

## Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**Take a moment to notice the \* at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The \* indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.**



On the Sunday before His death, Jesus is hailed as King and Lord; and palm branches carpet the path of His humble entrance into Jerusalem. In the Lord's Supper, Jesus still enters our lives with humble means; and He is still Lord and King. It is not too great a thing for Him to be present with His flesh and blood for our forgiveness! We do practice close communion, and guests are asked to speak with the pastor or elder before the service.

### PALMARUM (PALM) SUNDAY

***"The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory"***

April 13, 2025

**AS WE GATHER:** *"Behold, your King is coming to you . . . humble and mounted on a donkey"* (Zech. 9:9-12; Mt. 21:1-9). Our Lord rides in this humble fashion because He is entering Jerusalem to humble Himself even to the point of death on a cross (Phil. 2:5-11). His kingly crown will not be made of gold but of thorns, the sign of sin's curse. For His royal reign is displayed in bearing this curse for His people, saving us from our enemies by sacrificing His own life. The sinless One takes the place of the sinner so that the sinner can be freed and bear the name "*Barabbas*," "*son of the Father*" (Matthew 26 and 27). It is at the name of this exalted Savior, Jesus, that we bow in humble faith. With the centurion who declared, "*Truly this was the Son of God!*" (Mt. 27:54), we are also given to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil. 2:11).

### Announcements

**We begin our Palm Sunday service with the Procession of Palms. Pastor will announce when it is time to gather near the back of the sanctuary for the procession. Anyone who wants to participate in the procession is welcome to do so. For anyone who may not be comfortable standing for long periods of time, please feel free to follow along with the procession from your seats.**

## PROCESSIONAL

### GREETING:

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

**People:** **Amen.**

**Pastor:** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People:** **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" LSB 442

**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  
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 prayers 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]

## CONCLUSION:

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People:** Hosanna in the highest.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:** LSB 203

**KYRIE:** LSB 204

**SALUTATION:** LSB 205

## COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God,

**People:** 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.

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Zechariah  
9:9-12

Pew Bible Page 1480

**EPISTLE:** Philippians 2:5-11  
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**\*HOLY GOSPEL:** Matthew  
21:1-9

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**\*NICENE CREED:** LSB 206

**SERMON HYMN:** **LSB 438**

"A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"

## SERMON

**OFFERTORY:** Chancel Choir  
"Hosanna the Highest Sing"

## \*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**\*LORD'S PRAYER** LSB 209

**\*BENEDICTION** LSB 212

This concludes the service for online viewing

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 208ff

## Distribution Hymn:

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

**LSB 420**

"Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow"

**LSB 428**

**\*NUNC DIMITTIS** LSB 211

**\*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** LSB 212

**\*BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION** LSB 212

**CLOSING HYMN** **LSB 441**  
"Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

**PARTICIPATING:**

Worship Leader/Preacher  
Organist  
Worship Elder

Lay Reader  
Greeters  
Door Greeter

Pastor Justin D. Kane  
Mrs. Kolleen Hosford  
Mr. Kevin McCrindle  
Mr. Al Hosford  
Mr. Mike Carper  
Ed and Judy DePaepe  
Brian Williams

