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**Palm Sunday**

**April 2, 2023**

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**Welcome:** We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. *Offerings are received at the door as you enter or leave. Please take a moment to complete an attendance registration slip found in the pew rack and return it to the offering plates also.*

**Prayer Requests** are always welcome. To have someone included in our prayers during worship, please call the pastor or church office or write down the request and give it to the pastor.

**Lectionary Summary:** “*Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming.*” He comes in gentle humility, “*sitting on a donkey’s colt,*” yet also as the King of Israel “*in the name of the Lord*” (John 12:13, 15). His royal glory is faithful obedience and self-sacrificing service “*to the point of death, even death on a cross*” (Phil. 2:8). The love of God is manifested in the cross and Passion of His Son for the salvation of sinners. Since He has borne our sins and suffered our death, “*God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name*” (Phil. 2:9), and He exalts us in His resurrection. Our Lord did not hide His face “*from disgrace and spitting*” (Is. 50:6), but He trusted His God and Father, who raised Him from death and the grave and exalted Him to His right hand. This same King Jesus now comes to us in gentle humility in His Supper, where He feeds us with His body and cleanses and covers us with His blood, so that “*after his resurrection*” we also shall rise and enter the holy city (Matt. 27:52–53).



## Order of Worship for Palm Sunday

Grace Lutheran Church of Wayne, Nebraska

April 2, 2023, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



*All children are invited to take part in this morning's palm processional. Join us in the church entryway to receive a palm leaf and line up.*

### PRESERVICE MUSIC

### RINGING OF THE BELLS

*Stand*

#### ♪ PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, And Honor"

*LSB 442 vs. 1-3,5*

*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 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*
- 5 As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King.

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- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.  
**P** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**C** Hosanna to the Son of David.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter. *John 12:12-19*

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**P** 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.**

*Sit*

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

♪ **ENTRANCE HYMN: "Hosanna! Blessed Jesus"** (*to the tune Christus, der ist mein*)

**Hosanna! Blessed Jesus, Come in our hearts to dwell,  
And let our lives and voices Your praise and glory tell.  
Hosanna! Let this welcome Ring out from ev'ry heart;  
Draw near to us, O Jesus, And never more depart.**

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** 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; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING***Zechariah 9:9–12*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**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.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ORAL EXAMINATION OF THE 2023 JUNIOR CONFIRMATION CLASS 10:30 A.M.****♪SERMON HYMN: “Ride On, Ride On In Majesty”***LSB 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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**SERMON "The Mind of Christ "**

**Pastor Buchhorn**

*Sit*

**♪HYMN: "Let Me Be Thine Forever"**

*LSB 689*

- 1 Let me be Thine forever, My faithful God and Lord;  
Let me forsake Thee never Nor wander from Thy Word.  
Lord, do not let me waver, But give me steadfastness,  
And for such grace forever Thy holy name I'll bless.**
- 2 Lord Jesus, my salvation, My light, my life divine,  
My only consolation, O make me wholly Thine!  
For Thou hast dearly bought me With blood and bitter pain.  
Let me, since Thou hast sought me, Eternal life obtain.**
- 3 O Thou, O Holy Spirit, My comforter and guide,  
Grant that in Jesus' merit I always may confide,  
Him to the end confessing Whom I have known by faith.  
Give me Thy constant blessing And grant a Christian death.**

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**RITE OF CONFIRMATION (10:30 A.M.)**

*Stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**BENEDICAMUS**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with your spirit.  
**P** Bless we the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**CHORAL BENEDICTION 10:30 A.M.**

## **BENEDICTION 8:00 A.M.**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** Amen, amen, amen.

*Sit*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **♪ RECESSIONAL HYMN: “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

*LSB 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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## NEWS AND NOTES

**WE REJOICE** with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Andrea Trautman, Kari Woehler, Matthew Schaefer, Amanda Broberg, Landen Ekberg, Larsyn Ekberg, Justin Anderson, Tasha Forsyth, Abigail Bose & Jason Claussen

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Jacob & Katie Mathieson, Alan & Brenda Pippitt, Dennis & Pam Ekberg and Chad & Pam Janke

**NURSERY:** A nursery room has been created to help parents with young children. The nursery is located in the first room west of the upstairs fellowship hall. Please feel welcome to use the room to quiet your child.

**PARENTS OF LITTLE CHILDREN:** Books which your children may enjoy are available in book bags located near the doors at the east end of the sanctuary. Please return the books after the worship service. Thank you.

**LAST WEEK** our offerings were \$6,354.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** Join us at 9:15 in the church basement for our class "Disciplines for Disciples" as we look more closely at the importance of Christian Growth and the means God's gives us to bring it about.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** There will be no Wednesday morning study during Holy Week (April 5). The class will resume its study of Nehemiah on April 12.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:** Mark these holy days with us and invite a friend. Maundy Thursday Communion Worship at 7 p.m. Good Friday 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Easter Day Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast at 8 a.m. Hymn Sing at 9:15 and Festival Worship at 10:30 a.m.

**EASTER HYMN SING:** In place of our normal Sunday School and Bible class time, during our Bible class hour (9:15 a.m.) on Easter morning we will have a hymn sing in the sanctuary. There are too many great Easter hymns to fit into one church service. Join us for this time to sing even more Alleluias.

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** "He Is Risen, Indeed" -- Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler -- Christ's resurrection affects everyone—even those who don't believe it happened. Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

**FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE:** There will be no family communion service on Holy Saturday (4/8). This smaller group worship opportunity offers a slightly shorter and more informal services along with a weekly opportunity to come to the Sacrament of the Altar. The message is the same as the one for the following Sunday. The services will resume April 15.

**COLLEGE SUNDAY NIGHT DINNERS:** There will be no Sunday Night Dinner next Sunday for Easter. However, we invite all our College Students, Young Adults, and anyone who wants to join us tonight to join us for dinner starting at 7:30pm down at Cup of Grace. At 6:30pm we will also have a time of Bible Study for anyone interested in growing in wisdom with God's word. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to host a meal or even a few of them for this semester! Again, we greatly appreciate all of your help, and definitely welcome all students who are interested in coming together for some fellowship!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** This week's lesson is "A Crushing Truth." The events of Christ's crucifixion unfold in a series of brutal and bloody vignettes: questioned before Pilate, mocked and abused by the Roman guard, nailed to the cross. Jesus hangs between life and death—abandoned by His Father—yielding up His life at the moment He chooses. Multiple witnesses see where Christ is laid in a borrowed tomb. Discuss how you can remember the crucifixion of Christ.

**EASTER BREAKFAST:** Don't forget to join us next Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, for our Easter Breakfast starting at 8am! The youth are serving pancakes, sausage, yogurt, and so much more! This is a free will donation, but we just look forward to showing you our thanks for your love and support throughout the year!

**EASTER SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Next Sunday, our Sunday School classes will not be meeting as normal. Instead, during our Sunday School hour 9:15-10:15am we invite all ages to join us in the sanctuary for a Hymn sing and time of further fellowship. We hope you can join us, and we will see you all soon!



**LWML SIOUX CITY SPRING RALLY** will be April 15, 2023, at Redeemer Lutheran, Sioux City, IA. Keynote speaker will be Linda Reiser, past National President LWML. RSVP by April 7, 2023, to [redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com](mailto:redeemerchurchsc@gmail.com).

**LERT TRAINING AT GRACE:** A Basic LERT Training class will be held at **Grace Lutheran Church of Wayne** on **April 22, 2023**. The class is for new or reviewing participants. During the class, participants will be introduced to the LCMS Disaster Response program and learn the basic nature of disasters, the opportunities to respond to personal needs in such disasters and how as Christians, can support church workers, families, congregations and the public, as the hands and feet of Jesus, during these trying times. Other class topics include response and deployment protocol in times of disasters, a ministry of presence, and safety practices. This training event will equip you to be an effective volunteer should a disaster strike your community. To learn more you can go to <https://www.lcms-lert.org/>

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Come join our KINGDOM QUEST at Grace Lutheran Church June 19th – 23rd from 5:15 to 8:00PM. Kids will learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son and will be equipped with the armor of God to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in today's battle for truth. Grab your armor and get ready for an epic quest like no other as we uncover the strength of God's love for ALL of His children! Register today by visiting our website at: <https://gracewayne.myanswers.com/keepers-of-the-kingdom/>

**BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES:** Listen to the news on any given evening and you will be inundated with accounts of terrible things happening, both locally and around the world. Hearing bad news every day can cause you to become anxious and hopeless. Consider taking a week-long "news holiday" by turning off the TV and computer. Use your new-found free time to read and memorize Scripture. When you commit Jesus' words to memory, you will be able to recall them whenever you hear bad news: "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." Lutheran Family Service - [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

**WAYNE ZONE LWML** Spring Workshop will be Tuesday, April 18 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Martinsburg. Registration begins at 9:00 AM. Pastor Michael Awe will be the mission speaker, sharing his experiences teaching Bible School in Poland. In gathering is for the Poland Mission Trip.

## **PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**PASTORS:** Pastor Michael Buchhorn, Senior Pastor

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Pastor Emeritus: Pastor Carl Lilienkamp

**ELDER ON DUTY:** Mike Heithold (8:00) Jared Heithold (10:30)

**ACOLYTES:** Bryn Tiedtke & Myles Tiedtke (8:00)

Chase Rethwisch & Reagan Heithold (10:30)

**GREETERS:** Louise Green & Jeanette Swanson (8:00)

Don & Lisa Nelson (10:30)

**FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL:** Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

Director –Sara Ruwe– 402.369.2661

**LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR:** Eldon & Ellen Heinemann



### **Holy Week**

#### **THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am.	Worship with Confirmation
	9:15 am.	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship
<b>MONDAY</b>	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Dinner
	3:30 pm.	Kinship Communion
	6:00 pm.	Choir
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:30 pm.	Elders
	7:00 pm.	Maundy Thursday Worship
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 am.	Good Friday Worship
	7:00 pm.	Good Friday Worship
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>No Family Communion</b>
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	7:00 am.	Easter Sunrise Worship
	8:00 am.	Easter Breakfast
	9:15 am.	Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Easter Worship

## 2023 GRACE LUTHERAN CONFIRMANDS

**Emma LaVerne Heithold** - Emma is the daughter of Douglas Heithold and Lora (Maxon) Heithold. Emma was born in Norfolk, NE on June 12, 2008, and baptized at Grace Lutheran Church on July 13, 2008, by Pastor John Pasche. Emma's confirmation verse is Isaiah 40:29-31, *"He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."*

**Maddux Otto Heithold** - Maddux is the son of Jared Heithold and Amanda (Munter) Heithold. Maddux was born in Wayne, NE on January 14, 2009, and baptized on March 1st, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor John Pasche. Maddux's confirmation verse is the second half of Matthew 28:20, *"And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

**Dylan Ray Jensen** - Dylan is the son of Darin Jensen and Jessi (Moss) Jensen. Dylan was born in Sioux City, IA on September 24, 2008, and baptized on January 18, 2009, at Shepherd of Peace Lutheran Church in Sergeant Bluff, IA by Pastor Tim Schiller. Dylan's confirmation verse is 1 John 4:19, *"We love because He first loved us."*

**Konnor Clarke Kai** - Konnor is the son of Brandon Kai and Stacey (Langemeier) Kai. Konnor was born in Norfolk, NE on April 17, 2009, and baptized on May 24, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor John Pasche. Konnor's confirmation verse is 1 Corinthians 6:20, *"For you were bought with a price. So, glorify God in your body."*

**Blake Arseme Kneifl** - Blake is the son of Ron Kneifl and Desiree (Templemann) Kneifl. Blake was born in Wayne, NE on August 27, 2008, and baptized on September 28, 2008, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Martinsburg, NE by Pastor Terry Kenitz. Blake's confirmation verse is the second half of Matthew 28:20, *"And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

**Lanee Mae Rethwisch** - Lanee is the daughter of Jesse Rethwisch and Angie (Schlueter) Rethwisch. Lanee was born in Norfolk, NE on October 2, 2008, and baptized on November 30, 2008, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor John Pasche. Lanee's confirmation verse is Ephesians 5:8, *"for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light."*

**Hunter Zane Ruwe** - Hunter is the son of Joshua L. Ruwe and Sara Beth (Frerichs) Ruwe. Hunter was born in Norfolk, NE on April 20, 2009, and baptized on July 19, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor John Pasche. Hunter's confirmation verse is 1 John 14:9, *"We love because He first loved us."*

**Graycen Marie Trautman** - Graycen is the daughter of Levi Trautman and Andrea (Kai) Trautman. Graycen was born in Norfolk, NE on May 12, 2009, and baptized on July 5, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor Carl Lilienkamp. Graycen's confirmation verse is Deuteronomy 31:6, *"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."*

**Cloey Frances Young** - Cloey is the daughter of Chad Young and Krista (Lilienkamp) Young. Cloey was born in Norfolk, NE on March 6, 2009, and baptized on April 11, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor Carl Lilienkamp. Cloey's confirmation verse is Psalm 25:2-3, *"My God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me. Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame..."*

**Cole David Zach** - Cole is the son of Mark Zach and Angie Zach. Cole was born in Norfolk, NE on September 5, 2008, and baptized on April 26, 2009, at Grace Lutheran Church by Pastor Carl Lilienkamp. Cole's confirmation verse is Revelation 3:11, *"I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown."*

