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Serving in Worship

TODAY: March 26, 2023

Altar: Margot Birkholz

Reader: Trey Sherwood

Communion Assistants:

Trey Sherwood & Stuart Guarnieri

Fellowship: OPEN

NEXT SUNDAY: April 2, 2023

Altar: Conyers Family

Reader: Congregation

Communion Assistant:

Lily Conyers

Fellowship: OPEN

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**Trinity
Lutheran Church**



**Sunday, March 26, 2023
Palm Sunday Celebration**

PRELUDE: *Here I am to Worship (Hughes)*

WELCOME

ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

BLESSING OF PALMS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray together.

**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.
Amen.**

ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!



God's work.
Our hands.
SO SIGN UP!

Trinity, it's going to take all of us.

I want to thank you all for all the ways you have served, but recently we have experienced a reduction in volunteers signing up to assist with ministry. So often we shun the limelight, but Trinity needs your participation and here is how you can help.

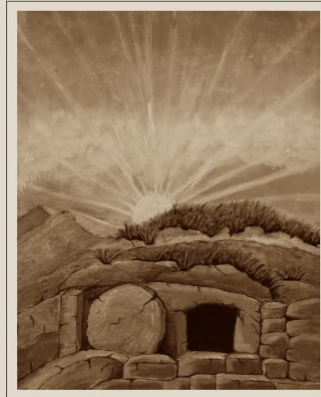
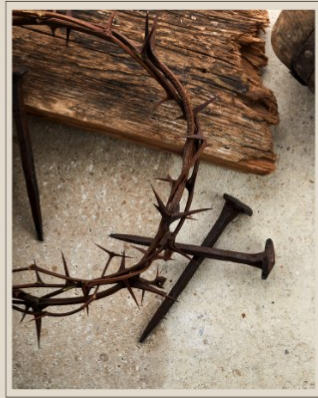
Each week of ministry this season we need volunteers for:

- *Lenten Suppers*
- *Communion Assistants*
- *Worship Readers*
- *Altar Guild*
- *Fellowship*

We especially need volunteers for Passion Sunday and Good Friday: 9 readers for Passion Sunday and at least 4 readers for Good Friday. We will also need volunteers to bring continental breakfast foods for Easter Sunday.

Serving your faith community not only has deep impact on your faith life, but it truly impacts the ministry that we are called to do together. We are better together. Please sign up at a Gruver Room or North Entryway bulletin board. Thank you so much in advance.

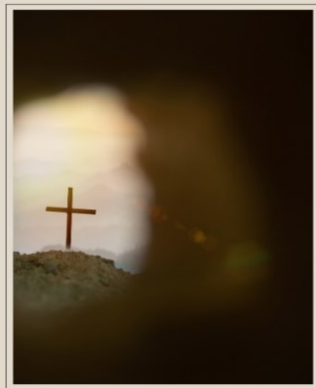
Pastor Nathan Keith



Holy Week

O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?

April 2nd	9:00am	Passion Sunday Commemoration
April 6th	6:30pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
April 7th	6:30pm	Good Friday Worship
April 9th	9:00am	Resurrection of Our Lord followed by Easter Fellowship



OPENING HYMN: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* (ELW 344)

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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God is faithful, leading us into freedom,
but we are conditioned to the slavery of sin.
Comfortable with the way things are,
we lose sight of the way God intends them to be.
We bring our confession before our God and one another.

**O God, our refuge and fortress,
forgive us when we fail to trust in you.
We fall to temptation;
we are swayed by false words;
we speak false words of our own.
We choose our ease and comfort
over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.
In turning from you,
we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.
Forgive us, we pray.
Do not let us be put to shame, O God.
Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

Scripture declares,
The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name.
Friends, believe the good news:
God does not turn away from us,
but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom
offered in Jesus Christ.
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.
Thanks be to God

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Trinity Happenings:

Sun, Mar 26:	9:00am	Palm Sunday Celebration
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm
	10:15am	CrossWalk with the Communion Class
Wed, Mar 29:	10:00am	Women's Bible Study in Gruver Rm
	5:45pm	Lenten Soup Supper in Gruver Rm
	6:30pm	Holden Evening Prayer in Sanctuary
Thu, Mar 30:	11:30am	MUGG Campus Meeting @ Rendezvous Café
Sat, Apr 1:	10:00am	Church Deep Cleaning w/ Potluck Lunch
Sun, Apr 2:	9:00am	Passion Sunday Commemoration
	10:15am	Fellowship in Gruver Rm
Wed, Apr 5:	10:00am	NO Women's Bible Study
Thu, Apr 6:	11:30am	NO MUGG Campus Meeting
	6:30pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
Fri, Apr 7:	6:30pm	Good Friday Worship
Sun, Apr 9:	9:00am	Resurrection of Our Lord
	10:15am	Easter Fellowship in Gruver Rm



SENDING HYMN: *Blessed Be the God of Israel* (ELW 250)

1 Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
 2 With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
 3 My child, as proph-et of the Lord you will pre-pare the way,

and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da-vid's tree.
 the oath once sworn to A - bra-ham, from foes to save us all;
 to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.

So have the proph-ets long de-clared that with a might-y arm
 that we might wor - ship with-out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
 Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease

God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
 in ho - li - ness and righ - teous-ness to serve God all our days.
 to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

KYRIE

Refrain
 Ky-ri-e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be
peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and
Refrain
hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-
le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and
join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

COMMUNION

*White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available.
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond
Amen.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC:

He is Exalted (Paris)
I Love You Lord (Klein)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.
Compassionate God, 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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

God, the giver of love,
✚ Christ, the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth
bless you in this Lenten journey.
Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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



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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together.

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.

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD;

here the righteous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have answered me

and you have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

²³By the LORD has this been done;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵Hosanna! O LORD, save us!

We pray to you, LORD, prosper our days!

²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD;

we bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷The LORD is God and has given us light.

Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.

²⁸You are my God, and I will thank you;

you are my God, and I will exalt you.

²⁹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

READING: Zechariah 9:8-15a

⁸Then I will encamp at my house as a guard,
so that no one shall march to and fro;
no oppressor shall again overrun them,
for now I have seen with my own eyes.

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

¹³For I have bent Judah as my bow;
I have made Ephraim its arrow.

I will arouse your sons, O Zion,
against your sons, O Greece,
and wield you like a warrior's sword.

¹⁴Then the LORD will appear over them,
and his arrow go forth like lightning;
the Lord GOD will sound the trumpet
and march forth in the whirlwinds of the south.

¹⁵The LORD of hosts will protect them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Come to the Table* (ELW 481)



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

COMMUNITY PRAYERS:

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (ELW 752)

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

The image shows a musical score for two systems. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system has lyrics: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;". The second system has lyrics: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace." The music is written in a simple, accessible style with block chords and rhythmic patterns.

Save us in your love, O God. Your Spirit of life dwells in our assembly. Bless the ministries of this congregation and all who lead us. Guide the work of church musicians, pastors, readers, technicians, and all who assist in worship. Sustain them in their leadership through this Holy Season.

Save your church, O God. As you came to the aid of your saints of old, so deliver us in times of trial, that every knee would bend in praise to you. Enable us to boldly confess in every time and place that Jesus Christ is Lord. With the humility of a servant, equip congregations, synods, and other ministry settings to proclaim your extravagant love for all.

Save those who cry to you in any need, O God. Restore dignity to those who are scorned and persecuted. Be present with those feeling isolated, lonely, or fearful and those who are troubled by illness. You hear us when we call to you. Deliver us from the depths of our despair, and free us from the worries that bind us.

Save your creation, O God. Every living being you have made has purpose. Give us renewed appreciation of farm animals who labor in the fields, service animals who accompany their human companions, and beloved pets who live alongside us. We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying 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. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"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."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The 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!"

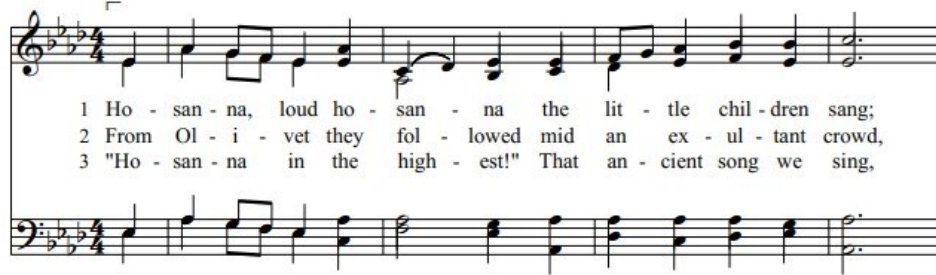
¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

The gospel of the Lord.

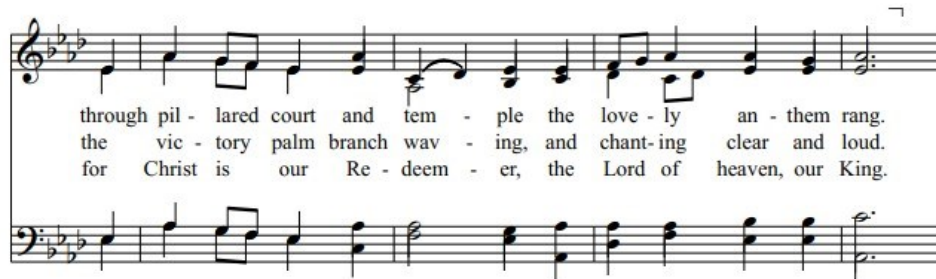
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

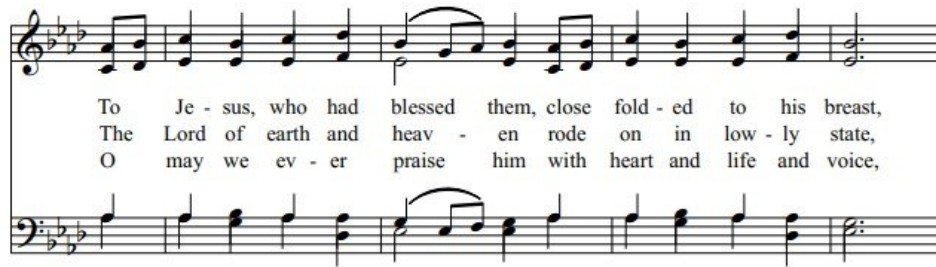
HYMN: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (Threlfall)



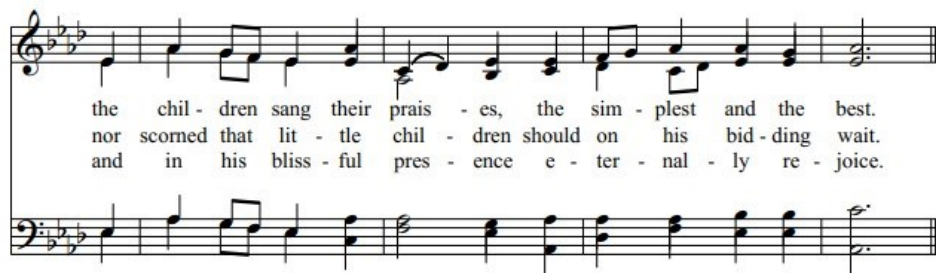
1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,



through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
the vic - tory palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
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,
The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
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.
nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.