

Zion

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025

9:15 am Worship

Live streamed on Zion's facebook page

Or posted at www.zionmanheim.com (Ministry Tab, then video) to view

Order for Worship

MUSIC FOR GATHERING “Hosanna to the Lord”
Sanctuary Choir

Becki Slagle Mayo

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GREETING

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

And also with you.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

*PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: **Luke 19:28-40**

²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴ They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

“Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!”

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” ⁴⁰ He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*BLESSING OF PALMS


Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Refrain



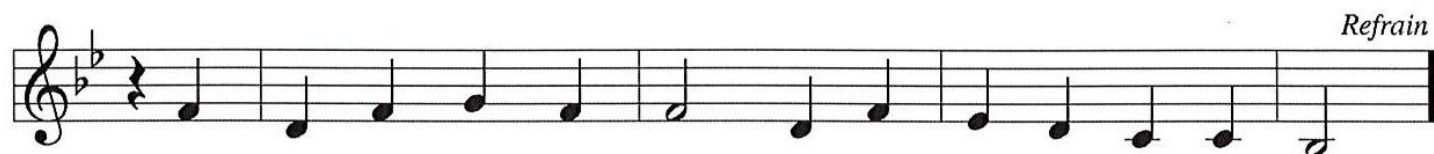
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



Refrain

now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Righteous God, as we celebrate Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we know where the journey leads. We give thanks that you would willingly give so much of yourself so that we might know hope, and love, and salvation.

Glory be to you, O God, for your loving sacrifice.

In the days ahead, as we witness the deep night of your death, help us to remember your presence in its midst and hope for the resurrection dawn to come. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: **Philippians 2:5-11**

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*you may remain seated*)



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The Passion of our Lord according to Luke

see handout

*HYMN OF THE DAY "Christ, the Life of All the Living"



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,
2 You have suf - fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,
3 Then, for all that bought my par - don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,



Christ, your - self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:
e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;
for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;



through your suf - f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.
for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

*APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*ORDER FOR CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart.
Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Silence is kept for reflection

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you:

We confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's,

Our faith is often more show than substance,

Our hearts are in need of cleansing.

Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives.

Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are,

Trusting you to forgive what is sinful,

To heal what is broken,

To welcome your praises and to receive you as your own.

Almighty God looks upon us with mercy and by water and the word joins us
to the saving death of Jesus Christ. Through the Holy Spirit, God raises us with
Christ to new life.

As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each petition will end "Have mercy, O God," and the response is "hear our prayer."

***SHARING THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MUSIC OFFERING "Lenten Sanctus"

Susan and Lee Dengler

A stewardship note: Offering plates have been placed near the entrance to receive your gifts. An additional offering plate is on the stand near the organ. If you miss the chance to drop off your offering when you arrive, you are welcome to place your offering in the plate at the close of the service.

OFFERTORY CANTICLE (*remain seated*)



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

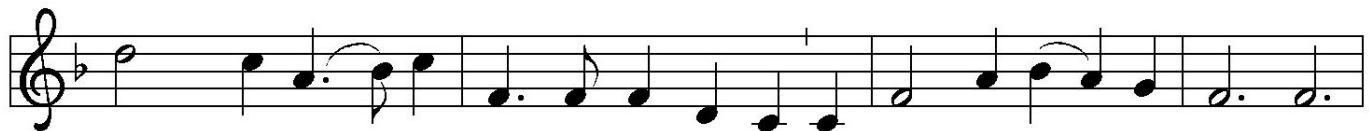
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Welcome to the Lord's Table: Communion will be distributed by continuous progression at the front of the sanctuary, and you are welcome to come forward by side, as directed by the pastor. In addition to the pre-poured cups of communion wine, grape juice (darker in color) is available in the center of each tray, and gluten free wafers are available upon request. You are welcome to kneel at the rail for prayer after receiving the elements. The communion cups may be placed in the small baskets near the end of the pews as you return to your seat.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

“Jesus, Remember Me”

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats (Bb, Eb) and a 7/8 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The treble staff has a final chord, and the bass staff has a final chord.

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, Holy One,
for the body and blood of our Lord, given with love for the world.
Send us out in your Spirit to share the good news of salvation
and give ourselves for others; in the name of Christ our Savior. Amen.

*THE BLESSING

*CLOSING HYMN “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;

The closing hymn is written in a treble and bass staff. The key signature is two sharps (F#, C#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
 the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - ered there for me.
 I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
 And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
 con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
 the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
 my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

***THE DISMISSAL**

Marked with the cross of Christ, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE “Lord, You are More Precious Than Silver” with
 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Stan Pethel

Announcements

The Lord's Prayer: Study and conversation continues this week following worship. We meet at the table in the Rose Parlor following worship.

Daughters of Zion will meet this month on April 21st at Pleasant View's Fireside Lounge beginning at 1:30pm. It's always a treat to get together with some of our former classmates. Hope to see you there!

During the month of April, we are collecting gift cards for The Home on Ferdinand. In conjunction with the Daughters of Zion class, we are asking for your participation in providing assistance for the women and kids who live at the facility. Cards may be purchased in denominations from \$10-\$25 from various local stores (listed in this month's Rosette article) and dropped in the collection basket on the table in the Rose Parlor. We will collect them through the end of the month. Thank you for your generosity.

Zion's Camping Group has planned two events in the upcoming weeks. The first is an annual trip to Gettysburg from April 25-27. The second is planned to Jim Thorpe in the Poconos from May 9-11. Expanded information about the trips can be found in this month's Rosette. Any questions, contact Sharon Lynes at 717-413-0895.

The Food Pantry is looking for cream of mushroom soup, pasta sides, cereal, egg noodles, rice sides, crackers, canned pineapple, and shampoo. (No used or opened items; no out-of-date items). Monetary donations may also be sent to the MC Food Pantry, c/o Salem United Methodist Church, 140 N. Penn St., Manheim. **Please make sure any food items you may be donating are not out of date.** Put donations in the cart outside the church office or drop them off in the box on the porch of the food pantry at 334 W. Gramby St., Manheim.



Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem
Ottoman

The Readings on This Day

Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday

Since at least the fourth century and universally in the church since the eighth, Christians have kept the Sunday before Easter as a memorial of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, and a literal procession of palms, begun in Jerusalem, has spread throughout the world. This year the reading of the passion is taken from Luke. The three-year lectionary restored an ancient practice of observing the Sunday before Easter as Passion Sunday, and so a longer or shorter reading from the passion in Luke is the gospel of the day. Since in the three-year lectionary Lent has replaced a sustained meditation on the passion with a focus on baptism, the proclamation of the full passion on this Sunday is important for biblical literacy. Thus the service, inaugurating the most important week of the Christian year, has a two-part focus: Jesus' glorious entry into Jerusalem, and his suffering and death. It is advisable to offer preaching assistance to worshipers as they encounter the quite different theological emphases found in Passion Sunday's proclamation from the synoptic gospel of the year and in Good Friday's annual proclamation from John.

Luke 19:28-40

Holy Week begins with a palm procession and the proclamation of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem from the gospel of Luke. Christ enters the assembly now, just as he did then, and with the angels at his birth we praise his presence among us.

Luke 22:14—23:56

In Luke's gospel, the death of the messiah is the merciful act of a loving Savior who brings forgiveness to the whole world. Several of the details in Luke's narrative are among the most beloved in the church's memory of the passion. Proclaimed in the Sunday assembly, the passion of Christ leads to the eucharist, which is always a celebration of the resurrection.

Philippians 2:5-11

We join with Christians of the first century in a creedal poem: Christ humbled himself to death, and God has raised him as Lord. The ancient song is a summary, not only of our baptismal faith, but also of the Holy Week beginning today.

Holy Week Schedule

April 13 – Palm/Passion Sunday – 9:15 a.m. worship with blessing of the palms, congregational reading and holy communion

April 17 – Maundy Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

April 18 – Good Friday at Noon – Worship intended to offer a time for prayerful reflection on Jesus' sacrifice of love on the cross

April 18 - Good Friday at 2:00pm – Manheim Ministerial Association hosts its annual Good Friday Tenebrae service at Pleasant View Hoffer Auditorium. This worship focuses on Jesus' last words from the cross.

April 20 – Easter Sunday – 9:15 a.m. worship in celebration of Christ's resurrection. Coffee and refreshments are available before and after our worship Easter morning.

THIS
EASTER

*there is a place
for you here*

