

**April 13, 2025**

**Welcome**

**Opening Reading**

**John 12:12-16**

The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

“Hosanna!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Blessed is the king of Israel!”

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.”

At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

**The Hymn of Invocation**

**442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

- ref All glory, laud, and honor  
    To You, Redeemer, King,  
    To whom the lips of children  
    Made sweet hosannas ring.
  
- 1 You are the King of Israel  
    And David’s royal Son,  
    Now in the Lord’s name coming,  
    Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
  
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims  
    With palms before You went;  
    Our praise and prayer and anthems  
    Before You we present. Refrain
  
- 4 To You before Your passion  
    They sang their hymns of praise;  
    To You, now high exalted,  
    Our melody we raise. Refrain

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**Invocation and Confession of Sins**.....(pg. 151 in Lutheran Service Book)

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.)*

Let us then confess all our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore announce the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**The Kyrie**.....(pg. 152 in Lutheran Service Book)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

♪ **Amen.**

**Hymn Of Praise**.....(pg. 155 in Lutheran Service Book)

### **This is the Feast of Victory**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Let us Pray: Heavenly Father, we thank You for the truth of Your Word that nothing in death nor life will separate us from Your love that is ours in Christ Jesus. By Your gracious Spirit strengthen us in this confidence, uphold and keep us in Your peace in every trial; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **Old Testament**

### **Psalms 27:1, 7-8, 13-14**

The Lord is my light and my salvation--whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life-- of whom shall I be afraid?

Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.

I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle**

**Hebrews 12:2-3**

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Verse**.....(pg. 156 in Lutheran Service Book)

♪ **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**The Gospel**

**Luke 9:51**

♪ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Object Lesson**

**The Hymn of the Day**

**444 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet**

*(Choir will sing first verse, with everyone singing remaining verses)*

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| <p>1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet<br/>With banners and with drums,<br/>No sound of music's martial beat:<br/>"The King of glory comes!"<br/>To greet what pomp of kingly pride<br/>No bells in triumph ring,<br/>No city gates swing open wide:<br/>"Behold, behold your King!"</p>   | <p>3 What fading flow'rs His road adorn;<br/>The palms, how soon laid down!<br/>No bloom or leaf but only thorn<br/>The King of glory's crown.<br/>The soldiers mock, the rabble cries,<br/>The streets with tumult ring,<br/>As Pilate to the mob replies,<br/>"Behold, behold your King!"</p> |
| <p>2 And yet He comes. The children cheer;<br/>With palms His path is strown.<br/>With ev'ry step the cross draws near:<br/>The King of glory's throne.<br/>Astride a colt He passes by<br/>As loud hosannas ring,<br/>Or else the very stones would cry<br/>"Behold, behold your King!"</p> | <p>4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake<br/>The cross and all its pains<br/>And chose a servant's form to take,<br/>The King of glory reigns.<br/>Hosanna to the Savior's name<br/>Till heaven's rafters ring,<br/>And all the ransomed host proclaim<br/>"Behold, behold your King!"</p>        |

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**Sermon**

**The Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**The Prayers** *[If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]*

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

*After each portion of the prayers:*

Lord in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

**The 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.**

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**The Offertory**.....(sung to #955 in the Lutheran Service Book)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

**The Preface**.....(pg. 160 in Lutheran Service Book)

The Lord be with you.

♪ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

♪ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

♪ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us children of men and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood.

### **Jesus' Instruction for Holy Communion**

#### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**The Agnus Dei**.....(pg. 163 in Lutheran Service Book)

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

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

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*[If your body does not tolerate alcohol, the back row of the individual cups are grape juice.]*

### **The Distribution Hymns**

#### **420 Christ, the Life of All the Living**

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| 1 Christ, the life of all the living,<br>Christ, the death of death, our foe,<br>Who, Thyself for me once giving<br>To the darkest depths of woe:<br>Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit<br>I eternal life inherit.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee. | 4 Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,<br>Treating Thee with shameful scorn<br>And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee.<br>All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,<br>That as Thine Thou mightest own me<br>And with heav'nly glory crown me.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee. |
| 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee<br>Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;<br>Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,<br>O Thou sinless Son of God!<br>Thus didst Thou my soul deliver<br>From the bonds of sin forever.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.      | 5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,<br>That from pain I might be free;<br>Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:<br>Thence I gain security;<br>Comfortless Thy soul did languish<br>Me to comfort in my anguish.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.                               |
| 3 Thou hast borne the smiting only<br>That my wounds might all be whole;<br>Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,<br>Rest to give my weary soul;<br>Yea, the curse of God enduring,<br>Blessing unto me securing.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.          | 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction<br>And hast borne it patiently,<br>Even death by crucifixion,<br>Fully to atone for me;<br>Thou didst choose to be tormented<br>That my doom should be prevented.<br>Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,<br>Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.  |

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden,  
I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,  
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry,  
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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### 711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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| 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;<br>Much we need Your tender care.<br>In Your pleasant pastures feed us,<br>For our use Your fold prepare.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>You have bought us; we are Yours.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>You have bought us; we are Yours. | 3 You have promised to receive us,<br>Poor and sinful though we be;<br>You have mercy to relieve us,<br>Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>Early let us turn to You.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>Early let us turn to You.       |
| 2 We are Yours; in love befriend us,<br>Be the guardian of our way;<br>Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,<br>Seek us when we go astray.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>Hear us children when we pray.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>Hear us children when we pray.          | 4 Early let us seek Your favor,<br>Early let us do Your will;<br>Blessèd Lord and only Savior,<br>With Your love our spirits fill.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>You have loved us, love us still.<br>Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,<br>You have loved us, love us still. |

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The body and blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the faith to life everlasting. Go in peace.

**Amen.**

#### **The Post Communion Canticle**.....(pg. 164 in Lutheran Service Book)

**Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.  
He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy  
With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this good gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

♪ **Amen.**

#### **The Final Hymn**

## 645 Built on the Rock

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| <p>1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand<br/>         Even when steeples are falling.<br/>         Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land;<br/>         Bells still are chiming and calling,<br/>         Calling the young and old to rest,<br/>         But above all the souls distressed,<br/>         Longing for rest everlasting.</p> | <p>2 Surely in temples made with hands<br/>         God, the Most High, is not dwelling;<br/>         High above earth His temple stands,<br/>         All earthly temples excelling.<br/>         Yet He who dwells in heav'n above<br/>         Chooses to live with us in love,<br/>         Making our bodies His temple.</p> |
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### Server Schedule

	4/13	4/17 Maundy Thurs	4/18 Good Friday	4/20
	8:30	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:30
Elder	Dan	Herold	Herold	Erik
Reader	Dianna	N/A	N/A	Wanda
PowerPoint	Amy	Lisa	Lisa	Dan
Organ	Linda	Linda	Linda	Linda
Audio	Steve	Greg	Steve	Steve
Visuals	Preston	Edwin	Amy	Greg
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Elder	Greg			Edwin
Reader	Rosemary			Kathy
PowerPoint	Cole			Vicki
Audio/Visuals	Erik/Preston			Mike/Conor
Counters	Adria/Michelle			Mick/James
	Both			Both
Altar Guild	Royce/Paula	Magyars	Magyars	Williams/Koob
Altar Flowers	Spachts	N/A	N/A	Flower Ministry

Altar flowers are given by Jon and Wanda Spacht, in celebration of 45 years of marriage on April 12th.

### Birthdays this Week

- 04/17 Lorraine Roemer
- 04/19 Joshua Dart

### Anniversaries this Week

None on record