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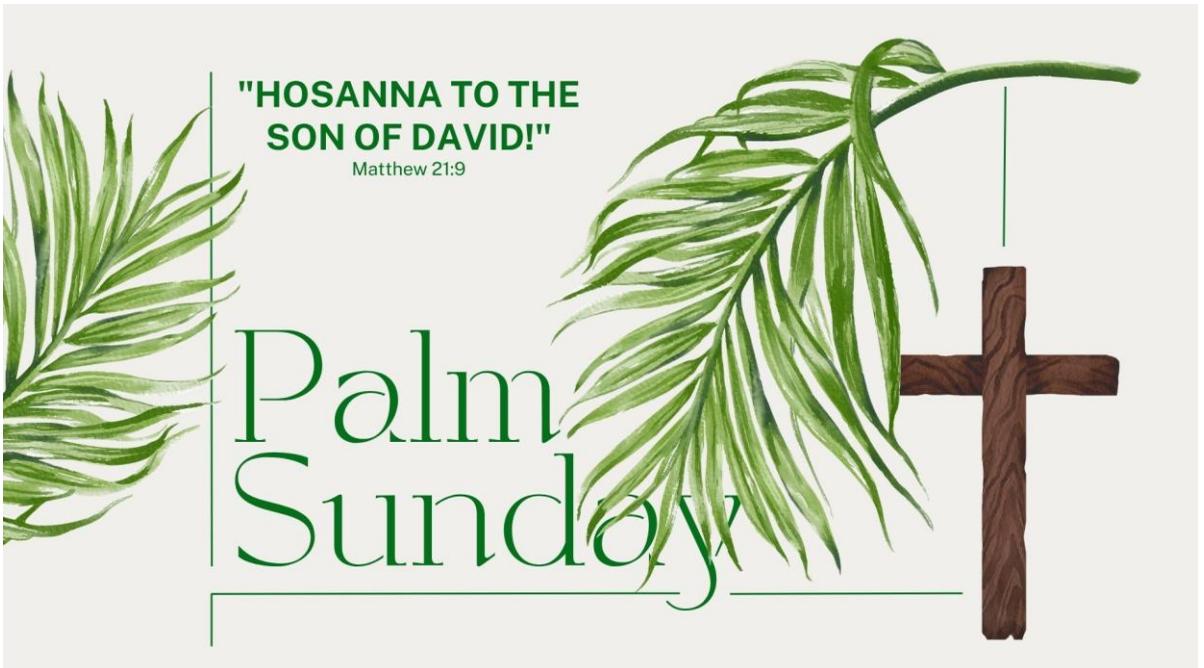
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March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday



✠ Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 24 (Lutheran Service Book or Pew Bible) ✠

## **Palm Sunday Greeting and Prayer:** (Pastor)

**P** Brothers and sisters in Christ, We begin our Holy Week and our Palm Sunday worship in the name of the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. On this special day we enter into Jesus' presence with palms and hosannas, as the people did on that first Palm Sunday. We will lay our palm branches around this altar and before Christ's cross, remembering that this was the reason He entered Jerusalem triumphantly on that Palm Sunday—to win that victory for us over sin and death by His own death on that cross.

We pray:

**P** Dear Jesus, All of our worship and meditation during this season of Lent has pointed us to this week, which we call Holy Week. As we celebrate how You entered to the welcome of palms and hosannas, we also remember Your death, which gives us life, and Your resurrection, through which we will dwell with You for all eternity. Bless us in our worship today and fill our hearts with joy and praise as we sing and speak our "Hosannas" to You today, and throughout our lives. In Your name we pray, dear Savior and King.

**C Amen.**

### ***We gather outside for the procession with palms.***

✠ Please pick up a palm branch from our confirmation students in the entryway and gather outside in front of our church building.

## **Procession with Palms**

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

**C And also with you.**

**P** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C Hosanna to the Son of David!**

**P** We pray:

**C O God, through Your prophets You foretold our King's coming. We give You thanks for fulfilling Your Word, and we pray that You would use these palms to remind us of the day Jesus entered Jerusalem. Bless us who bear them, and grant that we may rejoice in His salvation in the heavenly Jerusalem. We pray this through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Responsive Reading: Psalm 118:19-29

**P** Open to me the gates of righteousness, I will go through them,  
and I will praise the LORD.

**C** **This is the gate of the LORD; through which the righteous shall enter.**

**P** I will praise You, for You have answered me, and have become my salvation.

**C** **The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

**P** This was the LORD'S doing;

**C** **It is marvelous in our eyes.**

**P** This is the day the LORD has made;

**C** **we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**P** Save us, we pray [Hebrew: "Hosanna"], O Lord!

**C** **O Lord, we pray, give us success!**

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

**C** **We have blessed You from the house of the LORD.**

**P** God is the LORD, and He has given us light;

**C** **Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.**

**P** You are my God, and I will praise You;

**C** **You are my God; I will exalt You.**

**P** Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

**C** **for His mercy endures forever!**

**P** This is the Word of our Lord.

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

**P** Let us go forth in peace

**C** **In the name of the Lord.**

# Processional Hymn: 444 *No Tramp of Soldiers Marching Feet*

LSB 444

*We sing while re-entering the sanctuary.*

*We place our palms around the edge of the altar area and return to our seats.*

*Children's choir: Please remain up front after placing your palm branches.*



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet  
2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;  
3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;  
4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake



With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's  
With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the  
The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but  
The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"  
cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.  
on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.  
form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride  
A - stride a colt He pass - es by  
The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,  
Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing  
As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y  
The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the  
Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

## Children's Song: "Sing Hosanna"

Sing Hosanna to him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest!  
Sing Hosanna to him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes, Comes in the name, Comes in the name of the Lord!

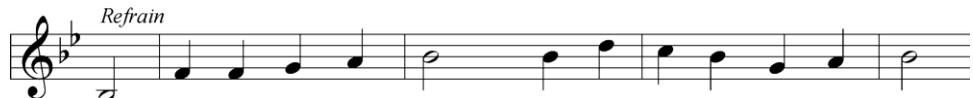
## Confession and Absolution

*We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

- P** Blessed Lord, who always comes among Your people for our good,  
**C** **We confess to You that we are sinful by nature,  
and both by nature and choice have turned away from You.  
We have enthroned self-interest and pride as our kings,  
and they have ruled us as tyrants.  
We have failed to acknowledge Your rightful Lordship in our lives.  
Forgive us for Jesus' sake, and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
turn our hearts this day to worship and follow Jesus,  
the one true King of kings and Lord of lords.**
- P** Jesus, our King, has won your freedom. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins.  
In the joy and peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

### Hymn 442 v. 1-2 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*Refrain*



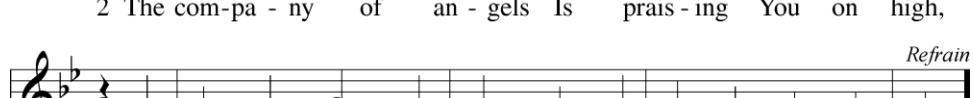
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,



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 Is prais - ing You on high,



*Refrain*

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.  
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.

## First Reading

## Zechariah 9:9-10 (EHV)

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!  
Look! Your King is coming to you. He is righteous and brings salvation.  
He is humble and is riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
<sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the horse from Jerusalem.  
The battle bow will be taken away, and he will proclaim peace to the nations.  
His kingdom will extend from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.

## Second Reading

## Philippians 2:5-11 (EHV)

**P** The second reading is from Philippians 2:5-11.

**G Sanctify us by Your truth, O LORD. Your Word is truth!**

<sup>5</sup> Indeed, let this attitude be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. <sup>6</sup> Though he was by nature God, he did not consider equality with God as a prize to be displayed, <sup>7</sup> but he emptied himself by taking the nature of a servant. When he was born in human likeness, and his appearance was like that of any other man, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**P** Here ends our Scripture readings.

## Hymn 442 v. 3, 5 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,

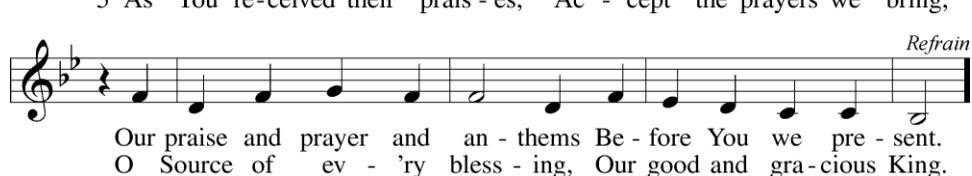


To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;  
5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,



*Refrain*



Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

## **Confession of Faith - Formula of Concord, Epitome: VIII** *We boldly confess what we believe.*

**☒ Our doctrine, faith, and confession is as follows:**

**The divine and human natures in Christ are personally united.**

**So there are not two Christs, one the Son of God  
and the other the Son of Man.**

**But one and the same person is the Son of God and Son of Man....**

**So we believe, teach, and confess that Mary conceived and bore  
not merely a man and no more, but God's true Son....**

**We also believe, teach, and confess that it was not a mere man who suffered,  
died, and was buried, descended into hell, rose from the dead, ascended into  
heaven, and was raised to God's majesty and almighty power for us.**

**But it was a man whose human nature has such a profound, indescribable  
union and communion with God's Son that it is one person with Him....**

**We believe, teach, and confess that the Son of Man really is exalted.**

**He is (in deed and truth) exalted according to His human nature  
to the right hand of God's almighty majesty and power...**

**Christ is and remains to all eternity God and man in one undivided person.**

**Next to the Holy Trinity, this is the highest mystery,  
upon which our only consolation, life, and salvation depends.**

## **Hymn of the Day: 441 *Ride on, Ride on in Majesty***

*LSB 441*

**Children's Sermon** - *Children 10 years old and younger are invited to come up front.*

## **Sermon Text: Matthew 21:1-11 (NKJV)**

<sup>1</sup> Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. <sup>3</sup> "And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." <sup>4</sup> All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: <sup>5</sup> "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.' "

<sup>6</sup> So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. <sup>8</sup> And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' Hosanna in the highest!" <sup>10</sup> And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup> So the multitudes said, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee."

## **Sermon Theme: "Hosanna to the Son of David!"**

- † What does "**Hosanna**" mean?
  
- † How does Zechariah's prophecy from our Old Testament reading help explain what exactly was going on with this unusual scene on Palm Sunday with Jesus riding triumphantly into Jerusalem on a young donkey ("**a colt**").  
**(see Zechariah 9:9)**
  
- † In what ways can we "lay down our palm branches" and "lay down our garments," so to speak, before our Savior and King in our daily lives?

## **Offertory**

LSB 956



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion;  
and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

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## **Hymn: "The King of Glory Comes"**

548 CW21

(Music and lyrics on back page of the bulletin - p. 15)

**Offering** *We offer our gifts to the Lord, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him.*

**Palm Sunday Prayer** *We bring our prayers to God.*

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

(a time of silence for personal meditation and prayer)

**P** That the humility of our Lord's suffering and death bring forth in us the fruits of faith and renewed faithfulness for us and for all who hear His Word today, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That the sufferings of Christ in our place not only strengthen us in faith but give us courage to proclaim His salvation to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That the wounds of the sick, the suffering, the grieving, and the dying find healing in the wounds of Christ our Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That Jesus' gracious humility in giving us His righteousness as our baptismal clothing and His flesh and blood as our spiritual food equip us with all that we need to do the good works of faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That by His gracious example of humility unto death we learn humility of faith, repent of our sin and unrighteousness, and learn to delight in His will and walk in His ways all the days of our lives, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That the Lord receive the offerings we bring, with the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as testament of our faith and as sign of our gratitude, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That the Lord bless His Church, those who minister in His name, and all the baptized people of God in their vocations of worship, witness, intercession, and service, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That God visit His grace to us and to all nations, that we may have good leaders and that we may be good citizens, until the day we join the saints before the Lord in His eternal city, where He has prepared for us an everlasting place, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus, Who also taught us to pray:

## **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.**

**Benediction** *The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

**Closing Hymn: 443 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*** (please stand for the last verse)

LSB 443

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## **Announcements**



**Welcome!** We welcome all our visitors this morning.  
Please sign our guest book and come worship with us again soon.

Today: *Palm Sunday*  
3/29/26 **Choir – 8am**  
**Worship – 9am**  
**Sunday School & Bible Class – 10:15am**  
**Sunday School Teachers' Meeting – 11:15am**

This Week: *Holy Week*  
Thursday – **Maundy Thursday Worship w/ Communion – 6:30pm**  
Friday – **No School at MLS** (Easter Break – School Resumes Tues. 4/22)  
**Good Friday Tenebrae Service – 8pm**

Church Cleaning: Team #3 (3/28-4/3); Team #4 (4/4-4/10)



Sunday: *Easter Sunday – Resurrection Day*  
4/5/26 **Worship – 9am**  
**Easter Brunch – 10:15am**

**In Your Mailbox** – Messiah Calendar – *April*



**Remembrance Lilies for Easter Sunday** - We would like to decorate the altar with lilies on Easter Sunday in celebration of Christ's resurrection and in memory of loved ones who have died in the Lord and who, in light of Christ's resurrection, will surely rise again in glory at His return. If you would like to provide a lily in memory of a loved one, let Pastor know and he will include the names in the Easter bulletin.

### **Maundy Thursday Worship w/ Communion – Thurs. 4/2 @ 6:30pm –**



Please join us for our Maundy Thursday worship service with communion this week at **6:30pm** as we commemorate the night our Savior instituted the Lord's Supper. Note: We will not have communion on Easter Sunday (the first Sunday in April). Instead, it will be offered on Maundy Thursday (4/2) and in our Sunday worship service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in April (4/12).

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service – Fri. 4/3 @ 8pm** – On Good Friday we will hold our customary tenebrae service. Tenebrae is a Latin term meaning “shadows, darkness.” This service is an ancient form of worship dating from the fourth century. The tone is very somber as candles are extinguished, and the sanctuary is gradually darkened to remind worshippers of the three hours of darkness which blanketed the earth during Christ's crucifixion as He suffered the punishment of being forsaken by God for our sins. The darkness of Good Friday prepares us for the brilliant dawning of Easter. The Good Friday tenebrae begins at **8:00 p.m.**



### **Easter Brunch Sign-Up Sheets – Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> –**

Sign-up sheets for food donations and for men to volunteer for cooking and serving are on the cupboard doors in the entryway. Easter Sunday is **April 5<sup>th</sup>**.

### **Church Council Meeting Highlights from Thurs. 3/26 –**

- A proposed bylaw regarding the council's spending authority will be presented for approval at the upcoming voters meeting.
- Bulletin reporting of offerings and church finances, and the appropriate frequency and detail of reporting, were discussed.
- The council reviewed a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2026/27.

**Podium Available for Free** – We have recently purchased a new mobile teaching stand/podium for our lower grade classroom and are no longer in need of the old one. It is available for anyone who could make use of it. It is in the Activity Room currently if you'd like to take a look at it. (See photo on the right.)



**CLC Call News** - Pastor Michael Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, has **received** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC, has **received** the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI. <> Teacher Noah Ohlmann of Grace Ev. Lutheran School, Valentine, NE, has **returned** the call to teach grades 3-4 and serve as associate principal at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL, →

has **received** the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ. <> Teacher Lane Fischer of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN, has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

**ILC Dorm Supervisor Needed** - Jaqi Bredehoft will be resigning as girls dorm supervisor at the end of this school year. We thank her for her faithful service to the LORD and for being such a positive role model to our dorm students. ILC is accepting applicants for this position to begin the 2026-27 school year. This role is vital to our campus, given how dorm supervisors provide spiritual counsel and a fatherly or motherly role to those students who are living away from home. Females who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position may contact ILC President Daniel Schierenbeck ([dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu/660.864.9231](mailto:dan.schierenbeck@ilc.edu/660.864.9231)) for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. An application is available online at [ilc.edu](http://ilc.edu) > Forms and Applications > ILC Employment Application. Review of applications begins April 15.

**Immanuel High School Visitors Day** - Immanuel Lutheran High School in Eau Claire, WI will host their annual High School Visitors Day on Friday, May 1, 2026 for students grades 7 and up. An invitation letter, schedule of events, and online registration can be found at [www.ilc.edu](http://www.ilc.edu). Please register students and chaperones by Friday, April 24. A theater performance of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* will take place on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm. The Immanuel Band will perform before the play on Friday at 7:00 pm, and student talent performances will take place Saturday at 7:00 pm. Performances are free and open to the public. For more information regarding ILHS Visitors Day, please contact Prof. Matt Thurow ([matt.thurow@ilc.edu](mailto:matt.thurow@ilc.edu) 612-516-1177) For general questions regarding the high school program, please contact the high school principal, Prof. Joel Gullerud ([joel.gullerud@ilc.edu](mailto:joel.gullerud@ilc.edu) 715-544-8446).

**Visitors Day Links:**

[Visitors Day Registration Form](#)

[Visitors Day Schedule](#)

[Visitors Day Invitation Letter](#)

**CLC Youth Camp – Registration Still Open!** - "Hello everyone! We are still looking for some spots to be filled for both CLC Youth Camp for those going into 6-9th grade and Pre-Camp for those going into K-5th grade. We would love to have you for a week of Christ centered fellowship and fun! You can find the sign-up sheet on our website found at: <https://youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp/register>. Sign-up quick before it fills up! Please, feel free to email us with any questions at [youthcamp.clc@gmail.com](mailto:youthcamp.clc@gmail.com)."

-CLC Youth Camp Directors, Ethan Sydow and Riley Naumann.

## Bible Readings:

3/29	Deut. 32:36-39 Psalm 31 Phil. 2:5-11 Luke 23:1-56
3/30	2 Sam. 19:1-23 Psalm 87 Philemon 1-25
3/31	2 Sam. 19:24-43 Psalm 88 Heb.1:1-7
4/1	2 Sam. 20 Psalm 89 Heb. 1:8-14
4/2	Ex. 12:1-14 Psalm 116 1 Cor. 11:23-32 John 13:1-17
4/3	Isaiah 53 Psalm 22 Heb. 4:14-16, 5:7-9 John 19:17-30
4/4	2 Sam. 21 Psalm 90 Heb. 2:1-9



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## April Ushers

Josh Serba  
Erik Nelson  
David Traub

### April Slideshow

Alex Saunders

## Cleaning Team

4/4-4/10

### Team 4

J/B Albrecht  
P. Gurath  
J/E Marita  
T/G Quade  
P. Reim

## Fruits of Faith

### Last Week:

### To Date:

Budgetary Offerings:	\$5,878.66	\$293,450.64
Budgetary Needs:	\$8,642.65	\$337,133.35
Over (Under) Budget:	(\$2,763.99)	(\$43,682.71)
ILCSAF:	\$100.00	\$1,000.00
MSAF:	\$25.00	\$925.00
MDF:	\$60.00	\$975.00
ILC Building Fund:	\$25.00	\$1,689.87
Piano Fund:	\$35.00	\$7,174.75

**Attendance Last Week (3/22): 134**

**Wednesday Lent # 6 (3/25): 56**

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# "The King of Glory Comes"

548 CW21

The King of glo - ry comes; the na - tion re - joic - es.

O - pen the gates be - fore him; lift up your voic - es.

1 Who is the King of glo - ry? How shall we call him?  
2 In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,

*Refrain*  
He is Im - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.  
he goes a - mong his peo - ple, cur - ing their ill - ness.

3 He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation;  
he took upon himself the sin of the nations.  
*Refrain*

4 He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen,  
and he will share with us his heavenly vision.  
*Refrain*

\* *Tempo may gradually increase with each successive verse.*

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