



PALM SUNDAY

HOSANNA TO THE KING

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Yorktown, Texas

April 13, 2025

TODAY on Palm Sunday (the beginning of Holy Week) we begin our service with the procession of Palms reminding ourselves of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem just days before His crucifixion.

Silent Prayer to Prepare for Worship

Holy God, make your presence known to us today. We come to you as we are, called to be saints, holy ones, but so often less than our calling. Help us this hour to let go of those sins to which we cling. Help us to know that our self-worth does not depend so much on our ability to hold on to our lives, as on your power to release ourselves into your hands. Amen.

PRELUDE

BELL

***GATHERING**

Please stand and face the rear entry to the sanctuary

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna to the Son of David.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

***PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL**

Luke 19:28-40

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "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. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now 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, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

***THANKSGIVING**

The members of the congregation raise their branches.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.

We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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 the Lord.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**


"All Glory, Laud and Honor" LBW #108

All Glory, Laud, and Honor


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 is 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.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760-821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us confess our sins to God, sincerely repent of them and seek his mercy.

C: Holy God, I have marched in the hosanna-filled parade, come to the foot of the cross and stood at the empty tomb. I have heard the testimonies of changed lives. Yet I am slow to believe. I am your child in my baptism, but I have lived as though you and my neighbor did not matter. I have broken all your laws in my heart, in my words, in my actions, and in my inactions. My sin is my fault and no one else's. God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

P: Lift up your hearts and rejoice! God has heard your cry for mercy and seen your sorrow for sin. His own word promises that "he who believes and is baptized shall be saved," and that if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." By the command of my Lord Jesus Christ and in his stead, I therefore announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 50:4–9a

Lector: A reading from _____.

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 wakens —
wakens 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.

⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON Philippians 2:5–11

Lector: A reading from _____.

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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE (remain seated)

1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me,
 2 He came from his blest throne, sal - va - tion to be - stow;
 love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.
 but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.
 Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail
 But, oh, my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his
 flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 life did spend; who at my need his life did spend!

GOSPEL Luke 22:14—23:56 (remain seated)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. _____, the _____ chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read.

(After the reading:)

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN

“Ah, Holy Jesus” **LBW #123**

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that man to
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
treason, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for man's a - tone - ment,
sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.
Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

***PRAYERS**

P: ... Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;

I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;

all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

*OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C: **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*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.**

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS

All those who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome at His table. Those who are unable to receive communion, for any reason, may come forward to receive a blessing, and may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. Parents, please indicate if children are to receive communion. If they are not yet receiving communion, children are encouraged to come to the table to receive a blessing. Available in the center of each tray is juice for those choosing not to drink wine. If you are unable to come to the altar and wish to receive communion, please inform the ushers so that the sacrament may be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: *“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.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNION HYMNS:

“In The Hour of Trial” LBW #106

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus” LBW #107

“Where Charity and Love Prevail” LBW #126

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING:**

P: May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart.

C: Amen.

P: May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds.

C: Amen.

P: May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace.

C: Amen.

P: And may God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

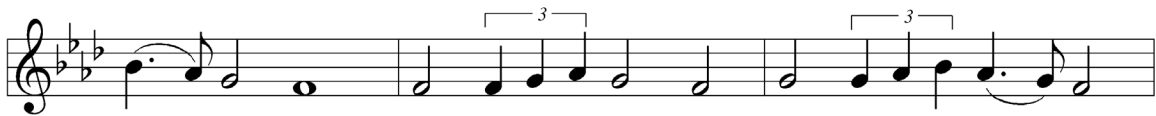
"Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow"

LBW #355

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow



1 Through the night of doubt and sor - row on - ward goes the
 2 One the light of God's own pres - ence on his ran - somed
 3 One the strain that lips of thou - sands lift as from the
 4 On - ward, there - fore, sis - ters, broth - ers; on - ward, with the



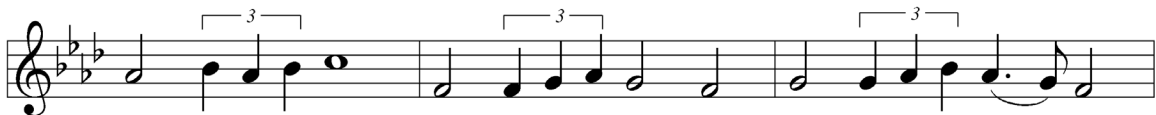
pil - grim band, sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion,
 peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the gloom and ter - ror,
 heart of one; one the con - flict, one the per - il,
 cross our aid. Bear its shame, and fight its bat - tle



march - ing to the prom - ised land.
 bright - 'ning all the path we tread.
 one the march in God be - gun.
 till we rest be - neath its shade.



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and burns the
 One the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the faith which
 One the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the far e -
 Soon shall come the great a - wak - 'ning; soon the rend - ing



guid - ing light; pil - grim clasps the hand of pil - grim
 nev - er tires, one the ear - nest look - ing for - ward,
 ter - nal shore, where the one al - might - y Fa - ther
 of the tomb! Then the scat - t'ring of all shad - ows,



step - ping fear - less through the night.
 one the hope our God in - spires.
 reigns in love for - ev - er - more.
 and the end of toil and gloom.

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: As we go in peace we share that peace with each other. The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

* You are invited to stand as you are able at these times in the worship service.

ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13, 2025

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES:

APRIL 13, 2025 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Palm Sunday

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Debbie Kneese

Acolytes: Kellan & Annie Hahn

Musicians: Saturday – Rebecca Innocenti Sunday – Beverly Bruns

Saturday Altar Guild: Barbara Cramer

APRIL 17, 2025 – 7:00 PM SERVICE

Maundy Thursday

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad **Readers:** Shirley K. Mueller/Trent Foerster

Acolytes: Acolytes Needed

Musician: Beverly Bruns

Altar Guild: Linda Hurta & Luellen Smiley

APRIL 18, 2025 – 10:00 AM SERVICE

Good Friday

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Debbie Kneese

Acolytes: Acolytes Needed

Musician: Beverly Bruns

APRIL 18, 2025 – 7:00 PM SERVICE

Good Friday

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Larry Gohmert

Acolytes: Acolytes Needed

Musician: Beverly Bruns

There will be no Saturday Service on April 19, 2025.

APRIL 20, 2025 – 7:00 AM SERVICE

Easter Sunday

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Karen Dueser

Acolytes: Paige & Madilynn Rippamonti

Musician: Beverly Bruns

Altar Guild: Misty Corpus & Peggy Oliver

APRIL 20, 2025 – 10:30 AM SERVICE

Easter Sunday

Presiding Minister: Tim W Muehlbrad

Reader: Susan Carmichael

Acolytes: Emma & Elli Bargmann

Musician: Beverly Bruns

Altar Guild: Judy Hilbrich & Krista Kerlick

Helping with Worship during the month of April:

Head Usher: Ricky Hilbrich

Ushers: Clark Kerlick, Arlen Parma, Michael Ressman, & Don Wieland

Saturday Usher: Albert Metting

Altar Guild: Misty Corpus & Peggy Oliver

Maundy Thursday (April 17): Linda Hurta & Luellen Smiley

Easter Sunday (April 20): 7:00 am – Misty Corpus & Peggy Oliver

10:30 am – Judy Hilbrich & Krista Kerlick

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Thank you to all who have been helpful in keeping the Pastor informed of members who are hospitalized.

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S PEOPLE Below is a list of individuals Pastor has been asked to include in our prayers during worship. We list these people in our bulletin to encourage you, the members, to include them in your daily prayers. *Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the request is renewed.*

Joe Barnes	Bonnie Kaiser	Courtney Scott
Caroline Blain	Mary Kanuch	Dorothy Sinast
Warner Borth	Clark Kerlick	Joan Smith
David Brucker	Joyce Lamprecht	Kennedy Smith
Virginia Buesing	Ray Lange	Lori Nelson Stenger
Carl Clyne	Janet Lemke	Mike & Deborah Stern
Carlos Esquivel	Elaine Malina	Alma Suggs
Teresa Evans	Lin Migura	Judy Taylor
Kathryn Gloor	Lanie Milliff	Chandler Vaclavik
Tiffany Godby	Larry & Carole Mueller	Baby Mae Weischwill
Daniel Goehring	David Norrell	Mark Weischwill
Rosa Horton	Jeannine Robinson	Levi Wilhelmsen
Keith Ibrom	Bennett Rohan	Ron & Marjorie Wilhelmsen
Joanna Ivy	Pam Roth	Olivia Wilkerson
Alberto Jimenez, Jr.	Mary Sauermilch	The Zimmerman Family

ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

Sunday (13th)

PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion

10:15 am Sunday School

Wednesday (16th)

9:15 am TLG Chapel

9:30 am Do-Day

Thursday (17th)

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

Friday (18th)

GOOD FRIDAY

Church Office Closed

10:00 am Good Friday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Saturday (19th)

10:00 am Easter Program and Egg Hunt

NO SATURDAY SERVICE

Sunday (20th)

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 am Early Service Worship with Holy Communion

8:00 am Easter Breakfast

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

Today we are having a special Sunday School lesson led by our JH Youth. We would like to welcome any parents, grandparents, or other adults to join us as we travel through Jesus' life from his birth through the crucifixion. You are invited to travel with us or meet up with us along our journey. We're going to start in the basement at 10:15, move up through the Sanctuary, and end in the Chapel. After the lesson, you're invited to meet us in the Fellowship Hall around 11:15 for a sampling of the traditional Passover foods that Jesus and the disciples would have eaten at the Last Supper.

WINDOW INSTALLATION: The windows for the Educational Building will be installed the week of April 21, 2025. Depending on unforeseen issues, the installation is anticipated to be around 5-6 days. Please be patient during the installation process.

SR. RECOGNITION SUNDAY, MAY 4TH - On Sunday, May 4, 2025, we will recognize our graduating seniors: Trent Foerster, Layne Geffert, Braden Hahn, and Cameron Willis. Join us as we proudly recognize their accomplishments and extend our best wishes for their future! Each of these seniors will be eligible for a scholarship from St. Paul Lutheran Church. If anyone would like to contribute, donations/memorials can be made to the Sr. Scholarship Fund at any time during the year. Your generosity has and will continue to make a difference in the future of our youth! **CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2025!!!**

WE HAVE A NEW SECREARY! Amanda Bade Rodriguez will be replacing Katie as our church secretary. Amanda's first day will be Tuesday, April 22, 2025. She comes with a great deal of experience and skill. During this transition, please be patient and courteous while Amanda is learning the ins and outs of St. Paul. If you come by the office, please introduce yourself with your first and last name. Your prayers and patience are encouraged and appreciated for this time of transition.

FAREWELL RECEPTION: The congregation is invited to a farewell reception for Katie Serrano on Sunday, May 4th, immediately following the church service in the Fellowship Hall. We will be honoring Katie's 7 years of dedicated service as St. Paul's office secretary.

St. Paul is looking for an "as needed" handyman as a paid position. For more information, contact Larry Gohmert or the church office.

The Pictorial Directories are in! Please call the church office to make arrangements to receive yours.

Upcoming Christian Life Events:

May 4, 2025 – Farewell reception for Katie in the fellowship hall.

June 8, 2025 – Day of Pentecost: Chicken Spaghetti Meal; Congregation is asked to bring a **RED** dessert.

Upcoming Youth Events

April 20, 2025 – Youth Host Easter Breakfast – Fellowship Hall

May 7, 2025 – Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Steak Dinner – Fellowship Hall

May 10 & 11, 2025 – Youth will pass out gifts for Mother's Day

June 14, 2025 – Paint & Praise w/Nancy Beeson: 1-3pm \$35 per person

June 14 & 15, 2025 – Youth will pass out gifts for Father's Day

August 1, 2025 – Annual Swim Party: 7-9 pm Cuero Pool & Swim Pad

September 7, 2025 – Grandparents Day Reception: Fellowship Hall, during SS Hour

Upcoming Area Events

SAN LUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL JAMAICA will be held on Sunday, April 27, 2025. Carne Guisada Dinner, served with rice and beans (\$15 a plate) will be served at 11:00 am. Homemade tamales; country store; cake walk; children's activities; bingo, live auction, and more! For more information, see the flyer posted on the Educational Building door.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

April 13 – PALM SUNDAY

- 9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:15 am Special Presentation for Sunday School

April 17 – MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 7:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

April 18 - GOOD FRIDAY

- 10:00 am Good Friday Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

April 19 – NO SATURDAY SERVICE

- 10:00 am Easter Program and Egg Hunt

April 20 – EASTER

- 7:00 am Early Service Worship with Holy Communion
- 8:00 am Easter Breakfast
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

April 27 – DECORATION DAY

- 10:30 am Cemetery Decoration Service at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery

Children's Sunday School will be at the Cemetery during Decoration Day.

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