



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Palm / Passion Sunday



WORSHIP BOOKLET

PRELUDE

John Cribb

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

When [Jesus and his disciples] had come near Jerusalem
and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives,
Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you,
and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her;
untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this,
‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.”

This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,
“Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;
they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them,
and he sat on them.

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road,
and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,
“Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking,
“Who is this?”

The crowds were saying,
This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

GATHERING All Glory, Laud and Honor #344 (red hymnal, rear section)

REFRAIN:

**All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer king,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the king of Israel and David’s royal Son,
now in the Lord’s name coming, our King and Blessed One. REFRAIN**

**The company of angels are praising you on high;
creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. REFRAIN**

**The multitude of pilgrims with psalms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. REFRAIN**

**To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
REFRAIN**

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

Let us pray together... 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.

A Reading of Jesus' Passion: Matthew 26:14 to 27:66

Distribution of Holy Communion

A Continuation of the Passion Reading

HYMN Go to Dark Gethsemane. #347 (red hymnal, rear section)

**Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see. Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.**

**Follow to the judgment hall, view the Lord of Life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.**

**Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete.
"It is finished!" hear him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.**

A Continuation of the Passion Reading

Hymn My Song is Love Unknown #343 (red hymnal, rear section)

**My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I that for my sake, my Lord should take frail flesh and die?**

**He came from his blest throne, salvation to bestow;
the world that was his own would not its Savior know.
But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!**

**Sometimes we strew his way and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day hosannas to our king.
Then "Crucify!" is all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.**

**We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made away,
a murderer to save, the prince of life to slay.
Yet cheerful he to suffering goes that he his foes from thence might free.**

**In life, no house, no home my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was his home but mine the tomb wherein he lay.**

**Here might I stay and sing - no story so divine!
Never was love, dear King never was grief like thine.
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend!**

The Conclusion of the Passion Reading

Hymn Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless #357 (red hymnal, rear section)

**Lamb of God, pure and sinless, once on the cross an offering,
patient, lowly guiltless, forsaken in your suffering:
from sin's grasp you have torn us,
from gloom to hope have borne us.
Grant us your mercy, O Jesus.
(2 times)**

**Lamb of God, pure and sinless, once on the cross an offering,
patient, lowly guiltless, forsaken in your suffering:
from sin's grasp you have torn us,
from gloom to hope have borne us.
Your peace be with us, O Jesus. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Save your church, O God. Enable us to boldly confess in every time and place that Jesus Christ is Lord. With the humility of a servant, equip congregations, synods, and other ministry settings to proclaim your extravagant love for all. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Save your creation, O God. Every living being you have made has purpose. Give us renewed appreciation of farm animals who labor in the fields, service animals who accompany their human companions, and beloved pets who live alongside us. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Save the peoples of the earth, O God. Restore dignity to those who are scorned and persecuted for their religious beliefs or political activism, and deliver them from the hand of their enemies. Bring peace to places where conflict runs deep, especially, now, the United States of America. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Save those who cry to you in any need, O God. Watch over all who are incarcerated or awaiting trial, and stand with those who are unjustly accused. Be present with those feeling isolated, lonely, or fearful, or otherwise in need of our prayers, especially,

- Family of Ryan Loomis - Cindy Haener's nephew who died in an auto accident in Arizona
- Mike Lorenzo - Back pain
- Ina Davenport - recent fall
- Linda Hermann - mother-in-law of Katie Edson's daughter, leukemia
- Diane Williams - recovering from intestinal issues
- John Cribb - death of his father in South Carolina
- Gary & Eileen Orback whose home was damaged in the storm
- Betty Johnson - recovering from infection and blood clot while undergoing chemotherapy
- Jennifer Kurrle - adjusting to new medications
- Aaron Brochtrup - starting physical therapy to treat lower back
- Janelle Muff -Healing after surgery and blood clot
- Sally Mingo, Jennifer Kurrle's mother - knee injury
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas - continuing to make progress in recovery
- Linda Luke - to gain weight and strength
- Jim Luke - supporting Linda's recovery
- Becky Padilla- responding well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- James Hecker- ongoing abdominal pain
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Darel and Betty Sorenson - Betty remains in nursing care on Hospice
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting COVID
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing and protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them
- Joe Rice and Janelle Muff who celebrate their birthdays this week

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Save us in your love, O God. Guide the work of church musicians, pastors, choirs, readers, deacons, technicians, acolytes, and all who assist in worship. Sustain them in their leadership as they accompany congregations through this Holy Week. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We ask again, O God, for your comfort, care and provision for others who are on our hearts, especially...

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

BLESSING

God, the giver of love, ✝ Christ, the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

O Sacred How Wounded

John Cribb

Thank you to:

- **Joyce Bauer** for assisting in worship.
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- **Sophia and Janet Lorenzo**, for tending to our inside property.
- **Ken Brocks, Dan Sperow, Andrew Jacoby, and Gary Brochtrup** for their handyman work.

Events this week:

- Today we are finishing our **Lent Collection for the people served by Iglesia Luterana de Santa Cruz**. You may place food and other donations in the “beach bags” for the disciples to take down south at the end of the season! They will be doing so on this Thursday.
- **The discussion group on The Chosen** will meet next on Sunday, April 16th at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Please convey to Pastor Brian anybody you are inviting to join us!
- **Bible Study** will take place on Wednesday, April 5th at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.
- There will not be any more mid-week soup suppers this year.
- **Holy Week** services will be as follows:
 - **Palm/Passion Sunday** – Sunday, April 2nd, 10:00 am
 - **Maundy Thursday** – Thursday, April 6th, 6:00 pm
 - **Good Friday** – Friday, April 7th, 6:00 pm
 - **Easter Sunday** – Sunday, April 9th, 10:00 am
- **Today** we having a potluck brunch in the fellowship hall after worship. All are welcome to come and eat and have fellowship!
- Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to **start receiving his weekly emails**.
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**Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events:
morrobaylutherans.org**