



**WELCOME TO
PALM SUNDAY
AT ADVENT LUTHERAN CHURCH
APRIL 13, 2025**

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8:30 AND 11:00 A.M.

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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.

ACCLAMATION

P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

C **Hosanna in the highest!**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-38

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. Now as he was 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, saying,

“Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”

After the reading:

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

BLESSING OF PALMS

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.**

PROCESSION

P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Vss. 1-5 **LBW #108**

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

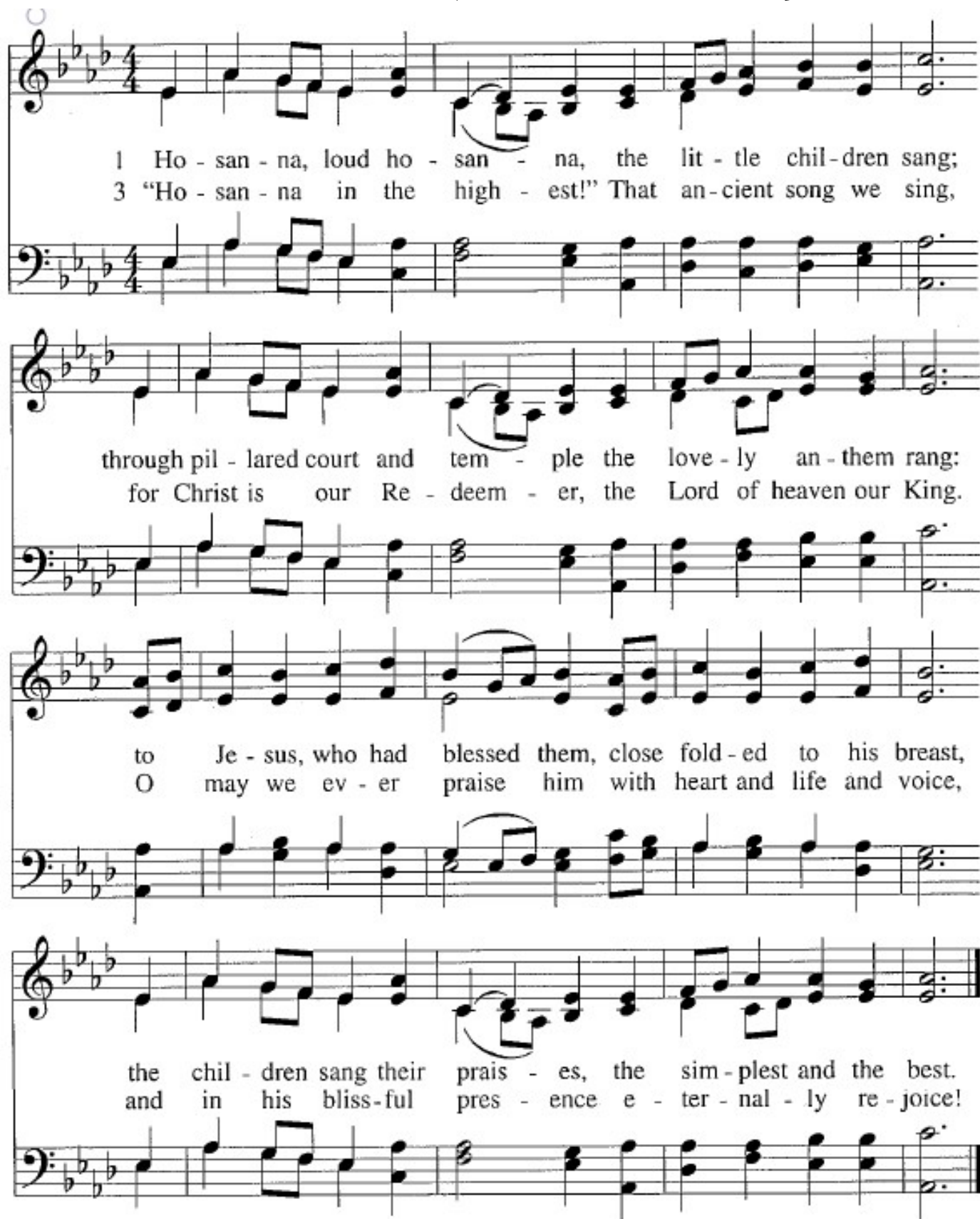


now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
 cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
 To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit is with you all.

C **And is also with you.**



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,
through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang:
for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heaven our King.
to Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,
the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray together the prayer of the day.

C **Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

After the reading:

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

- P Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- C or my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**
- P I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay
to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- C Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken
pot.**
- P For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they
put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- C But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, “You are my
God.**
- P My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- C Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.”**

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

After the reading:

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

You may remain seated or stand

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 21st chapter.

C **Glory to you O God.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

When they 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:

“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.”

After the reading:

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

INTERIM PASTOR DAVID HINKELMAN

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Let the People Shout Hosanna” Johnson

ADULT CHOIR

You may remain seated or stand

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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 OF INTERCESSION

A Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world,
and all those in need.

A brief silence.

- A Guide your church this Holy Week as we follow in the servant way of Jesus. Protect those who face hostility or oppression for their faith. Humble those who would use faith to dominate others and reinforce their own power. Sustain our Bishop Suzanne with wisdom and dedicated leaders. God, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Make your creation a living witness to Christ's passion and resurrection: in waving palms, shouting stones, fragrant vineyards, murmuring wheat, and revealing fire. Make us attentive to your holy presence in the world, that we may care for the earth you love. God, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Let your face shine upon the leaders of nations and let the same mind be in them as was in Christ Jesus, so that those with the most power may humble themselves to serve the most vulnerable. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. Strengthen organizations and communities that broker peace and care for refugees, immigrants, and all caught in the center of conflict. Bring joy and strength to people and organizations who advocate for the needs of neighbors. Empower activists who advocate for change. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts and pursue peace. Direct us to contribute effectively to the needs of others and to extend hospitality. Make your church a sanctuary for all fleeing persecution, disaster, and war. We pray for the peoples in so many countries whose lives are considered of no value by leaders. Welcome into your kingdom those who have been killed and protect those who are living in the valley of death, because of unconscionable wars. Strengthen our resolve to serve all in need. God, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.**
- A Sustain the weary with a word. Grant perseverance to political prisoners and to any who are exploited, unjustly accused, or wrongly convicted. Abide with all who are in jails, detention centers, or prisons. Console all who experience times of trial or suffering. We pray aloud and silently for those in need of healing; family members, friends, co-workers, casual acquaintances and those we know by name only (*leave a time of silence for people to name those for whom they pray*). God, in your mercy,
- C receive our prayer.**

A Give strength to those who will lead worship during Holy Week: pastors and deacons, altar guilds and sacristans, musicians and assisting ministers, ushers, and office staff. Instill in them awe and joy, that their service may reflect the love of Jesus. God, in your mercy,

C **receive our prayer.**

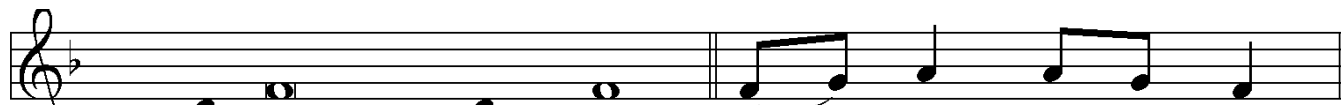
A We give thanks to you for our beloved dead, (*leave a time of silence*) trusting that as the cross of Jesus led to the empty tomb, so you welcome those who have died into the paradise of your presence. God, in your mercy,

C **receive our prayer.**

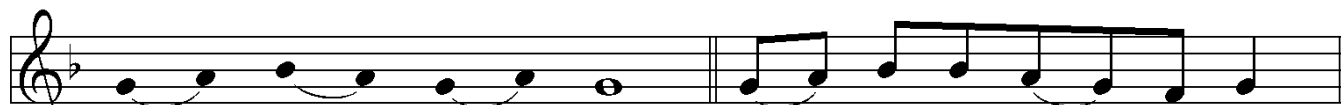
A Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

C **Amen.**

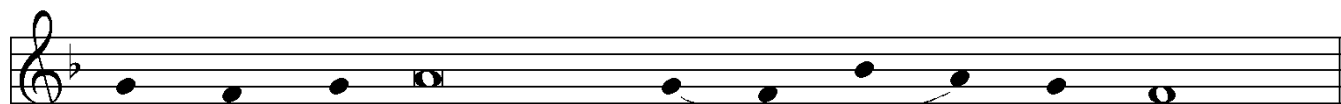
GREAT THANKSGIVING



♩ The Lord be with you. ♪ And al - so 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.

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. 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:



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

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

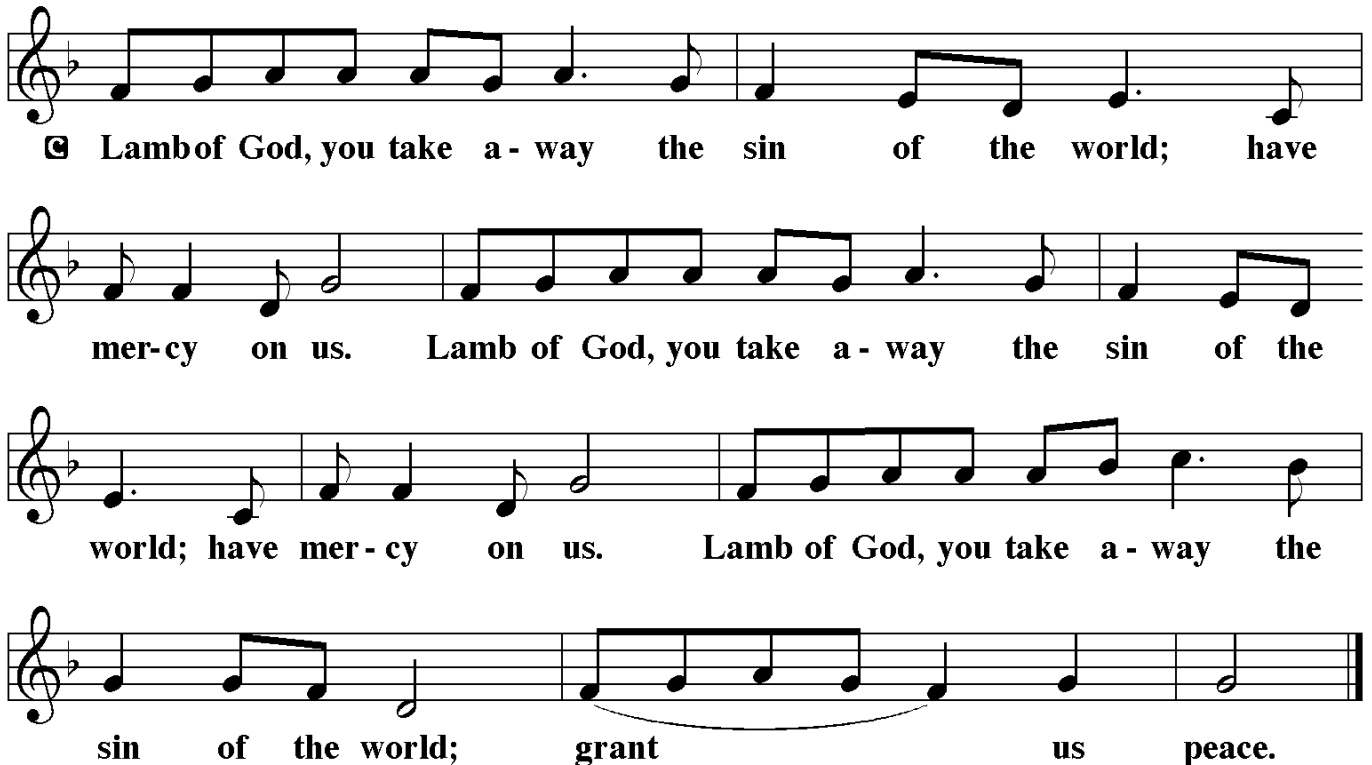
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

A Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.



☒ 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
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

DISTRIBUTION

Invitation to the Lord's Table – Believing in the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, this family of faith practices Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcomed to Communion when they are worshipping with us.

HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

This communion bread is free from: Gluten, Dairy, Nuts, Egg and Yeast.

Grape juice is available by request at the chancel rail.

After receiving the elements, you may return to your seats.

Please place your empty communion cup in the baskets provided on the first row of chairs.

***If you would like to receive communion at your seat,
please let an usher know.***

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

You may remain seated or stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray. Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN "Go to Dark Gethsemane" Vss. 1 - 3 LBW # 109

1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt-er's pow'r;
2 Fol-low to the judg-ment hall, view the Lord of life ar-raigned;
3 Cal-v'ry's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
your Re-deem-er's con-flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm-wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.
turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin-ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Worship God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others. Make Disciples.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

The 2025 flower chart is located in the Narthex above the Usher's stand. Please sign up to purchase flowers for that special someone or to celebrate a date or memory. All vases are \$25.00 each.

	8:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
ACOLYTE		HADLEY SAMUEL
ASSISTING MINISTER	BROOKE DOWNING	VIC KULISEK
PASTOR	INTERIM PASTOR DAVID HINKELMAN	