

## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 9am-1pm Email: stpaulwa@hickorytech.net

#### Mission Statement

"Empowered by God's Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people."

#### Vision Statement

"We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community,

and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and

teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ."

## SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER - MAY)

- ⊕ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
  - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- ⊕ Sunday School: 10:15 am and Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Michael J. Grannis Mobile Phone: 952-686-3046 Email: revgrannis@gmail.com

- Nursery available: For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the old Parish Hall). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service.
- Today's service broadcast can be found on **KOWZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM**; or **Live Streaming on Facebook for your convenience.**
- Lutheran Hour: The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:05 AM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- Sunday School: We will meet every Sunday at 10:15am in the Parish Hall for snacks, and then go downstairs for music and a lesson.
  - WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE! If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty prior to the church service. Thank you.
  - Preparing for Holy Communion, please refer to the section in the bulletin "Service of the Sacrament".
  - Individual or Family Pastoral Care: Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.
  - The Handicap Entrance construction will resume soon, anyone wishing to contribute to this project should write Handicap Entrance on their envelopes. Thank you
- 29er's Will meet March 27th at 11:30am at Pizza Ranch. See you then!!
- Please join the GREAT VIGIL of EASTER March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Janesville.
- Easter Community Dinner information located on the Bulletin Board by elevator.
- Today is the last day to purchase Easter Lillys and Tulips. Each are \$15.00. See Kathy before and after church.
- CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> in observation of Good Friday.



Wyatt R. Arndt: Colossians 3:17

Ton A. Bethke: 1st John 1:7

## The Son of David Ascends His Throne and Reigns in Love from His Cross

The Son of David comes in gentle humility, "sitting on a donkey's colt," yet as the King of Israel "in the name of the Lord" (John 12:13–15). He comes to be lifted up in glory on the cross in order to cast out "the ruler of this world" and draw all people to Himself (John 12:23–32). The Church is thus called to "rejoice greatly," because her King comes with salvation, and "he shall speak peace to the nations" (Zech. 9:9–10). As He is anointed "beforehand for burial" (Mark 14:8), He also ascends His royal throne as "the King of the Jews" by way of His Passion (Mark 15:2, 17–19, 26). He goes "as it is written of him," wherefore "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power" (Mark 14:21, 62). For the glory of God is love, which crescendos in the humble obedience and voluntary self-sacrifice of the Son of God for the salvation of sinners. So, God the Father has "highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name" (Phil. 2:9), that He might reign over us in love with the forgiveness of His cross.

## Procession of Palms

The congregation stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance to the nave.

## Greeting

- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the Son of David.
- Let us pray. Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Holy Gospel

Mark 11:1–10

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the reading)

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.
- P Let us go forth in peace,
- in the name of the Lord.

## Processional Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor

**LSB 442** 

#### Greeting

- Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. P
- C Hosanna in the highest.

A time of silence may be observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion.

## Collect of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

LSB 203

#### **Children's Choir: How Far Love Goes**

1. You gave up a throne for a manger Traded a crown for a cross Laid down Your life for a stranger And for all who are broken and lost

#### chorus:

You came down from the heavens So we would know how deep, how high How long and how wide and how far love goes

2. You went to the darkest of place Walked down the loneliest roads You looked into lost empty faces And told us we're never alone

#### chorus:

3. To the ends of the earth You have been You have searched for the ones so far from home Jesus, You paid the price. What a great sacrifice You have made to call us Your own

Lord, have mer - cy.

#### chorus:

How deep, how high How long and how wide and how far love goes

Kyrie LSB 204 Lord, have mer-cy;

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Christ, have mer-cy;

## The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ	
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now	LSB 440 st. 1
First Reading: Jesus Anointed - Sacrament Appointed	Mark 14:1–26
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now Second Reading: Denial Predicted - Betrayal Inflicted	LSB 440 st. 2 Mark 14:27–52
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now	I SD 440 -4 2
Third Reading: Jesus' Trial - Peter's Denial	LSB 440 st. 3  Mark 14:53–72
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now	LSB 440 st. 4
Fourth Reading: Council Pacified - Christ Crucified	Mark 15:1–32
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now Verse	LSB 440 st. 5
Please rise as you are able in honor of the Holy Gospel, Christ's Passion  He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of c  even death on a cross.	unto death. leath,
Final Reading: The God-Man Dead - In Darkness Laid	Mark 15:33–47
Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now	LSB 440 st. 6
Sermon Offering	
<u>Confirmation</u> <u>of</u> <u>Ton Bethke and Wyatt Arndt</u>	§

Confirmation

LSB 272

**Prayer of the Church** 

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- We believe, teach, and confess in accordance with Holy Scripture that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift from God, in which Christ gives us His true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.
- The Bible teaches that this sacrament may also be spiritually harmful when misused, (For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ~ 1 Corinthians 11:26-30)
- The Lord's Supper is a testimony of the unity in faith. We ask that only those who have been instructed and who are in fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come with a contrite and joyful heart to the Lord's Table. (And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ~ Act 2:42)
- Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty, prior to the church service.
- Preparing for Holy Communion: To assist our time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. Both individual and common cup are offered on both sides. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.

Preface	LSB 194
Distribution Hymn: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth Distribution Hymn: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty Distribution Hymn: Jesus, Refuge of the Weary Distribution Hymn: No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet	LSB 438 LSB 441 LSB 423 LSB 444
Nunc Dimittis  Hymn to Depart: Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus	LSB 211 LSB 685

#### OUR PRAYERS:

Called Home: James Ross

Hospitalized:

Cancer Treatment: Debbie Pehrson, Elaine Malling (Karen Zimmerman's sister)

Treatment and continued recovery: Bernita Kohnert

Prayer for continued recovery and healing and Thanksgiving: Jacob Williams, Bonnie Ross,

Kirsten Tharp, Stan Stiernagle

Medical Procedure: Karen Thompson

Illness: Cindy Kuschel, Glenda Pooley (sister of Gary Paulson)

Treatment: Terry George, Dixie Flitter, Tim Andree

Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.

All the service men & women who are serving in the military: Gavin Doering, Jacob Lemmen,

Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

Waseca Circuit Missionaries: Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

Please contact the church office if you wish to speak with Pastor Grannis and Aimee will be happy to put you on his calendar during his office hours. Thank you 

## LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

Worship Attendance on:

Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024: 118

Bible Study: 20

Sunday School: 19

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit): \$4954.80

Handicap Entrance Fund: \$480.00

Memorial for Handicap Entrance: \$540.00 in memory of Anita Hildebrandt and \$300.00 in

memory of Lucille Gregor Improvement Fund: \$45.00

Radio Broadcast: \$200.00 in Memory of Lucille Gregor

Wednesday March 13th, 2024: 48

General Fund (in person & Direct Deposit): \$396.00

Handicap/Improvement: \$10.00

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: March 24th - March 31st, 2024

# Sunday (24th): Palm Sunday and Confirmation Sunday

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/ Holy Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Study coffee hour

Monday (25th):

10am

**Prayer Team** 

Tuesday (26th):

1pm Quilters

Wednesday (27th):

11:30am

29er's at Pizza Ranch

7:00 pm

**Senior Choir** 

Thursday (28th):

6 am

Bible Breakfast @ Jonnie Beans

6 pm

**Maundy Thursday Service** 

Friday (29th):

**OFFICE CLOSED** 

6pm

**Good Friday Service** 

Sunday (31st): EASTER MORNING

6:30 am Sunrise Service w/ Communion (Facebook Live)

7:30am to 8:30am Easter Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

NO Coffee hour OR Adult Bible Study OR Sunday School

## SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

THIS WEEK: March 24th, 2024:

NEXT WEEK: March 31st, 2024:

**DRGANIST:** Cindy Wood

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood
ACOLYTE: Alex Bethke 9am

**\COLYTE**: Kameron Kunkel **:LDER/DEACON**: Eric Schwarz

ELDER/DEACON: Eric Schwarz

RADIO MONITOR: Ron Wood

RADIO MONITOR: Kathy Flogstad

ACEBOOK: Cindy Gilmore

**FACEBOOK: Cindy Gilmore** 

ursday March 28th, 2024:

Friday March 29th, 2024

RGANIST: Cindy Wood ACEBOOK: Geri Kuschel

ORGANIST: Cindy Wood FACEBOOK: Kathy Flogstad

**COLYTE**: Joel Hammer

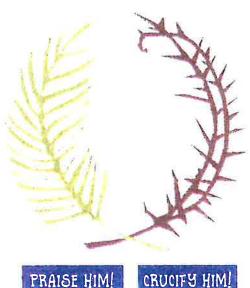
**ACOLYTE:** Ton Bethke

**ELDER/DEACON**: Eric Schwarz



## Why do we celebrate "Palm Sunday"?

The Sunday before Jesus was crucified by the people, they honored and adored Him as their Lord and king with palm branches. We remember this as the beginning of Christ's bitter walk to the cross.



# Why did the people honor and adore Jesus on Palm Sunday and then kill Him on Good Friday?

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the people began to praise and honor Him as their king. They believed Him to be a powerful leader who would overthrow the Roman government and restore Israel. When Jesus did not do this, the people wanted Him crucified. You and I know what kind of a king He is. He's a king who came to die for the sins of His people. Wow! What a king!



Pacents: Remind your children that it was important that Jesus did die for their sins. That is exactly what He came to earth to do. He came to pay the price that we could never pay. Direct your children to the symbols in the church that reflect Christ's death. Remind them that we will hear of His victory over death next Sunday on Easter!!!



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)**

- Caring for Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Please remember to send your "Brother" or "Sister" a card along with a Bible verse of encouragement, and pray for him/her.
- Mark your calendar!!! The Higher Things attendee's will be having a Garage Sale fundraiser Friday May 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>. If you are doing some spring cleaning during this nice weather and want to donate it to this cause, please bring items to the church office. We will start collecting items as soon as Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Thanks for your support of our youth.
- to help our community become more aware of our church and its members. We are selling Jackets and Hoodies to our members with our church name, the LCMS cross logo and Waseca MN will be embroidered on the left chest. You may have your name embroidered on the right chest. These will be available to order through APRIL 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 after church or during office hours. If you have any questions please contact a Board of Evangelism member.
- The Waseca Area Neighborhood Service Center is home to the Waseca Area Food Shelf. In 2023 the Food Shelf helped provide food to 7669 individuals and distributed 137,265 pounds of food. Supplying the families that face insecurity with healthy food options would not be possible without the generous support of donors.

The Waseca Food Shelf is so thankful for the Board of Stewardship's food collection boxes by the church entries. Needs are many - but items like ramen noodles, soup, and canned fruit are always in short supply. Cash or checks are also appreciated as monetary donations are used to obtain items through Food Bank suppliers that are able to purchase food at a reduced cost. All monetary donations are tax deductible. A receipt is supplied for tax purposes at the end of the year. Checks should be made out to the Waseca Area Neighborhood Service Center (or WANSC) with the memo stating: Food Shelf. A tax receipt can be given for cash donations also if you provide your name and mailing address. Member of Thrivent? You can donate to the Food Shelf through Thrivent Choice online as well. Thank you for your continued support!

#### Holy Week Service Schedule:

Maundy Thursday March 28th: Service with Communion @ 6pm

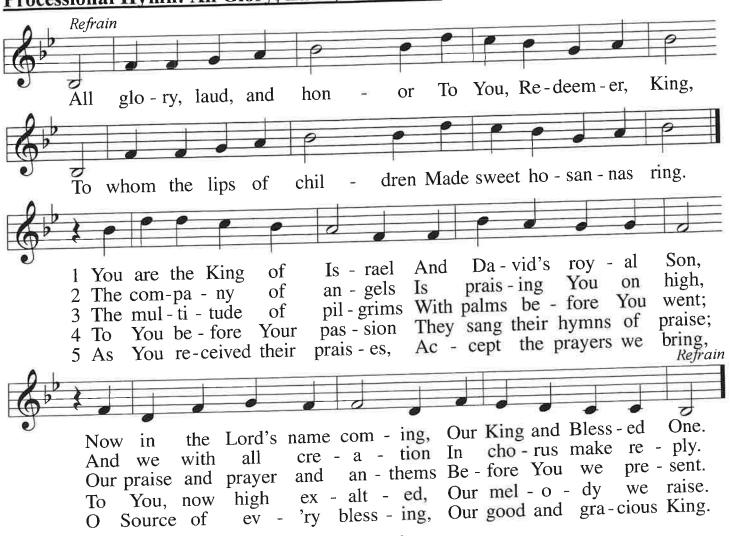
Good Friday March 29th: Service @ 6pm

Easter Sunday March 31st: Sunrise service @ 6:30 am with communion

Easter Breakfast: 7:30ish to 8:30am

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## Processional Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor



Text: Theodulf of Orléans, c. 762-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.

Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635, alt.

## Hymn: Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

LSB 440 st. 1



Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626-81; tr. August Crull, 1845-1923, alt.

Tune: Melchior Vulpius, c. 1570-1615

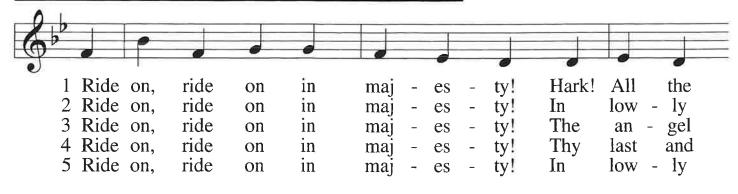
1 Jesus, I will ponder now
 On Your holy passion;
With Your Spirit me endow
 For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith
 May the image cherish
Of Your suff'ring, pain, and death
 That I may not perish.

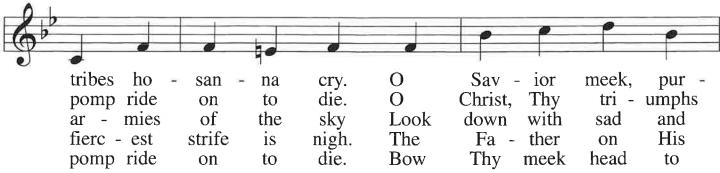
- Make me see Your great distress, Anguish, and affliction, Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And Your crucifixion; Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You, How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
- 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus alone Make me see Your passion, But its cause to me make known And its termination. Ah! I also and my sin Wrought Your deep affliction; This indeed the cause has been Of Your crucifixion.

- 4 Grant that I Your passion view
  With repentant grieving.
  Let me not bring shame to You
  By unholy living.
  How could I refuse to shun
  Ev'ry sinful pleasure
  Since for me God's only Son
  Suffered without measure?
- And my conscience grieve me,
  Let Your cross my fear disarm;
  Peace of conscience give me.
  Help me see forgiveness won
  By Your holy passion.
  If for me He slays His Son,
  God must have compassion!
- 6 Graciously my faith renew;
  Help me bear my crosses,
  Learning humbleness from You,
  Peace mid pain and losses.
  May I give You love for love!
  Hear me, 0 my Savior,
  That I may in heav'n above



#### Distribution Hymn: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



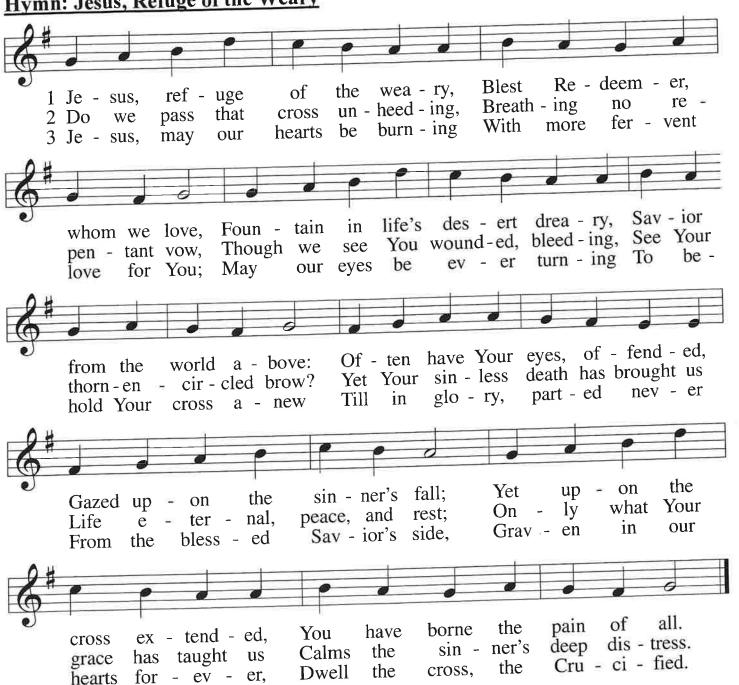




With palms and sue Thy road, scat - tered gar - ments strowed. be - gin cap - tive con - quered now O'er death and sin. see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri won - d'ring eyes To fice. sap - phire throne His a - noint - ed Son. A waits own Thy pow'r mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, and reign.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt.

Tune: Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien, 1690, Hamburg, alt.



Text: Girolamo Savonarola, 1452-98; tr. Jane F. Wilde, 1826-96, alt.

Tune: Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz, 1745, Basel





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