Trinity Lutheran Church

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SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

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Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.

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The Promised Savior Comes

As We Gather

The words of the prophet Zechariah echo throughout this special day: "Behold your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9). On this day, we remember how Jesus Christ, the King of all creation, came down the Mount of Olives riding "a colt, the foal of a donkey." We know the time and the place of that coming down the hill and traveling in procession across the valley and up to the city of Jerusalem. Jesus rode down a real mountain in a definite time in history and at a place still very much there today. All this was for a most certain purpose. On this day of celebration and of sorrow, we have reason to rejoice in the salvation our humble King brought for us to and through Jerusalem and to the cross on Calvary's hill. The people there called out *Hosanna!*—which means "save us now!" And Jesus fulfilled their—and our—heart-felt request.

PROCESSION OF PALMS

If the procession begins outside the nave, the congregation gathers around the processional cross. If the congregation is already seated in the nave, it now stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance to the nave.

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.

1

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.

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ref All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

- 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 angelsIs praising You on high,And we with all creationIn chorus make reply. Refrain

 The multitude of pilgrims With palms before You went; Our praise and prayer and anthems Before You we present. Refrain
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When all have arrived at their places, the people may raise their branches as the procession concludes with the following:

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

Opening Sentences

- P All hail to Jesus, the King of our lives! Lift up your hearts and rejoice in Him!
- C He came from the very throne of God, but He gave that up to suffer a criminal's death on the cross.

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- P But God raised Him up that the ends of the earth may bow before Him as their King!
- C Jesus Christ is Lord! Hosanna!
- P In Him is forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.
- C Have mercy on us, Lord! Bless us with Your peace! Hosanna! Hosanna!

PREPARATION

Confession and Absolution

1 Thessalonians 5:23

- P Let us now make confession of our sins to God, our gracious, heavenly Father.
- C Eternal God, we confess that we were born sinful and have continued to sin in thought, word, and deed. O God, in Your mercy, forgive our sin and renew Your Spirit within us that we may joyfully follow Your will and gladly obey Your commandments. For the sake of Jesus, our Lord, forgive our sins and direct us in ways of compassion and love.
- P In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in peace.

C Amen.

Salutation

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

WORD

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

³⁶ The LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free.
³⁷Then he will say, "Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, ³⁸who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection!

³⁹ See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive;

I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

John 12:20-43

²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" ³⁵So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. ³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

⁴⁰ He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them."

⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. ⁴²Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Rite: Reception of New Members

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- 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.

- 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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Special Presentation: Mrs. Izola Gayles

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs:
 We pray for the Church as it observes this Holy Week around the world that all people come to see in Christ alone the Redeemer of the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for all nations, that conflicts cease and that the kingdom of God come to bless our world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P As we anticipate the celebration of Holy Week and Easter, we pray for our families and the people closest to us. Grant that we share with them our faith in Christ and live together as God's sanctified and thankful people. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P We pray for those with special needs and concerns this day, especially the hospitalized, the grieving, the unemployed, and all those whose special situations are on our hearts at this time and for whom our petitions are desired, [*including*...]. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

- P As this holiest week of the Church Year begins, Lord, we remember before You those many faithful Christian people who have been part of our lives and our fellowship in times past, especially those who have departed this life and now are rejoicing in the glory of Your promised heavenly Kingdom. Direct our ways on earth that we may complete this life in faith and may at last sing eternal hosannas together with them and all the company of heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.
- C Amen.

Offering

Lord's Prayer

 C 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.

Closing Collect

- P Gracious and righteous God, You sent us one who suffered and died for our sakes. Move us again with the power of that blessed sacrifice for sin, that experiencing again the passion and the compassion of the crucified Lord Jesus, we be directed by Your Spirit into ways of humble service in thanksgiving to our Savior, in whose name we pray.
- C Amen.

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.
- C Amen.

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

1 Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise; Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease, Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.

 Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way; With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day. Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, That in this house have called upon Thy name.
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WELCOME – A warm welcome to everyone! If you are our GUEST, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. **BLESSINGS!**

PALM BRANCHES – Palm branches will be distributed to each member following today's worship.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS – Today, we will welcome into Membership Pastor and Mrs. Marvin and Shirley Griffin. The Griffins will join us having finished serving God's people in their final Call to St. Philips Lutheran Church, Detroit. **Praise Be to God!**

SPECIAL PRESENTATION - We are excited to have speaking to us today Mrs. Izola Gayles of Epiphany, Arlington. Mrs. Gayles, who is now I believe 100 years old, is still full of life and vibrancy, and will share with us her story.

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DEEP INITIATIVE - Finally, today will be our Kick-Off to what's called the DEEP initiative. It's **D**iabetes **E**mpowerment **E**ducation **P**rogram and is designed to improve the overall health outcomes by reducing risk factors for diabetes. The Initiative will be presented during 8 Sessions. We've determined that since our Senior Day activity is already an establish group it would work well to do it there. Therefore, we invite everyone interested to join us on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. The DEEP presentations will take about the first 45 minutes of our time each S D O until completed. Then, of course, we will conclude with our usual games, fun and lunch. The first of these Sessions will be on this coming Maundy Thursday (which is also the re-start date of Senior Day Out). Please also keep in mind that on Maundy Thursday (April 14th) Holy Communion will be served in the Sanctuary during the noon hour.

PRE-EASTER EVENT – Pre-Easter event for children of all ages will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2022 starting at 1:00 p.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. This event will be held outside in the church parking lot. Easter baskets and T-shirts will be given to the participants in the Virtual Easter Program. Sponsored by a Thrivent Action Team.

SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE – Sunrise Easter Service with Holy Communion is this coming Sunday at 6 a.m.

CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL EASTER PROGRAM – Please visit our website on Easter Sunday afternoon and enjoy a recording of our Children's virtual Easter Program.

PORTALS OF PRAYER – Persons interested in getting the large print edition, please let Pastor know.

INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE – I want to strongly encourage our members to visit our website, especially regarding detailed information about our **DEEP Program**, as well as pertinent information regarding this summer's **Black Family Convocation**.

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UKRAINE OFFERING – Our Southern District is requesting support from each of our congregations to make a combined offering towards assisting the Ukrainians. I wish to thank our Board of Elders and the Congregation for submitting a \$200.00 offering from us towards this cause. Let us keep the Ukrainians in prayer.

VIRTUAL SERVICES – Worship services will now be available via Zoom for those of you that are unable to attend the in-person worship services. The following link will be used for every service: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87066538071</u>. The meeting ID is 870 6653 8071. The bulletin for every worship service will be available on the church's website.

PRAYER HOUR – Please join us each Saturday @ 11 a.m. for prayer. Dial 1/681-999-0264; Access Code 391959#. Also, I invite you to go on our website and view our monthly newsletters and other information. On there you will also see a complete listing of prayer requests/concerns.

VERSE OF THE WEEK – Each week there will be a different verse in the bulletin. Members are encouraged to memorize and meditate on the verses.

VERSE OF THE WEEK – I Peter 5:7 (N I V)

"Cast all your anxieties on Him because He cares for you."

"Happy Birthday"

12 th Joan McFadden	14 th Desmond Alsavion Lavelle, Jr.
13 th Gail Morris	15 th Angelica Perkins
14 th Adriunna Barnfield	15 th Harrie Lou Pettaway

Palm Sunday – Dear Lord Jesus, to the praise of the everyday people, You rode into Jerusalem on a lowly donkey. You lived as You spoke every day, demonstrating Your love for us with a humble yet triumphant entrance. You entered Jerusalem to give life, knowing of the sacrifice required. For that we praise You and join the throng singing hosanna in the highest. Thank You, Lord Jesus. **Amen.**