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Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship Services	8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
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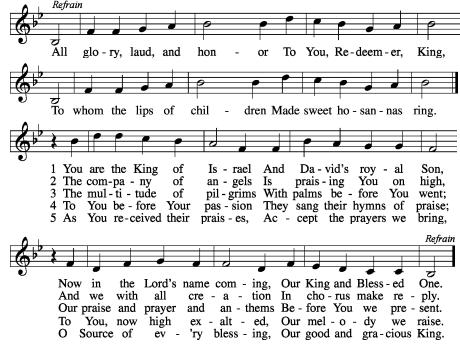
Prayer for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Lord Jesus, today we join those who lined the streets of Jerusalem in acclaiming You as King. Our hearts and voices sing with joy: "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!" Help us to see You as a King unlike any other. You came in humility to save us from our sins. Though more powerful than any king this world has ever known, You laid aside the full and constant use of Your divine powers to suffer and die for the sins of the world. Give lasting strength to our desires to follow You as loyal subjects of Your kingdom. As the remembrance of Your death approaches, let the memory of the hosannas of this day validate the truth that hung over Your head: "This is the king of the Jews." Amen.



Confession and Absolution

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor



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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise,, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen.



Service of the Word

Kyrie Mark 10:47

Christ, have mercy.

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Lord, have mercy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- 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.

G Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

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?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

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

Lutheran Chorale

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.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel: John 12:12–19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- **G** 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.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



Sermon

"Palm Sunday and The Passion of our Lord"

Text: See the Epistle Reading

Stand

Prayer of the Church

After each portion of the prayer:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.

Sit

Lord's Prayer

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.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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.

G Amen.

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



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Soli Deo Gloria!

(To God alone be the glory.)

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