

**Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church (online edition)**

**April 5, 2020**

**Palm Sunday**



*Welcome to this new way of gathering together! While we cannot be physically present with one another, we know that as we gather in God's name, Christ is truly present.*

*Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live. It will later be posted on our YouTube page ([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber)) and our website <http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/>.*

*You may join us live (and comment below the feed to let them know you're there) or worship at whatever time works best for you. Invite others to join us as well!*

*Listed here is the basic order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns picked by Franklyn that you may either listen to now or later. I will sing (at least) the first verse of each hymn which are printed in the order of worship if you would like to sing along.*

*Congregational responses are in bold, which I will still read, but invite you to read aloud wherever you may be worshipping. Though I cannot hear you, we know that we are speaking together from where we all are for God's ears and attention.*

*At the end of this document, you will find additional links for other service opportunities and brief announcements.*

**Setting up:** Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin.

**Introduction:** When the people of Israel called for Jesus to save them, they could not have imagined that Jesus would save them from sin and death. Jesus was not only king over Israel, but king over all.

**Welcome**

*You are invited to comment below the video if there are particular prayers that you would like to lift up and have others pray about during the week.*

## **Palm Blessing & Processional**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter      **Glory to you, O Lord**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and 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. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says to you, "**Why are you doing this?**" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." ' <sup>4</sup>They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup>some of the bystanders said to them, '**What are you doing, untying the colt?**' <sup>6</sup>They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. <sup>7</sup>Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

**'Hosanna!**

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

<sup>10</sup> **Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!**

**Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

<sup>11</sup> Then 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.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## **Blessing of Palms**

This blessing can be heard coming from a long way off.

**This blessing is making its steady way up the road toward you.**

This blessing blooms in the throats of women

**springs from the hearts of men**

tumbles from the mouths of children.

**This blessing is stitched into the seams of the cloaks that line the road,**

etched into the branches that trace the path,

**echoes in the breathing of the willing colt,**

the click of the donkey's hoof against the stones.

**Something is rising beneath this blessing.**

Something will try to drown it out.

**But this blessing cannot be turned back,**

cannot be made to still its voice,

**cannot cease to sing its praise of the one who comes along the way it makes.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

God of abundant grace and glory, bless these branches and those that bear them.

**As we lift up our voices in praise, may our daily lives echo this praise.**

As we gather together and as we are sent forth from this time of worship

**May our own shouts of hosanna ring true along our life's path**

Let us go forth now in praise and celebration of Christ our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem

**GATHERING HYMN**

**"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"**

**344**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h3a8fTTrAdE>

*Refrain* All glory, laud, and honor to you, redeemer, king,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1 You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain*
- 5 Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,  
great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. *Refrain*

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Time with kids:** Is it a Parade?

**Prayer of the Day**

O God, **You give us the king we need. May we follow where he leads, even when it is not where we want to go. For the sake of Jesus we pray, amen.**

**Readings: Psalm 118:25-29**

<sup>25</sup> **Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!**

O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

<sup>26</sup> **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.**

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

<sup>27</sup> **The LORD is God,**

**and he has given us light.**

**Bind the festal procession with branches,  
up to the horns of the altar.**

<sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

**you are my God, I will extol you.**

<sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

**for his steadfast love endures for ever.**

Word of God, Word of life **Thanks be to God!**

## Holy Gospel: Mark 14:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter **Glory to you, O Lord**

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of the Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, **“not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.”**

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. <sup>4</sup>But some were there who said to one another in anger, **‘Why was the ointment wasted in this way?’** <sup>5</sup>For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.’ And they scolded her. <sup>6</sup>But Jesus said, ‘Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. <sup>7</sup>For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. <sup>8</sup>**She has done what she could;** she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. <sup>9</sup>Truly I tell you, **wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world,** what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.’

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

## Sermon

**Hymn of the Day** Hail to the Lord's Anointed (ELW 311)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkMNO\\_tEfx4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkMNO_tEfx4)

- 1 Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed, your reign on earth begun!  
You come to break oppression, to set the captive free,  
To take away transgression and rule in equity*
- 2 You come with rescue speedy to those who suffer wrong  
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in your sight.*

## Apostle's 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.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*(In this time of prayer, I will lift up prayers for those things that are listed below. You are invited to share in the comments, in your own gatherings and in your thoughts additional prayers)*

We pause in this time of prayer and humbly place before you all that is in our hearts and minds as we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need

*A brief silence.*

For our Church and all faith communities....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For our communities and our leaders.....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For all those in the medical, and caring professions, fire, police and other service professionals ....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For those who provide other essential services .... Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For those unable to work....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For those who are isolated as well as those who have no one to name them ....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For those who are homeless, hungry, or without access to medical help....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For the sick, hospitalized, suffering....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

For teachers and students...Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our Prayer**

*Silence for additional prayers*

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting always in your mercy and compassion given us through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Sharing the Peace**

The Peace of the Christ be with you always **And also with you**

*(you are invited to share the peace with those who are with you, by commenting below as well as by calling or sending a message later to someone)*

**Offering** *(You are invited to listen to this song as our “anthem” for this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org) )*

Anthem: "Blessed Is He Who Comes" Lloyd Larson

[https://www.hopecublishing.com/W1061 BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES](https://www.hopecublishing.com/W1061_BLESSED_IS_HE_WHO_COMES)

### Offering Prayer

We offer our gifts—and our hearts—before you in gratitude and thanksgiving. May all the world know your gentle mercy, and that you have come to make all things new. In Jesus' name, **amen**.

### Lord's Prayer

*We let these familiar words sink into our hearts and rise before us as we pause after each phrase.*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, (pause)**  
**hallowed be Thy name, (pause)**  
**Thy kingdom come, (pause)**  
**Thy will be done (pause)**  
**on earth as it is in heaven. (pause)**  
**Give us this day our daily bread; (pause)**  
**and forgive us our trespasses (pause)**  
**as we forgive those who trespass against us; (pause)**  
**and lead us not into temptation, (pause)**  
**but deliver us from evil. (pause)**  
**For thine is the kingdom (pause)**  
**and the power (pause)**  
**and the glory (pause)**  
**forever and ever. (pause)**  
**Amen.**

### Mission & Ministry announcements

### Blessing

**Sending Hymn** Blessed Be the God of Israel ELW 250

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xB3aC7iE1-Y>

- 1 Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free  
And raises up new hope for us: a Branch from David's tree  
So have the prophets long declared that with a mighty arm  
God would turn back our enemies and all who wish us harm*
- 2 With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall,  
The oath once sworn to Abraham, from foes to save us all;  
That we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise  
In holiness and righteousness to serve God all our days*

### Dismissal

Go, in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God!**

## **Announcements**

**Holy Week Worship schedule** (all on Facebook Live, then posted to YouTube)  
Worship outlines will be sent out next week in time for each of the services

*Maundy Thursday (7pm)*

*Good Friday (noon – Stations of the Cross)  
(7pm – Tenebrae service)*

*Easter Sunday (9:30am)*

**Holy Week resources:** A separate mailing was sent out with activities to do at home during Holy Week.  
Note – the additional Zoom gathering below for Maundy Thursday

**Zoom Gatherings** (*contact Pastor Jen to be sent the specific links for the gathering(s) you'd like to attend ([revjedyer1@yahoo.com](mailto:revjedyer1@yahoo.com) or call/text 518-231-4633):*

### **Weekly gatherings**

**Monday** (5pm) Praying together

**Wednesdays** (7pm) Bible study (no study on April 8<sup>th</sup>)

**Sundays** (noon) Coffee hour/Fellowship

10:15am Sunday School

10:30am Affirmation (contact Charlie Germain for link)

### **Special Zoom gathering**

**Maundy Thursday (2pm)** *Recalling the Passover activities*

### **Offering**

*You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*

### **Additional Resources**

[www.mnys.org](http://www.mnys.org) The Bishop's office will be offering weekly worship opportunities as well.

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org) Stay up to date on how the Church continues to serve across the country