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# PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

March 23, 2024

#### ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**WELCOME** to all who are worshiping with us. If you are a guest, please sign the guest book, including your home address and congregation. We welcome to our altar all those who share our confession of faith within the fellowship of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.

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# PROCESSION

The congregation stands and faces the processional cross.

# 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

- I Let us pray. 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.

### HOLY GOSPEL

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>29</sup> [At that time:] When Jesus drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'"

<sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> And they said, "The Lord has need of it." <sup>35</sup> And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" <sup>39</sup> And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

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

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

- **P** Let us go forth in peace,
- **C** in the name of the Lord.

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" #442

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

# **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.

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.

C Amen.

# COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** 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.

C Amen.

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#### EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" #440, v. 1-3



# HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 27:1-54

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-seventh chapter.

#### Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death. <sup>2</sup>And they bound him and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate the governor.

<sup>3</sup> Then when Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders, <sup>4</sup> saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." They said,

# **G** "What is that to us? See to it yourself."

<sup>5</sup> And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself. <sup>6</sup> But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is blood money." <sup>7</sup> So they took counsel and bought with them the potter's field as a burial place for strangers. <sup>8</sup> Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. <sup>9</sup> Then was fulfilled what had been spoken by the prophet Jeremiah, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by some of the sons of Israel, <sup>10</sup> and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."

<sup>11</sup>Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him,

### **G** "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus said, "You have said so." <sup>12</sup>But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. <sup>13</sup>Then Pilate said to him,

### "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?"

<sup>14</sup>But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

<sup>15</sup>Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. <sup>16</sup>And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. <sup>17</sup>So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" <sup>18</sup>For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. <sup>19</sup>Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream." <sup>20</sup>Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. <sup>21</sup>The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said,

### **C** "Barabbas."

<sup>22</sup>Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said,

#### C "Let him be crucified!"

<sup>23</sup>And he said, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more,

# • "Let him be crucified!"

<sup>24</sup>So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." <sup>25</sup>And all the people answered,

### "His blood be on us and on our children!"

<sup>26</sup>Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

<sup>27</sup>Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. <sup>28</sup>And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup>and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying,

### G "Hail, King of the Jews!"

<sup>30</sup>And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. <sup>31</sup>And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

<sup>32</sup>As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. <sup>33</sup>And when they came to a place called

Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), <sup>34</sup>they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <sup>35</sup>And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. <sup>36</sup>Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. <sup>37</sup>And over his head they put the charge against him, which read,

# **G** "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

<sup>38</sup>Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. <sup>39</sup>And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads <sup>40</sup>and saying,

# You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

<sup>41</sup>So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, <sup>42</sup>"He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup>He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" <sup>44</sup>And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

<sup>45</sup>Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. <sup>46</sup>And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>47</sup>And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." <sup>48</sup>And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup>But the others said,

# "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

<sup>50</sup>And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

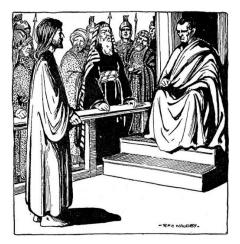
<sup>51</sup>And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. <sup>52</sup>The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, <sup>53</sup>and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. <sup>54</sup>When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said,

# G "Truly this was the Son of God!"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

### NICENE CREED (Printed inside back cover of hymnal)

# SERMON



Jesus stood in front of the governor, [Pilate]. The governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" "Yes, I am," Jesus answered. GOD'S WORD® Translation

# 'YES' AND 'AMEN'

### Sermon Outline

- 1. "God says so." And we say "Yes" and "Amen".
  - a. 1 Timothy 6:12-14 "Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ."
- 2. Jesus made the good confession before Pontius Pilate and the world even though it meant death on the cross.
  - a. Matthew 27:11 "Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so."
- 3. Making the good confession today. Yes and Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

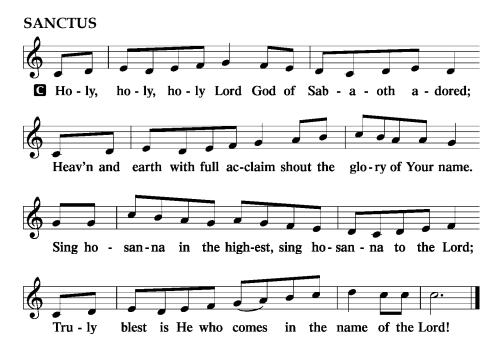
**P** ...let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mercy.

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

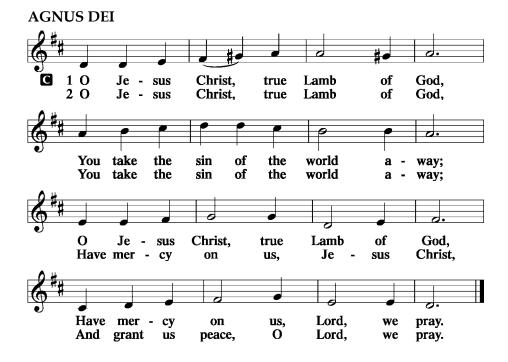


# LORD'S PRAYER

# THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



# DISTRIBUTION

### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# BENEDICTION

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

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.

# **CLOSING HYMN**

#### "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #443



# Holy Week 2024 at Zion Lutheran

# Maundy Thursday Divine Service Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 12:00 p.m. Clearing of the Altar & Psalm 22 (Note - Homemade unleavened bread)



<u>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</u> Friday, March 29th 12:00 pm (This service contains many of the ancient elements of Good Friday including the reading of the Passion, the Bidding Prayer, and the Reproaches.)

Easter Vigil Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> Divine Service with Lord's Supper 5pm



**IN OUR PRAYERS,** we remember Starr Barke, Kristin Bosteels, Vic Bosteels, Katie Jones, Rick Salz, Bill Simmons, Andy Volker, Cindy Volker, and Ken Welch.

#### THIS WEEK AT ZION AND ST. PAUL'S:

TODAY (SATURDAY)	Zion Sunday School	3:45PM
	Zion Service with Holy Communion	5:00PM
SUNDAY	St. Paul's Service with Holy Communion	8:30AM
	St. Paul's Sunday School and Bible class	9:45AM
MONDAY	Zion Bible class	9:00AM
HOLY THURSDAY	Zion Maundy Thursday Divine Service	12:00PM
	St. Paul's Service	7:00PM
GOOD FRIDAY	Zion Good Friday Tenebrae	12:00PM
	(Washburn/Varna) Service at Washburn	7:00PM
	Zion Factor Visil Diving Convice (Communica)	
EASTER SATURDAY	Zion Easter Vigil Divine Service (Communion)	5:00PIVI
EASTER SUNDAY	St. Paul's Easter Breakfast	7:30AM
	St. Paul's Service with Holy Communion	9:00AM

ATTENDANCE last week: 19	Holy Communion: 17	Offering: \$474
Sunday School: 5?	Midweek Lent: 13	Offering: \$300
Monday Bible class: 6		
(Zion needs about \$1,1!	57 in weekly offerings to	cover expenses)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**The Ladies Aid will hold a garage sale** and food stand at Zion during the Wenona spring garage sales on May 3-4. If you have items that you could donate for the sale, please bring them to church any time after April 6. Please help with this event if you are able. We will need to sort and price items before the sale, serve food and sell items on sale days. You may also donate individually wrapped cookies, brownies, or rice Krispie treats for the sale.

**Attention Thrivent members:** Just a reminder that you have until March 31 to direct your 2023 Choice Dollars. Choice Dollars can be directed on-line (<u>www.thrivent.com</u>) or by phone (800-847-4836, saying "Thrivent Choice" when prompted). You can direct these to many different charitable organizations including Zion!

# DOCTRINE FOR THE DAY – THE DAYS OF HOLY WEEK

#### PALM SUNDAY



- 1. The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem
- 2. Weeping over Jerusalem
- 3. Some Greeks Seek Jesus
- 4. Visit to Temple
- 5. (Return to Bethany)

#### MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

- Cursing the Fig Tree
   Cleansing the Temple
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- 3. Priests and Scribes Seek to Destroy Jesus
- 4. Return to Bethany

Mt 21:1-9; Mk 11:1-11; Lk 19:28-44; Jn 12:12-19 Lk:19:41-44 Jn 12:20-36a Mt. 21:14-17; Mk 11:11; Jn 12:36b-43(?)

Mt 21:18-19; Mk 11:12-14 Mt 21:12-13; Mk 11:15-17; Lk 19:45-46 Mk 11:18; Lk 19:47-48 Mk 11:19

#### **TUESDAY / WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

1. Lesson of the Fig Tree	Mt 21:20-22; Mk 11:20-26
2. Teaching in the Temple	Mt 21:23-23:39; Mk 11:27-
	12:44; Lk 20:1-21:4
3. Jesus Foretells the Temple's Destruction	Mt 24:1-2; Mk 13:1-2; Lk 21:5-6
4. The Olivet Discourse	Mt 24:3-25:46; Mk 13:3-37; Lk
	21:7-36
5. Teaching in the Temple	Lk 21:37-38

### (Further Tuesday OR Wednesday)

- 6. Jesus Predicts His Crucifixion
- 7. Priests and Scribes Plot to Kill Jesus
- 8. (Jesus Anointed at Bethany??)
- 9. Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus

Mt 26:1-2 Mt 26:3-5; Mk 14:1-2; Lk 22:1-2 John 12:1-8 Mt 26:14-16; Mk 14:10-11; Lk 22:3-6

# WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Nothing specifically recorded on Wednesday. It was presumably a day of rest unless some of the teaching overlapped to Wednesday as noted above.

### MAUNDY (HOLY) THURSDAY

(All these events overlap into Thursday evening, which is actually early Friday according to their reckoning of days.)

- 1. The Disciples Prepare the Passover Meal
- 2. The Passover Meal (The Last Supper)
- 3. Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial
- 4. Praying at Gethsemane

Mt 26:17-19; Mk 14:12-16; Lk 22:7-13 Mt 26:20-29; Mk 14:17-25; Lk 22:14-38; Jn 13:1-17:26 Mt 26:30-35; Mk 14:26-31; [Lk 2232:34; Jn 13:36-38] Mt 26:36-46; Mk 14:32-42; Lk 22:39-46



#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

1. Jesus Arrested Mt 26:47-56; Mk 14:43-52; Lk 22:47-53; Jn 18:1-12 2. Jesus before Caiaphas Mt 26:69-75; Mk 14:66-72; Lk 22:55-62; Jn 18:13-14,19-24 3. Peter Denies Jesus Mt 26:69-75; Mk 14:66-72; Lk 22:55-62; Jn 18:15-18.25-27 4. Jesus is Mocked 1k 22:63-65 5. Jesus Delivered to Pilate Mt 27:1-2; Mk 15:1, Lk 23:1; Jn 18:28 6. Judas Hangs Himself Mt 27:3-10; [Acts 1:16-19] 7. Jesus before Pilate Mt 27:11-14; Mk 15:2-5; Lk 23:2-5; Jn 18:29-38 8. Jesus before Herod Ik 23:6-17 9. Barabbas Freed Mt 27:15-23; Mk 15:6-15; Lk 23:18-25a; Jn 18:39-40 10. Pilate Has Jesus Scourged Mt 27:26b; Mk 15:15a; Jn 19:1-3 11. Pilate Seeks to Release Jesus Mt 27:24-25; Jn 19:4-15 12. Pilate Hands Jesus Over Mt 27:26; Mk 15:15b; Lk 23:25b; Jn 19:16 13. Soldiers Mock Jesus Mt 27:27-31; Mk 15:16-20; [Jn 19:2]

#### (9am to 6pm)

1. Jesus Is Crucified

Two Thieves Crucified With Him Pilate's Inscription Soldiers Divide Jesus' Garments Jesus Gives His Mother to John The Multitudes Mock Jesus One Thief Prays to Jesus Darkness (from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> hour) Jesus Offered Sour Wine on a Reed 9<sup>th</sup> Hour—Jesus Cries Out Temple Veil Torn Earthquake, Saints Rise from Dead Centurion Glorifies God Soldier Pierces Jesus' Side

Mt 27:32-56; Mk 15:21-41; Lk 23:26-49; Jn 19:17-37



2. Jesus Is Buried

Mt 27:57-61; Mk 15:42-47; Lk 23:50-56a; Jn 19:38-42 Joseph of Arimethea Requests Jesus' Body Centurion Reports Jesus is Dead Joseph Takes Jesus' Body Jesus Placed in New Tomb in Garden Women watch the Burial Tomb Sealed Women Prepare Spices

3. Guard Posted at the Tomb Mt 27:62-66

#### HOLY SATURDAY

Jesus' body rests in the tomb.

#### EASTER SUNDAY (THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD)



#### 1. The Resurrection

Mt 28:1-10; Mk 16:1-9; Lk 24:1-12; Jn 20:1-18

Women Bring Spices to Tomb Angel Appears to the Women Women Run to Tell Disciples Peter and John Run to see Empty Tomb Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene Jesus Appears to the Other Women Women Report to the Disciples

- 2. Guards Report on Jesus Missing
- 3. Jesus Appears to Disciples on Road to Emmaus
- 4. Jesus Appears to Disciples in Upper Room

Mt 28:11-15 Mk 16:12-13; Lk 24:13-35 Lk 24:36-49; Jn 20:19-43