

A close-up photograph of a green palm frond, showing the intricate vein structure of the leaves. The frond is a vibrant green, and the background is softly blurred, showing more of the same foliage. Overlaid on this image is white text in a clean, sans-serif font. The text is arranged in several lines, with the largest words being "BLESSED", "IS HE", and "LORD!".

**"BLESSED
IS HE
WHO COMES IN THE
NAME OF THE
LORD!"**

JOHN 12:13

THE ORDER OF THE DIVINE SERVICE
PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
APRIL 10, 2022 – 8:00 AM

A warm welcome to all worshipping at Resurrection Lutheran Church today! We celebrate together God's work in our lives as we receive His Word to strengthen our relationship with Him and one another. Here, God builds us up by grace, through faith, and for service!

LESSONS AND LITURGY TODAY

Today begins a Holy Week – set apart for the special purpose of remembering and honoring Jesus Christ for the gift of salvation through His Holy Precious Blood, and His Innocent Suffering and Death. We focus on events in our Lord's Life including His Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem; and His ensuing Passion and Death on the cross; culminating with His Glorious Resurrection.

❖ Denotes times when the congregation is invited to stand.

The congregation is encouraged to quietly and prayerfully prepare for worship during the prelude.

PRELUDE

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WELCOME

❖ **INVOCATION**

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

❖ **THE ENTRANCE TO HOLY WEEK**

P The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **And also with you.**

P Hosanna! Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord!
C **Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!**



PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

John 12:12-19 [ESV]

(The triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on a donkey.)

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P 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,

C **“Hosanna!”**

“Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord!

Even the King of Israel!”

P 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.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P When we were lost our Savior sought us out, found us and rested us on His Shoulders.

C **Our palms are raised in glory and honor to the One who has sought us out only and especially because He loves us.**

P Let us pray.
O God Who found us, bless these branches raised in Your Name and to Your Glory, that they would be used as a way of honoring Your Sacrifice and giving You praise. Be present in our praise that the words of grace You speak to us would resound back to You in shouts of joy and songs of acclaim. In the Great Name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

❖ **PROCESSIONAL** *Hosanna in the Highest* - arr. C. Courtney
Sanctuary Choir, Heavenly Handbells, Brass Ensemble

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blest is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

❖ **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Lord Jesus Christ, as we celebrate Your Triumphal, yet Peaceful, Entry into Jerusalem, remind us that You entered Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday to seek us out and to create the way that leads to our salvation. For we were lost in our sins, doomed to die eternally, and assaulted by the attacks of the devil. But now that we have been found by the Savior of the world, we are free to wave our palm branches in praise to You, the One Who lifts us on Your Shoulders and carries us home.
C **Strengthen our faith that we may be bold to honor, serve, and obey You in all things, for the Glory of Your Name, for You live and rule with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 32:36-39 [ESV]

(The Lord brings life and healing.)

For 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 118:19-29 [ESV]

(The king's song of thanksgiving for deliverance and victory.)

L Open to me the gates of righteousness,

C **that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.**

L This is the gate of the LORD;

C **the righteous shall enter through it.**

L I thank You that You have answered me

C **and have become my Salvation.**

L The Stone that the builders rejected

C **has become the Cornerstone.**

L This is the LORD's doing;

C **it is marvelous in our eyes.**

L This is the day that the LORD has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L Save us, we pray, O LORD!
C **O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

L Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the LORD.
C **We bless you from the House of the LORD.**

L The LORD is God,
C **and He has made His Light to shine upon us.**

L Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
C **up to the horns of the altar!**

L You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;
C **You are my God; I will exalt You.**

L Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is Good;
C **for His Steadfast Love endures forever!**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11 [ESV]

(Paul describes the humiliation of Christ in His Death, and the exaltation of Christ in His Resurrection.)

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 emptied Himself, by 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.

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



HOLY GOSPEL WITH ACCLAMATIONS – arr. R. Hillert

John 12:20-43

(Jesus predicts His Death.)

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



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him. “Now is My Soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour?’ But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify Your Name.” Then a Voice came from Heaven: “I have glorified It, and I will glorify It again.” The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to Him.” Jesus answered, “This Voice has come for your sake, not Mine.

Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also.

Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.

And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.”

He said this to show by what kind of death He was going to die.

So the crowd answered Him,

“We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever.

How can You say that the Son of Man must be lifted up?

Who is this Son of Man?”

So Jesus said to them,

“The light is among you for a little while longer.

Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you.

The one who walks in the darkness does
not know where he is going.
While you have the light, believe in the
light, that you may become sons of light.”
When Jesus had said these things, He

departed and hid Himself from them.
Though He had done so many signs
before them, they still did not believe in
Him, so that the word spoken by the
prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

*“Lord, who has believed what he heard from us,
and to whom has the Arm of the Lord been revealed?”
Therefore they could not believe.
For again Isaiah said,
“He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn,
and I would heal them.”*

Isaiah said these things because he saw His Glory and spoke of Him. Nevertheless, many
even of the authorities believed in Him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it,
so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the glory that comes
from man more than the glory that comes from God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

All Glory, Laud and Honor

LSB 442

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 Blessèd One. *Refrain*

2. The company of angels
Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation
In chorus make reply. *Refrain*

3. The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before You went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before You we present. *Refrain*

4. To You before Your passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. *Refrain*

5. As You received their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing,
Our good and gracious King. *Refrain*

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SERMON

Where to See True Kingship
John 12:12-19 (20-43)
(See Sermon Notes on Page 13)

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

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C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into Heaven
and sits at the Right Hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory

C to judge both the living and the dead,
Whose Kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the ✠ Life of the world to come. Amen.



GREETING OF PEACE

All are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (*Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3*)

OFFERING

(The offerings of God’s people will be received through electronic giving, by postal mail, and in baskets located in the Narthex. Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pads.)

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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1. Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;
To Jesus, Who had blessed them close folded to His Breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
2. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and Heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His Bidding wait.

**3. Hosanna in the highest! That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of Heaven, our King;
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in His Holy Presence eternally rejoice!**

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❖ **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord, in Your Mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into Your Hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray,
trusting in Your Mercy for the Sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

❖ **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.**

 BENEDICTION

P The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His Face to shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. (*Numbers 6:24-26*)

C Amen.

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

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Where to See True Kingship (John 12:12–19 [20–43])
Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion, Series C

The Jesus of Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday is not so much to be “understood” as His cross is to be seen and experienced. This is the week of the church year we see Jesus, the victorious king of our hearts, as the suffering Son of God on Calvary’s cross. Jesus, “lifted up” (to heaven, from the tomb, but most importantly...on the cross!), is King of sinners and screw ups...gathering us all today to Himself. Whether we feel we perfectly understand Jesus or not, we welcome Him as our King!

1. **Who does the Jerusalem crowd see and welcome today, with palm branches and shouts of “Hosanna!”? A man they believe can and will _____ on _____, rescuing them from death, starvation, and their Roman occupiers. They did not fully understand.** Not even Jesus’ own disciples fully understood the reason for His coming. Not even they had kept His cross in view.
2. **Who do we see when we, as people who cannot fully understand God’s purpose in our present struggles, encounter Jesus? Do we see a Savior we expect to empower us for OUR OWN goals and purposes...or do we see One we trust is working out _____ plan through us?** Yet “in *all things* God works for the good of those who love Him” (Rom 8:28).
3. **Who do we see when we, as people who cannot always understand the needs of others, see Jesus? Are we inclined to see Jesus only as our own personal Savior...or as a Savior who came to gather _____ to Himself (12:32)?** “For God so love the world that He gave His one-and-only Son...” (John 3:16).
4. **Today we see Jesus, our King, on a cross. Though we do not fully understand Him, He comes, all the same. In the mystery of the _____ He comes to us, bringing us His own body and blood in and with ordinary bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins.** We may not understand...but we see and experience His love for us. We trust and believe!

Holy Week Observances and Easter Sunday Celebrations

Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion Weekend

Saturday, April 9

6:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary

Sunday, April 10

8:00 am*, 9:30 am

Sanctuary Festival Worship with Holy Communion

11:00 am* Praise and Worship with Holy Communion, Family Life Center

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 14

4:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary

7:00 pm* Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
(First Communion for 5th Grade Students)

Good Friday

Friday, April 15

12:00 pm Worship, Sanctuary

7:00 pm* Tenebrae Service, A Service of Darkness, Sanctuary

Easter Weekend

Saturday, April 16 (No Worship Service)

Sunday, April 17

6:30 am Sanctuary Easter Worship

8:00 am*, 9:30 am

Sanctuary Easter Festival Worship with Holy Communion

11:00 am* Praise Worship with Holy Communion, Family Life Center

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