24@msn.com. There are lots of opportunities to help, so you can pick your favorite area! We need help at the Welcome Table, at the four game and craft stations, at the photo op as well as the hunt itself and in the Praise Garden. It takes a village and I am truly grateful for all your help!

Since Summer, Quilt Ministry has made 66 twin-size quilted coverlets (50"X72") for distribution to the needy. We thank you for your generous donations of fabric. Now we are also asking for monetary donations to cover the cost of batting ("Quilt stuffing"). The least expensive batting costs about \$3.50 per quilt. It adds up. Donations may be made in cash, by check or electronically, with all donations designated "quilts". Your generous giving helps us continue our ministry to help feed the body and spirit of all.
Thank you.



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We invite you to study, pray, reflect and give with us during ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving — for our families, our neighbors and communities around the world. Please use the link below to join us during this Lenten Season.

<https://www.elca.org/40days>



GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

Items of need currently are:

Spaghetti Sauce
Peanut Butter
Baked Beans
Cereal

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall.

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