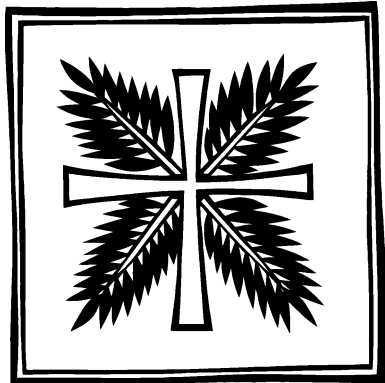


Welcome to online worship! english lutheran

March 24, 2024 | 8:30

Palm Sunday

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Join us in waving palms at home – get creative! Find a handkerchief, a branch from outside, use jazz hands. Worshippers at ELC will process with palms and we invite you to move around with your 'palm' at home!

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome to Worship

Acclamation

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessing of Palms

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

Let us pray ... one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Procession

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Processional Hymn ACS #928 Pave the Way with Branches (end of bulletin)

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.**

Prayer of the Day

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

Young People's Message | Pastor Mark Kvale

Lesson | Isaiah 50:4-9a

¹The 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. ²The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ³I 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. ⁴The 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; ⁵he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. ⁶Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁷It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Lesson | Philippians 2:5-11

¹Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ²who, though he was in the form of God, ³did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁴but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁵he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁶Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ⁷so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ⁸and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



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.

Gospel | Mark 11:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to... **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.’ ” ⁴They 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. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many 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 the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon | Pastor Mark Kvale

Hymn of the Day ELW #344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor (end of bulletin)

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Accompany us on our journey ... through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

Offering

Offering Prayer

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

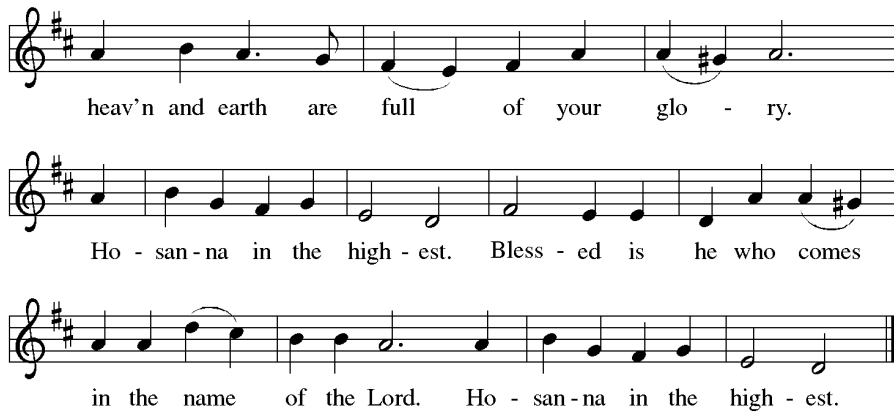
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

Words of Institution

During the Words of Institution, we invite you to raise the bread and the cup respectively as the pastor does. In this way, we are church together.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Adagio



Our Fa - ther, who art - in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name, - Thy
 king - dom come, thy will - be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this
 day our daily - bread, and for give - all of our sins - As we for - give
 those, as Christ for - gave those who sin a - gainst us, - And lead us not
 in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil, for Thine is the
 king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry, for - e - ver, A - men.

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Invitation & Distribution of Communion

Bread for the journey. A fest for hungry hearts. Come!

This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

Lamb of God



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.

Communion Hymns (last pages of bulletin)

ELW #697 Just a Closer Walk with Three | ELW #638 Blessed Assurance

Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Prayer After Communion

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

Special Music | Sunday School Choir

Benediction/Blessing

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Song ELW #336 Lamb of God (end of bulletin)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

WELCOME TO THIS SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION. Lutherans believe that Christ, the Incarnate Word of God, is truly present in the Lord's Supper and that in this meal of the baptized children of God our Lord gives forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. All who seek the mercy and grace of God in this Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus are welcome to the Lord's Table.



THE WHITE ROSE on the altar is in memory of Marjorie Renner, who passed away on Monday, March 18, 2024. May God bless her memory among us all.

WORSHIP SERVICES | Saturdays at 5:00pm, and Sundays at 8:30 & 10:45am.

STAFFED NURSERY | Available on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES | School year at 9:45am on Sundays, throughout the week for all ages.



GIVE ONLINE | Visit englishlutheran.org/onlinegiving, use the QR code, download the Vanco Mobile Faith app, or text an amount (no decimal point or dollar sign) to 855.929.1663.

HUNGRY Jar offerings in March are designated by our 3rd/4th Gr. Sunday School class for The Penguin Project of the La Crosse Community Theatre, which provides children with special needs an opportunity to develop creative skills, build relationships, and star in a fully realized junior Broadway musical production with support from peer mentors.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: In Christ, we welcome, worship and work in the world.

OUR WELCOME STATEMENT: The faith community of English Lutheran Church is rooted in Christ and committed to living life generously.

We celebrate diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, economic status, marital status, physical or mental ability.

We are united in the Holy Spirit as we embrace our differences. We welcome all as we strive to be a community equipped for God's mission in the world.

We invite you to join us as we seek to promote racial equity, social and economic justice, and care for our environment.

Wherever you are on your faith journey, there is a place for you here.

HOLY WEEK
EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday  7:00pm
Good Friday  7:00pm
Vigil of Easter  5:00pm
Easter Sunday  8:30 & 10:45am

Pave the Way with Branches

*Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.

Je - sus is com - ing. Ho - san - na. san - na.

Ho - san - na, Je - sus is com - ing. Ho -

san - na to the Prince of peace. Prince of peace.

*Additional verses ad lib.:

Release for the captives . . .
 Hope for the downtrod . . .
 Land for the landless . . .
 Debts are forgiven . . .

Text: Bret Hesla, b. 1957

Music: PAVE THE WAY, Bret Hesla

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain

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

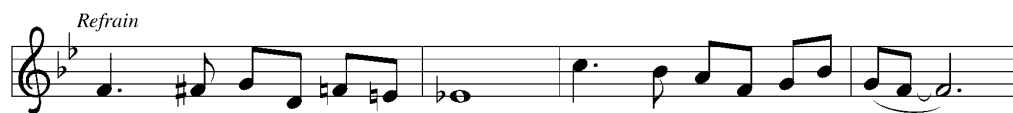
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are 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.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Just a clos-er walk with thee, grant it, Je-sus, is my plea;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.



- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
- 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore.

Text: North American traditional
Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! Oh, what a fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine!
- 2 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav - ior am hap - py and blest,



Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915
Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

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Lamb of God

Your Only Son



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a
brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. God.
rod and to be called a lamb of God.



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me



in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.