PALM SUNDAY

Palmarum



April 2, 2023 LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH Lebanon Church, VA

WELCOME TO LEBANON LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are happy that you have joined us for worship today. If you are a visitor and seeking a church home, Pastor Porter or one of our members will be happy to assist you. Please feel free to take a Newsletter and one or more of the *A Short Explanation of...* books located in the vestibule.

If you are unfamiliar with liturgical worship, this bulletin includes the entire Order of Service for this Sunday. At the time of the Distribution of Holy Communion, the congregation may sing additional hymns from the *Lutheran Book of Worship* (LBW, the big green book). The hymn numbers are listed near the heading "Communion Hymns." We are ready to assist you with any questions you may have, and Pastor Porter regularly offers instruction in the liturgy for the sake of greater understanding and participation.

If you intend to commune this day, please review the Communion statement,

located under the SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT heading in this bulletin. It is our hope and prayer that all communicants will embrace our Confession of Faith as baptized Christians who desire to receive the Lord's body and blood in the Sacrament.

Please see the Parish Announcements at the end of this bulletin for congregational events, educational, and outreach opportunities.

We welcome families with children and understand that children wiggle and make noise. We encourage their presence in the Service and their own "joyful noises."

Families may make use of the room at the front entrance to the church (the overflow) or the nursery near the fellowship hall as a retreat if it is desired.

May our gracious God bless and edify you as we worship Him this day!

Soli Deo Gloria

PROCESSION OF PALMS

If the procession begins outside the nave, the congregation gathers around the processional cross. Please be sure to take a Passion Reading booklet for participation in the congregational reading of the Passion according to St. Matthew.

Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.
- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the Son of David.

Collect

P Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Holy Gospel John 12:12–19

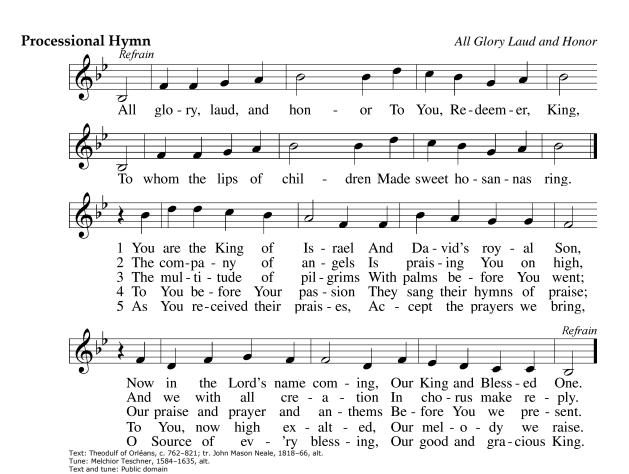
- The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.
- **P** Let us go forth in peace,
- **C** in the name of the Lord.



When all have arrived at their places, the procession concludes with the following:

- **P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.

A time of silence may be observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

Sit

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Epistle 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.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Tract Psalm 129:1–4

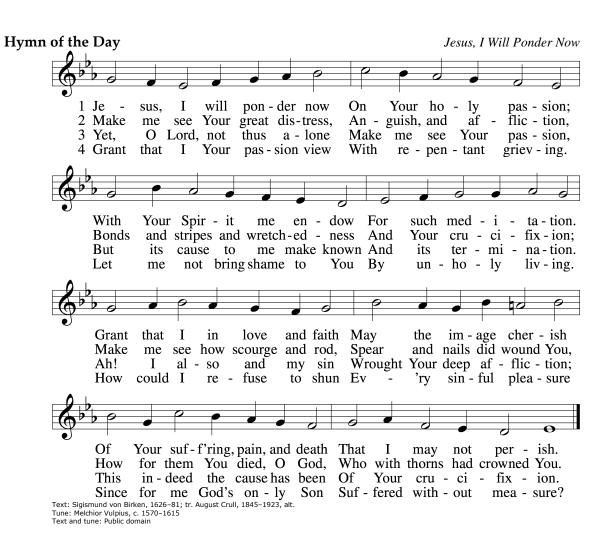


"Greatly have they afflicted me | from my youth"—*
let Israel | now say—
"Greatly have they afflicted me | from my youth,*
yet they have not prevailed a- | gainst me.
The plowers plowed up- | on my back;*
they made long their | furrows."
The LORD is | righteous;*
he has cut the cords of the | wicked.

Sit. The Congregation reads the bold text from the Passion Reading booklet, marked with a cross.

The Passion According to St. Matthew

Stand



Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

> We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the

→ life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Preparation of the Altar

When the altar is prepared, we stand for the offertory.

Offertory

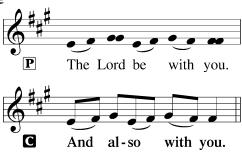


The sacrifices of God are a broken | spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will | not despise.

Do good to Zion in your good | pleasure;*
build up the walls of Je- | rusalem;
then will you delight in right sacrifices,
in burnt offerings and whole burnt | offerings;*
then bulls will be offered on your | altar.

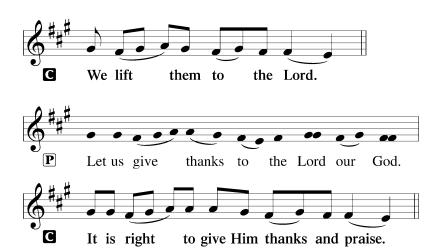
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface





Psalm 51:17-19



Proper Preface

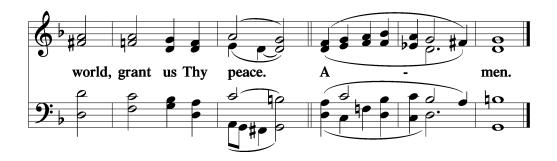
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The Words of Our Lord

Lord's Prayer

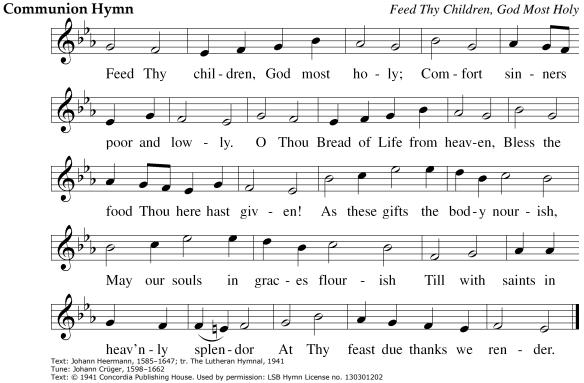




Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.



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- 1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain 2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Takes all Lamb, our sins a - way;
- 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine,
- 4 My soul looks back to see The bur-den Thou didst bear
- 5 Be liev ing, we re joice To see the curse re move;



Could give the guilt - y con-science peace Or wash a - way the stain.

A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.

While as a pen - i - tent I stand, And there con - fess my sin.

When hang-ing on the curs - ed tree; I know my guilt was there.

We bless the Lamb with cheer - ful voice And sing His bleed-ing love.

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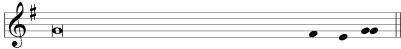
Additional Hymns

LBW 123, 460

When all have communed, we stand for the Post-Communion Collect.

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

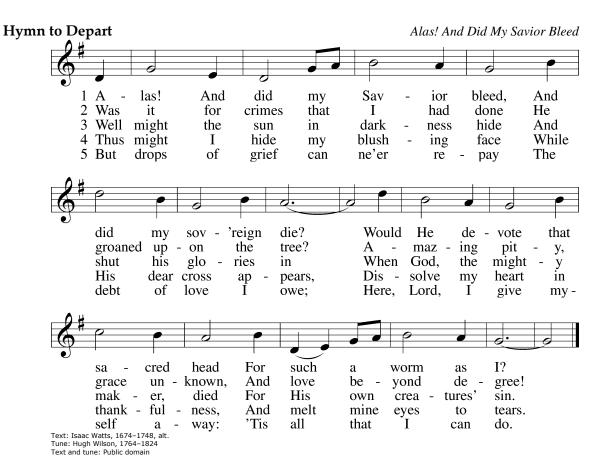


P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





Dismissal

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Prayer Requests

Rev. Bill White, Fran Reidy, Arlene Hamman, Chris Heird, Steve Lowe, Adam Porter, Michael Reidy, Stephanie Andre, Kim, the Tim Middleton family, Baby Weimerskirch, Baby Kowaleski, Robert Denley, Joseph Carbaugh, for the Lutheran Church in the Valley, for an increase in parish membership, for those the victims of the school .

From the Chair of the Anniversary Committee

- There is a sign up sheet for BBQ chicken for April 15 on the table in the educational wing. The sale is for the benefit of the 175th Anniversary. \$5/half and can be picked up at H. L. Borden Lumber Company in Strasburg, or Tractor Supply in Woodstock, or delivered to church on Sunday.
- **WE WILL NEED HELP** on April 15 at 7am in Edinburg to wrap the chicken and take to both sites. Also needed are plastic grocery bags for people to carry their wrapped chicken.
- *Pull out your favorite recipes!* We're building a cookbook in conjunction with the 175th anniversary celebration. Recipes may be submitted to Tammy Leathers by April 2. Cookbooks will be available for purchase and proceeds will be used toward the anniversary celebration.

Congregational Budget Information

Needed each week: \$3,173.71

Sunday 3/26: \$2,937.00

This Week is Holy Week!

Holy Monday – 10am ZOOM Bible Study: Acts 18 and 19, Adult Catechism at 7pm (Final Class).

Holy Wednesday – Matins at 8:15am, Confession at 10am, Midweek Holy Communion at 1:30pm, and Soup Supper and Evening Prayer, at 6 and 7pm.

Holy (Maundy) Thursday – Divine Service of the Institution of the Sacrament of the Altar at 7pm.

Good Friday – Tenebrae Service at 7pm.

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil Service begins at 7pm outside on the lawn with the New Fire ceremony.



EASTER SUNDAY DIVINE SERVICE OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

SUNRISE SERVICE AT 6:30AM



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