

**Sunday Worship**

**April 13, 2025**

**Palm Sunday**



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## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

## INTRODUCTION

*Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him. Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced; instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death. We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Ride On, Ride On, In Majesty*

Arr: Powell

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

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

## GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE 19:28-40

After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup>When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup>They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power 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 heaven!" <sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

**BLESSING OF THE PALMS** *(The congregation raises their palm branches.)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**HYMN Red hymnal #344**

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

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

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

**GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . .

C: **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**

**CHANCEL CHOIR** Director Bill Jones      *On a Hill Far Away (The Old Rugged Cross)*  
Composer: George Bennard

## THE WORD

### READING: Philippians 2:5-11

R: <sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <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 should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #264 (vs. 1)

C: **Prepare the royal highway; the King of Kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story:  
Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's Word!**

### HOLY GOSPEL Luke 23:1-49

*Pastor will read the Gospel*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

**SERMON** Pastor Jaren Summers

**HYMN** Red hymnal #350

*They Crucified My Lord*

## RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

### APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 again 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 *(Response after each petition)*

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer . . .

### OFFERING—Invitation—God's Work Continues

### OFFERTORY SONG Red hymnal #186 - from Psalm 51:10-12



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

### COMMUNION PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

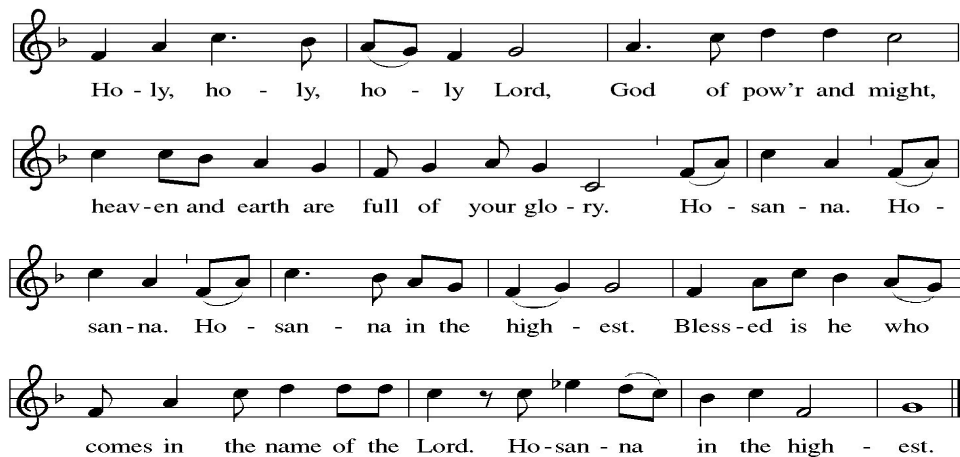
C: **We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God...(The pastor continues with the proper preface for the day)...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

## SANCTUS Red hymnal page 144 - from Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. 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 - from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

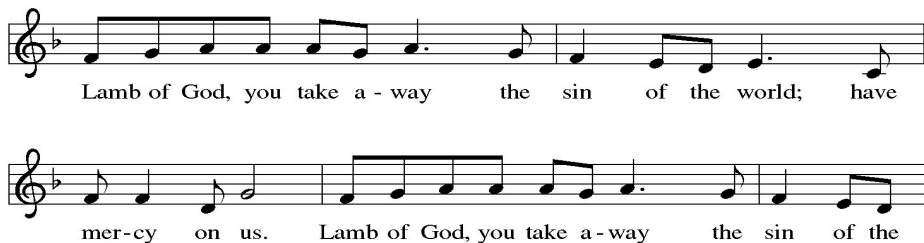
### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

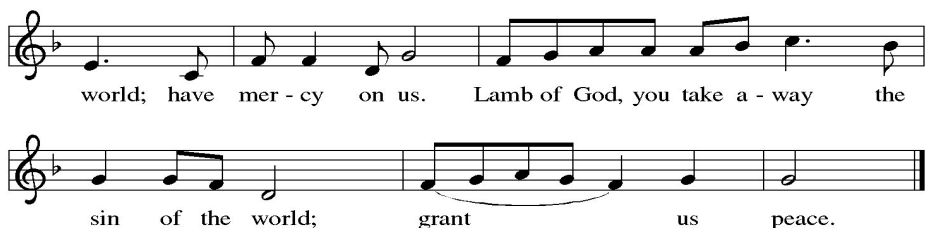
### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)*

## LAMB OF GOD Red Hymnal page 146 - from John 1:29



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



## BLESSING

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, +  
bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN Purple hymnal #930

*Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now*

## DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: **The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:  
"Serving Christ through serving others."**

P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land*

Arr: Nelson

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God  
by Kim and Bill Jones in celebration of their new grandson, Griffin Clenney.*

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted  
using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.*

## In Helpful Service

Acolyte	Jason Schlater
Pastor	Jaren Summers
Reader	Christine Schlater
Communion Assist	Doug Jacobs
Ushers	Beth and MacKenzie Ferryman
Greeters	Melanie & Dave Bischoff
Bell Ringer	Youth Sunday School

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST & EGG HUNT—TODAY after Service

#### APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH: *A Little Kindness*

We will be collecting items for ***Little Kindness*** during the month of April. Pam Hale (sister of Terri Darrah) heads up this non-profit which provides Chemotherapy Care Bags through *Pink Ribbon Girls* to local hospitals and churches. Pam's motto is "Never underestimate the power of a kind word or deed." Please take one or two eggs from the Easter basket in the narthex. Purchase the item(s) and return them to the mission box by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please write it out to *Women of Zion*. Any questions contact Deb Keppel.

**WE NEED YOUR PICTURE FOR THE CHURCH ROSTER** The Communications/ Welcoming Committee is working on creating a church roster for all members which will have names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and **pictures!** We hope to update the roster a couple of times a year so that current information is available for all members of Zion. The roster will be printed on pages stapled together and will replace the loose leaf notebooks we currently use. If you have a current photograph of you and your family (if you have children), please email the picture to the church office at [office@ziontippecity.org](mailto:office@ziontippecity.org) or place the photograph in Deb Keppel's mailbox. We will return the photo to you after we scan it. *We can also take your picture before or after service in the next few weeks. Deb Keppel or Jill Greer will be taking pictures in the Fellowship Hall.*

**BIBLE & BREW** This Tuesday, **April 15th - 5:30 - 6:30** Bible & Brew will meet at Chaffee's Brewhouse for diverse conversations and theological discussions in a relaxed setting. These gatherings are **open to everyone!** Chaffee's offers a selection of craft beers, coffees, a variety of other alcoholic and non-alcoholic Beverages. Dinner is not served but you can bring in food.

#### CHURCH LAWN MOWING

A sign-up poster is available for those who can help with the **Zion lawn mowing** If you have any questions, please contact Bob Keppel at 689-3892. See Bob for the garage key.

#### Staff

Jaren Summers, *Pastor*; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*;  
Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jessica Dorn, *Christian Education Director*;  
Annette Calicoat, *Office Admin*; Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer*;  
Tina Putnam, *Custodian*



## THIS WEEK AT ZION

<b>Sunday, April 13</b>	<b>After Service</b> 5:00 pm	<b>Pancake Breakfast &amp; Egg Hunt</b> <b>Women of Zion</b>
<b>Monday, April 14</b>	10:30 am 3:30 pm 6:30 pm	Mission Quilts TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Scouts
<b>Tuesday, April 15</b>	10:00 am 5:30 pm 8:00 pm	Mission Quilts <b>Bible &amp; Brew - Chaffee's</b> AA
<b>Wednesday, April 16</b>	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, April 17</b>	7:00 pm	<b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>
<b>Friday, April 18</b>	7:00 pm	<b>Good Friday Service</b>

### **Easter Sunday Services**

Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 a.m.

# HOLY WEEK

