Zion Lutheran Church



April 10th, 2022 **Palm Sunday**



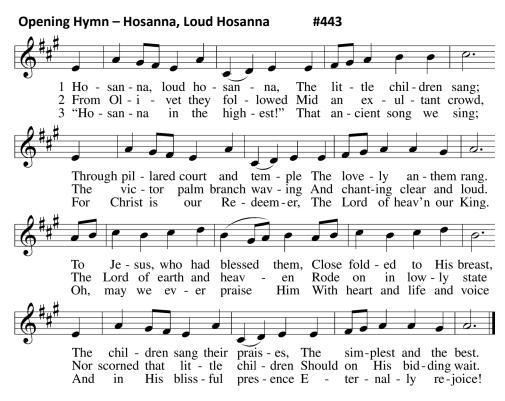
Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

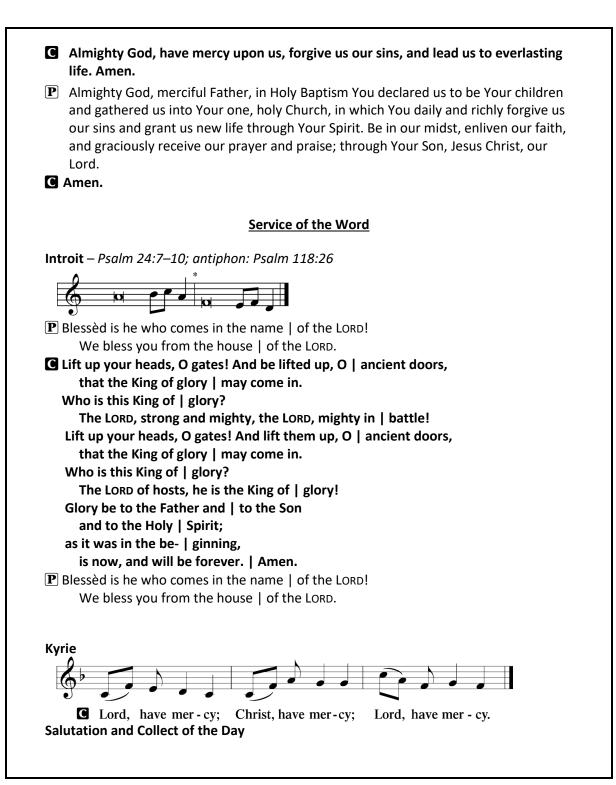
In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office.



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C Amen.

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.



P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 32:36–39

The LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. Then he will say, "Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! "See now that I, even I, am he,

and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

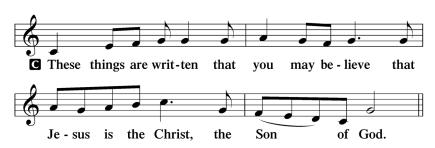
Choir – Draw Nigh (8:00 am) Men's Choir – Ride On, Ride On (10:30 am)

Epistle Reading – Philippians 2:5–11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

P This is the Word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

Verse



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter

Glory to You, O Lord.

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

G I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Refrain ゥ All glo - ry, laud, and hon To You, Re-deem-er, King, or 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. prais - ing 2 The com-pa - ny of an - gels Is You on high, 3 The mul-ti - tude pil-grims With palms be - fore You went; of 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise; 5 As You re-ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring, Refrain ヵ the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One. with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply. Now in One. And we with Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent. You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise. То ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra-cious King. O Source of Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon

Prayer of the Church ... Lord in your mercy.

C ... Hear our prayer.

Gathering of Offerings

Service of the Sacrament

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

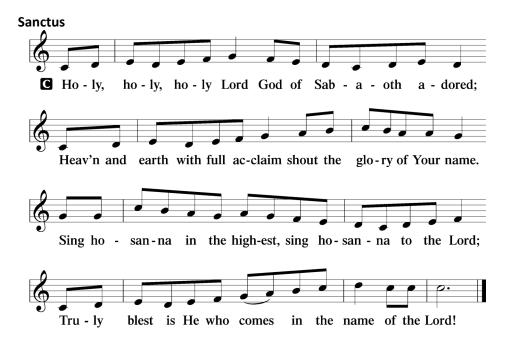
P Lift up your hearts.

G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.

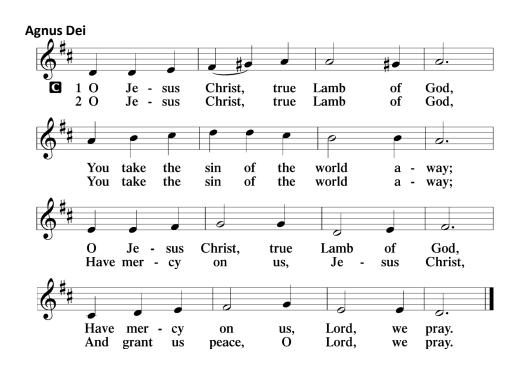
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This
 - do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Distribution

If you are visiting us today from a Christian denomination outside the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

Faith Bell Choir – All Glory Laud and Honor (8 am) Grace Bell Choir – Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (10:30)

Distribution Hymns

Prepare the Royal Highway	#343
The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord	#634
Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love	#900



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

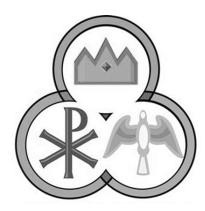
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His

kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

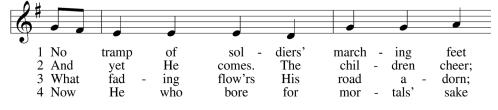
Benedicamus and Benediction

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- C Amen.



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Closing Hymn – No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet #444





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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

-For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, Vince Kimberland, Gladys Cimarolli, and Ron Valentino. -Healing for: Bob Schmidt, Jen Fitzgerald, Barbara & Kara Koski, Barb Fisher, Dale Hesse, Mike Wallace, Paisley (a young friend of Joan Cisko), Darrell Molinari, Jennifer Meyer, Joanne Garloff, Neil Ackerman, Richard Hultman, Rose, Rita Sheldon, Dennis Finney, Pastor Bob McCanless, Grant German, Albert Hatala, Eva Bukovitz, Al Riske, Kami Snow, Ruth Rostron, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Marian Siek, Dave Hutula, and Mabel Granke.

-For our missions/missionaries, especially Rev. Phil & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society. -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

-For peace in Ukraine.

-For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it.

-For an end to abortion and human trafficking.

-For the youth in our community.

<u>Our Nation:</u>

-For our leaders and government officials.
-For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
-For the disabled, unborn and aged.
-For those whose work it is to protect us.
-For godly care of the earth.



Service Participants +

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Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
Organist:	Sandy Quinlan
The Elders:	Bill Bishop, Roger Diederich
The Acolyte:	Daniel Grimenstein (8:00) Christian Bonacci (10:30)
The Ushers:	Shane Bryant, Bill, Ken & Will Schrag (8:00) Susie Bishop, Mike Kozak, John & Luke Lemonivch (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Chuck & Debbie LaJeunesse in celebration of their wedding anniversary and by the Klemash family in celebration of Rachel's 28th birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by the Kozak family in memory of loved ones.

SPECIAL PRE-SERVICE MUSIC will be performed on Good Friday beginning at 1:30 and 6:30 pm.

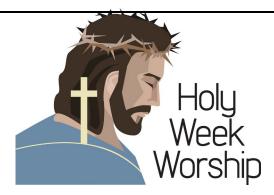
PARENTS ... children's activity pages are available in the baskets at both church entrances. They reinforce the concepts and themes for that week's worship service in a kid-friendly format. Use them during church, or take them home to use later! Also, be sure to guide your child through the "Kids in the Divine Service" page found on the last page of each bulletin.

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/3) – 56 (8 am); 72 (10:30 am) Mid-Week Worship Attendance (4/6) – 15 (2 pm); 48 (7 pm) Plate Offerings (4/3) – \$3081 Online Offering (3/27) – \$1580 Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate



This Week at Zion	
SUN 4/10	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 4/11	6:00 PM – 1 st year Confirmation 6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:00 PM – 2 nd year Confirmation 7:15 PM – Choir 8:15 PM – Faith Bell Choir
TUE 4/12	
WED 4/13	
Maundy Thur THU 4/14	2:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Worship
Good Friday FRI 4/15	2:00 PM – Good Friday Worship (prelude music begins 1:30) 7:00 PM – Good Friday Worship (prelude music begins 6:30)
SAT 4/16	
Easter SUN 4/17	8:00 AM – Worship Easter Breakfast Buffet 10:30 AM – Worship



Maundy Thursday Thursday, April 14th — 2:00 & 7:00 pm

Good Friday

Friday, April 15th — 2:00 & 7:00 pm (Prelude Music begins at 1:30 & 6:30)

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 17th — 8:00 & 10:30 am Buffet breakfast btwn services -- sign up in Narthex



A Service of Praise & Thanksgiving Commemorating the Anniversary of our Synod

> Redeemer Lutheran Church Oakmont Sunday, May 1st at 3 PM

Sponsored by Pittsburgh Area Lutheran Ministries (PALM)

SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER Rev. Dr. David Stechholz Bishop Emeritus, English District-LCMS

Reception Sponsored by Concordia Lutheran Ministries

Join Us!

Join us for the return of... ZION'S EASTER BREAKFAST!

Easter Sunday April 17th Join us in the Fellowship Hall in between services

Where do you fit? Volunteers are needed: make egg casseroles (recipe & pan provided), make fruit salad (bowl provided), help set-up, help clean up, help serve

RSVP on the sign up at the back of the church or email events@zlcb.org

<u>This Week in Sunday School</u> A recap of today's SS teaching for Zion parents & students

BIBLE VERSE

Their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. Luke 24:31

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

Easter afternoon, Jesus joins two disciples discussing the events of the past week in Jerusalem while on their way to Emmaus. Along the way, Jesus interprets the Old Testament prophecies concerning Himself. Arriving at Emmaus, the disciples suddenly recognize Jesus, who then disappears from sight. The disciples quickly return to Jerusalem to share their amazing account.

TAKING IT HOME

- On the Go--What did the two men say to Jesus that showed they were still confused about what Jesus had come to earth to do? What kind of king and redeemer did they think He would be?
- At Mealtime—What action revealed Jesus to the two men? Where does this action take place today? Who "opens" Scripture and reveals Christ to you?
- Something to Do—Emmaus was seven miles from Jerusalem. Find a place that is seven miles from your home. How long would it take to walk there? How long did the two men spend with Jesus on the road?
- Before Bed—Why is it important to study Moses and the Prophets in the Old Testament? Name three Old Testament stories that point to Jesus as our Savior.



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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!

Parents: 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!!!

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