

Sunday of the Passion
Palm Sunday
March 25, 2018
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Stand as you are able

Opening Sentences *(spoken twice)*

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

C **Hosanna in the highest!**

(Palm branches are held up during the reading)

Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

C Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Gathering Hymn

‘All Glory, Laud and Honor’

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

C Hosanna in the highest.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Word of Welcome

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The 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 awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I 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. ⁷The 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; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven

and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Passion According to St. Mark

Mark 14:1 – 15:47

Hymn of the Day

'O Sacred Head, Now Wounded'

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Stand as you are able

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

Peace *Greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

Please be seated

Offering

Stand as you are able

Offertory 'Create in Me'

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Offering Prayer

A Merciful God,

C receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we

**may know the joy of the resurrection;
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

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Lord's Prayer

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**C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

Please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

*Come to the communion rail by the center aisle
and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand.
Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If
you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are
invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ
is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.*

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'	p. 208
'Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross'	335
'Go to Dark Gethsemane' vs 1-3	347

Stand as you are able

Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Compassionate God,

C you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Blessing

Sending Hymn

'Christ, the Life of All the Living'

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Dismissal

A Marked with the cross of Christ,
go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for volunteers to be Assisting Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. The lists are shortened as people adjust their lifestyles. All of the positions are done on a rotational basis. The more we have the less often the same person needs to be responsible. Assisting Ministers and Lectors rotate weekly and the Ushers rotate monthly. Please prayerfully consider this as your mission. Guidance will be given. If you can help, please let Pastor Dan or any council member know. Thank you for your consideration.

Worship Assistants: March 25

Greeters: Mason –Cory & Mike Keeney
East – Sharon & Bob Meier

Assisting Minister: Tom Jensen

Lector: Cheryl Muggenthaler

Communion 8:30: Marty Grow

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: Joe Wilharms, Lindsey Wilharms, Dave
Wiese, Jon Seidl

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 03/18/18: 8:30 am–53 & 10:30 am–17

H.S. Grilled Cheese Lunch: 03/15/18 94

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Welcome to Grace

*Whether you are a member or visiting for the first
time, may God's grace surround you today.
There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.
If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Dorothy Henke and Ellen Holz

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Ken Johnson; Lloyd Learman; Judy Cross

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Marian Breitenfeldt; Drew Gilbert.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

EASTER LILIES will be used to decorate the chancel area during the Easter season. A suggested gift of \$10 or any amount you choose can be placed in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers". It is helpful to put your envelope number on it. There is a sign up sheet on the desk. **Today is the last day to order.**

We still need to be ready **when snow comes**. Please consider signing up to keep the sidewalks clear. Thank you!

Adult Forum is **TODAY** at 9:40 am. We will be looking at "Living the Toughest Teachings of Jesus."

Please don't forget to **sign the cards** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Don't forget to direct **Choice Dollars thru Thrivent** for grant funding. If you have Choice Dollars available, you have until **March 31, 2018** to direct your dollars. Call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" or go online to Thrivent.com/thrivent choice to learn more. Any questions can be directed to Susan Pringnitz as she has helped people do it.

Sunday 10% Giveback Program-Go to Texas Roadhouse in Appleton on Sunday with your church's bulletin or newsletter and they will donate 10% of your food purchases back to the church.

Don't forget your items for **Faith in Action** the first Sunday of any given month. It is very much appreciated.

GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD



Cow

\$500.00

Just one dairy cow can produce as many as 3 gallons of milk each day. Nutritious, calcium-packed milk from a cow helps ensure that children grow up healthy.

DON'T FORGET - HELP US FILL GOD'S SILO

The Northeast Wisconsin Passion Play will be at Xavier Fine Arts Theatre at Xavier High School 1:00 pm March 25. There is a flyer on the table in the narthex for more information and a flyer on the bulletin board by the back door.

Seeking Candidates for **Fox Valley Lutheran Homes Board**: Call Becky at 734-7225 for information and to get Board Recruitment Booklet. Term is 3 years. Meetings are monthly on 3rd Monday at 4 PM.

Linwood Place Annual Meeting: Our annual meeting is April 28. Every Partner Congregation should be represented. Registration starts at 8:30, meeting at 9:00. Any questions, call 734-7225.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Mar 25..... 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 a.m. Sunday School
9:40 Adult Forum
10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, Mar 26..... 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:30 p.m. FVC Board Mtg

Tuesday, Mar 27..... 8:30 a.m. Quilting
6:30 p.m. FV Chorus
6:30 p.m. Seeds Mtg

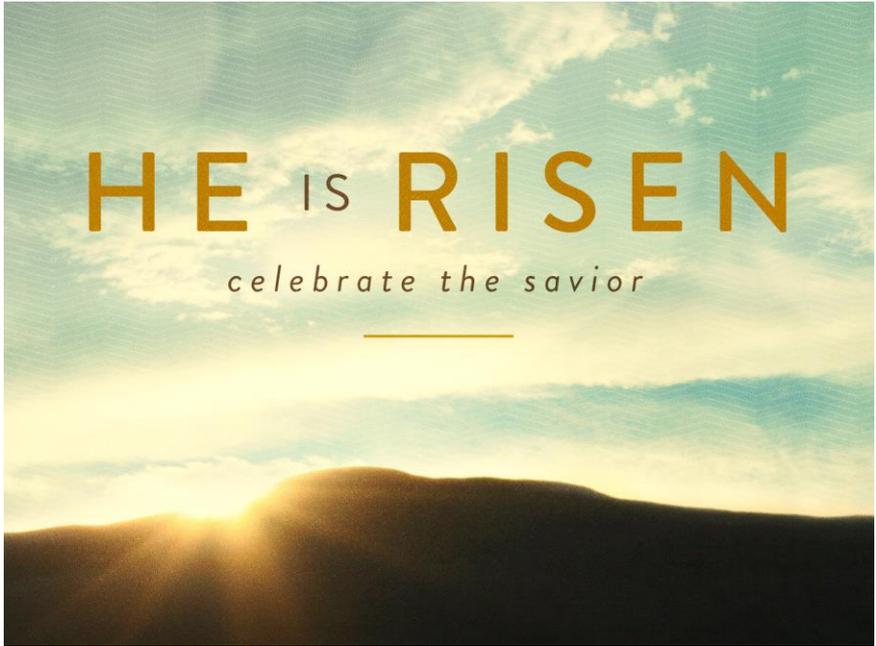
Wednesday, Mar 28 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, Mar 29....6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, Mar 30..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
12:15 p.m. ELCA Synod Good Friday Worship at Grace

Saturday, Mar 31..... 9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
10:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast Kitchen prepping
and set up tables and chairs

Sunday, Apr 1..... 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast
10:30 a.m. Worship



**Please join us for Easter Sunday
April 1st 2018**

Worship at 8:30 am and 10:30 am

**Easter Breakfast between services
at approximately 9:30 am**



But the table will be full! Join us