

✠ PALM SUNDAY ✠

April 5, 2020



Nain Evangelical Lutheran Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday - April 5, 2020



The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory

Today is Palm Sunday, named for that day nearly two thousand years ago when Jesus entered Jerusalem to the sounds of praise and adoration. For 1700 years the Church has celebrated this festival that begins what we call “Holy Week.”

The hour for Christ’s glory had come. He would not, however, gain glory in the manner of other kings. Rather, he would humble himself in great acts of love for us (even to the point of death!), and then the Heavenly Father would exalt him to the highest place, because he had fulfilled God’s mission to save as the sacrificial Lamb of God.

With repentant hearts we join our Lord’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem, confident in his all atoning sacrifice to take away our sins, and hailing him as our Eternal King. “Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord!”

✝ COMMON SERVICE ✝

THE PREPARATION

(Job 11:13-15; Psalm 25; Isaiah 40:3-5; Hebrews 4:16)

Personal Prayer before Worship

O Lord – our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter – we are assembled in your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray that you would open our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of your Word we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus, and grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

OPENING HYMN 130 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That



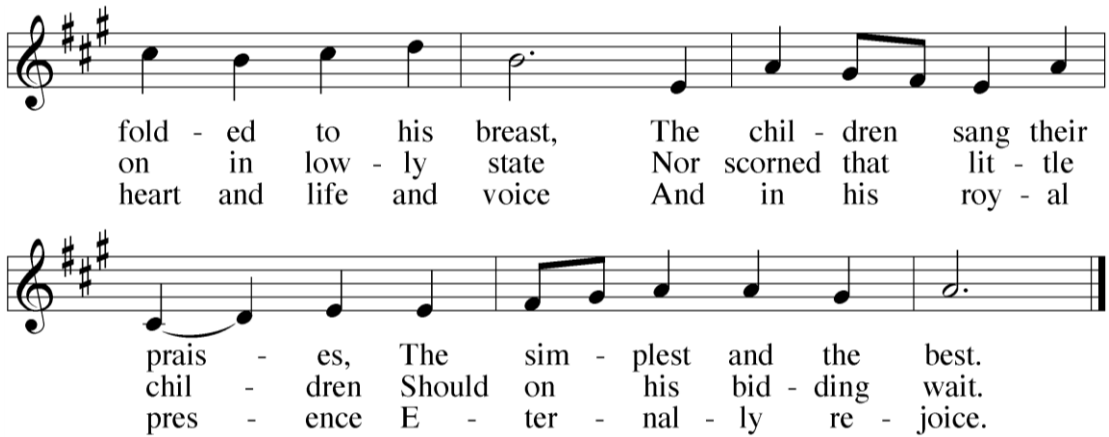
lit - tle chil - dren sang; Through pil - lared
an - ex - ul - tant crowd, The vic - tor
an - cient song we sing, For Christ is



court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them
palm branch way - ing And chant - ing clear and
our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n, our



rang. To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close
loud. The Lord of saints and an - gels Rode
King. Oh, may we ev - er praise him With



fold - ed to his breast, The chil - dren sang their
on in low - ly state Nor scorned that lit - tle
heart and life and voice And in his roy - al
prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
chil - dren Should on his bid - ding wait.
pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

INVOCATION (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

** Please stand.*

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS (1 John 1:8-9)

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

** Please remain silent for reflection on God's Word and for repentant self-examination.*

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

KYRIE – LORD, HAVE MERCY (Mark 10:47; Luke 17:12-13)

C: Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

HOLY ABSOLUTION (John 20:19-23)

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

** During the penitential season of Lent, the "Gloria in Excelsis" is omitted.*

SALUTATION (Ruth 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:22)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Philippians 4:6; Matthew 18:19-20)

M: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

** Please be seated.*

THE WORD

(Romans 10:17; Acts 2:42; 2 Timothy 3:16,17)

FIRST LESSON [Zechariah 9:9,10](#)

** After the reading of the Lesson:*

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 24

** The Psalm will be sung by the cantor.*

Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory.

The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;

for he founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory.

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory.

SECOND LESSON

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

* After the reading of the Lesson:

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

VERSE OF THE DAY

[John 12:23](#)

* During the penitential season of Lent, the "Alleluia" response to the Verse of the Day is omitted.

GOSPEL OF THE DAY

[Matthew 21:1-11](#)

M: The Holy Gospel for Palm Sunday, according to St. Matthew, chapter twenty-one.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord!**

* After the reading of the Gospel:

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

* Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

133 vv 1-4 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Your last and



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his



sue your road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - d'ring eyes To see th' ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
sap - phire throne A - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.

SERMON

Matthew 21:1-11

NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10; Philippians 2:10-11)

** Please stand.*

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, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. 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 the 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, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

** Please be seated.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH – PALM SUNDAY (1 Timothy 2:1-6)

** Please remain seated.*

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

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.

THE SACRAMENT

(Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11)

PREFACES

** Please stand.*

M: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1; Lamentations 3:41)

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. (Psalm 107:1; Psalm 136)

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

SANCTUS – HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he

**who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-24)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

PAX DOMINI – THE PEACE OF THE LORD (John 20:19)

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI – O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (John 1:29; Isaiah 53:7)

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

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

O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. Amen.

* *Please be seated.*

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (1 Corinthians 11:26)

Personal Prayer before Holy Communion

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

Personal Prayer after Holy Communion

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS – SONG OF SIMEON (Luke 2:29-32)

** Please stand.*

**C: Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace
according to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles
and the glory of your people Israel.**

THANKSGIVING (Psalm 118:1)

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

AARONIC BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24-26)

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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


The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

** Please be seated.*

CLOSING HYMN

133 v5 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"



5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
pomp ride on to die. Bow your meek head to
mō - tal pain, Then take, O Christ, your power and reign.



Personal Prayer after Worship

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. In your Name, I pray. Amen.

Palm Fronds

It is a laudable custom for worshippers to retain their palm fronds after the Palm Sunday service and to place them behind a cross, crucifix, or a Christian picture in one's home. This is done in remembrance of our King, Jesus Christ riding on into Jerusalem to die for our salvation.

Please feel welcome to take a palm frond home with you for this purpose, or to bring to someone who wasn't able to worship today.

These fronds can be brought back to the church on Transfiguration Sunday for the Palm Burning Ceremony. The ashes of the burnt palms will be used for the Imposition of the Ashes on Ash Wednesday.

Thank You to Peter Hermanson for serving as cantor, and to Ben Leyrer and Wade Johnston for recording the service and playing the music.

Thank you for joining us as we together worshiped our Triune God. The Lord be with you this week!

Please contact Pastor Berg if you are need of any pastoral care during the week.

The following are posted on our church website:

- *Congregation at Prayer – a document offering suggestions for daily devotions and Scripture readings.*
 - *About the Propers – a document explaining the changeable parts of the service.*
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