

Feast of Victory Lutheran Church 4400 Mount Hope Rd., Acme, MI 49610 feastofvictory.org 231-938-1070 Sunday, March 24, 2024 Palm/Passion Sunday Holy Communion

PREACHING/PRESIDING MINISTER, PASTOR HALEY VAY BEAMAN ASSISTING MINISTER, CHRISTY PAWLOSKI MUSICIAN, CLIFF KELTO

Worship begins in our gathering space. Please take a palm before the service begins.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

C: Hosanna in the highest.

Processional Gospel Mark 11: 1-11

The gospel for Palm Sunday is from the gospel according to St. Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.' ³They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ®Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. 9Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

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

¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had

looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The gospel of our Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The congregation is invited to raise their branches.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

P:Almighty and loving God...

...in the way that leads to eternal life.

C: Amen.

PROCESSION

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: In the name of Christ. Amen

The procession into the sanctuary begins, congregation follows the Pastor.

GATHERING HYMN: ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR, ELW 344



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.
⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.
⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second 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.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE, ELW 347, V. 1 & 2



AH, HOLY JESUS, ELW 349, V. 1



AH, HOLY JESUS, ELW 349, V. 2



SOLO: Were You There? Moses Hogan, arr.

Haley Vay Beaman, soloist; Cliff Kelto, accompanist

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God.

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition, the words "God of mercy" are said. The congregation responds to these words by saying "Receive our prayer."

SHARING THE PEACE

Mindful of an increase in the spread of respiratory illness this season, you are invited to share a sign of peace from where you are at your seat.

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

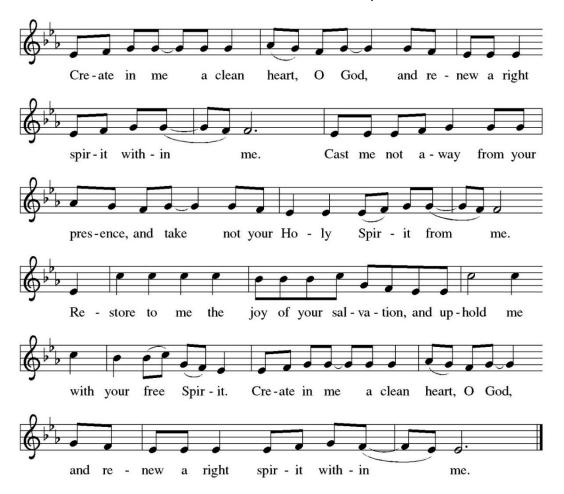
THE OFFERING

The Noisy Offering supports Community Need Fund & Christ-Sudanese Mission Support and we collect Pennies from Heaven for ELCA World Hunger; these are collected in bread pans often by our children serving in worship. Weekly giving may be placed in the round collection plate that is distributed. Thank you for your faithful giving that supports the ministry we share.

OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERTORY:

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, ELW 185



OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

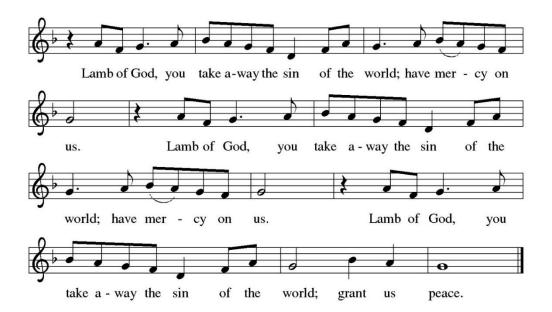
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

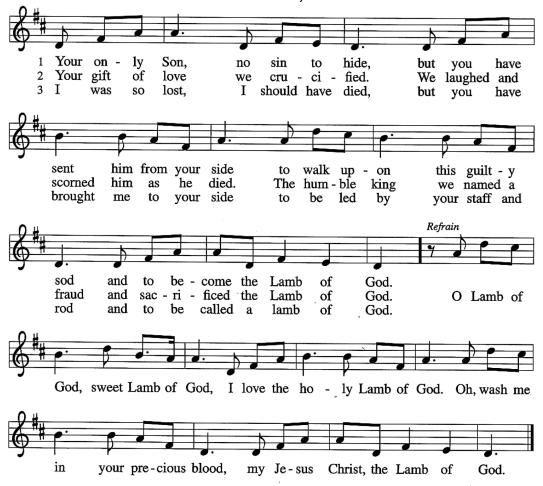
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN: LAMB OF GOD, ELW 336



POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN, ELW 343



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

WELCOME TO FEAST OF VICTORY: If you are a guest, please sign your name and some form of contact info in our Guest Book, located on the wall desk near the office door entrance, and join us for our fellowship time after our worship service so that we can get to know one another. We are glad that you are worshiping with us today either in person or on Zoom. If you would like to speak with our Pastor, schedule a home visit, unite with our congregation, or receive Holy Communion, please contact Pastor Haley Vay in our church office (231-938-1070).

STAY CONNECTED on Facebook @FeastOfVictoryELCA and check out what's happening, ways to get involved, and watch recordings of worship on our website: www.feastofvictory.org. You may also pick up a copy of our Church Newsletter, "Feast Your Eyes" at the welcome table.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated each Sunday. We believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. It is Jesus who serves us, bringing us forgiveness of sins, faith and new life, and hope for eternal life. All are welcome to receive the gift of faith and forgiveness that Jesus offers. Please let the Pastor know if you would prefer gluten-free bread, and if you prefer white grape juice instead of wine.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE: Special time has been set aside after the service for coffee, juice, treats, and conversation. We welcome and encourage you to stay and connect in faith community.

NURSERY AVAILABLE: We have a nursery available for parents and small children. It is located in the last room on the right of the main hallway.

Presiding Minister: Pastor Haley Vay Beaman

Assisting Minister: Christy Pawloski

Acolyte: Caylyn Moglia Musician: Cliff Kelto

Greeters: Dale Claudepierre & Melynda Bagley **Ushers:** Dale Claudepierre & Melynda Bagley

Communion: Kris Hendrickson **AV Operator:** Dale Claudepierre **Coffee Host:** Beaman Family

Counter: Jean Friday

Today's Readers in the Passion Narrative

Narrator – Doug Satow

Chief Priest – Pam Mitchell

Disciples – Dana Beaman **Jesus** – Bradley Beaman

Peter – Tom Hurshman

Judas – David Rudkin

Accuser/Crowd - Rena Rudkin

Servant Girl/Crowd/Soldiers - Caylyn Moglia

Pilate - Denny Bartz

Crowd/Soldiers – Christy Pawloski

Centurion - Matt Pawloski

Holy Week and Easter Worship Schedule

March 28 Maundy Thursday – Worship at 7:00pm

Holy Communion and Stripping the Altar

March 29 Good Friday – Worship at 7:00pm

Tenebrae Service of Light and Darkness

March 31 Resurrection of Our Lord – Worship at 9:30am

Following worship join us for Easter Brunch in the Fellowship Hall

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