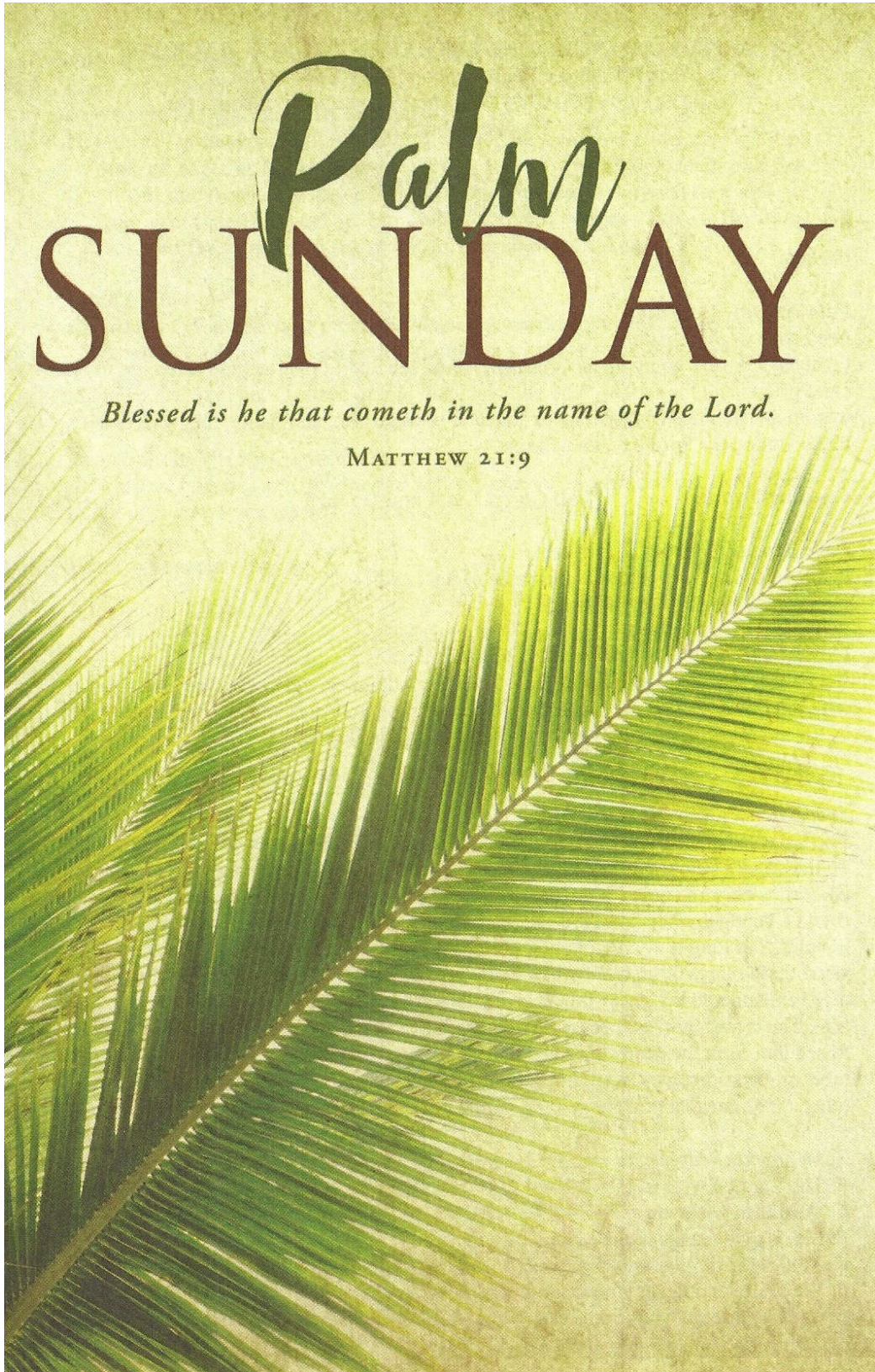


Palm SUNDAY

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

MATTHEW 21:9



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PALM SUNDAY

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Prelude

Palm Sunday Procession

Prediction of the Passion

P: Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem... And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, who will condemn him to death... And they will hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock him and scourge him, and finally, they will crucify him... But on the third day, he will rise.

Opening Hymn

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Insert

Palm Sunday Greeting & Prayer

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

C: Hosanna to the Son of David!

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy this day upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Processional Gospel Reading from John 12:12-19

The large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, “Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Palm Sunday Intro 2018 Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

Palm Sunday Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy

city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. Let our lives truly bless the Messiah, who comes in the name of the Lord, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King, following our Savior with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pause for self-examination.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer...imploring your grace for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ.

C: Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen

Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie

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

C: And also with you.

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

P: For the Peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have sent your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all of humanity should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Psalm 118:19-29

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness;*

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

²⁰“**This is the gate of the Lord;***

he who is righteous may enter.”

²¹I will give thanks to you, for you answered me*

and have become my salvation.

²²**The same stone which the builders rejected***

has become the chief cornerstone.

²³This is the Lord’s doing,*

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴**On this day the Lord has acted;***

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵Hosannah, Lord, hosannah!*

Lord, send us now success.

²⁶**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;***

we bless you from the house of the Lord.

²⁷God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;*

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸“**You are my God, and I will thank you;***

you are my God, and I will exalt you.”

²⁹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;*

his mercy endures forever.

Second Reading**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 emptied himself, by 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.

Gospel Acclamation

P: Please rise for the reading of the gospel.

C: Return to the Lord, our God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

P: The Holy Gospel According to **St. Mark 11:1-11**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!" And 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.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Song

"The Royal Banners Go Forward"

Insert

Nicene Creed

P: Join me as we confess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: 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, one of Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 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 and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and Son, He is worshiped and glorified. He 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 life of the world to come. Amen

Prayers of the Faithful

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

We continue to pray for the following:

Youth Ministry; 20/30s Ministry; Adult Education Classes:

Adult Classes on Sunday, Confession Clas, Adult Bible Study 1

Chuck Cederman	Harold Haseley	Lester Walck	Carol Harbart
Britt Gamache	Mark Lendway	Alice Lange	Shane
Lori Haseley (St. James)		Nancy Thorstad	

Serving in the Military

Nate Allen	James Garavaglia	Jillian Kelkenberg	Phillip Messina
Seth Spitler	Ben Thorstad	Justin DeVantier	Jeremy Ditto
N.F. Air Base			

Those in nursing homes and shut-ins

Edna Walck	Paul Greinert	Nora Hingle	Marge Kordzikowski
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Sharing of Christ's Peace

Offering of Gifts

P: Blessed are you,

C: 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 the redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: 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

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join in their unending hymn.

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

P: We pray as Jesus taught us, Our Father,

C: who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

C: Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Holy Communion

All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace; your
word has been ful-filled. My own eyes have seen the sal -
va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry
peo - ple: A light to re - veal you to the na -
tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Glo-ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly
Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men

P: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

P: Now may the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn

“Lift High the Cross”

Insert

Postlude

**GO IN PEACE AND REMEMBER HIS SACRIFICE.
WE SHALL REMEMBER HIS SACRIFICE.**

WELCOME to St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are glad to have you join us to worship today. We invite you to join us each Sunday at 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. If you would like to request a meeting or arrange a visit from Pastor Tom, please call the his office at 731-4433 or his cell phone 990-6244.

In memory of Melvin Pfohl, “Always a Party/Abby’s Loft Florist” has donated the palms for today’s services! We thank them for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

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