

**Welcome in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ!**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Irvine  
(LCMS)**

**Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion**

**Sunday, March 24, 2024**

**Divine Services**

**9:30 AM and 4:00 PM**

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**Vision**

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." Acts 2:42

**Mission**

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have command you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

## Service Offerings

- Sunday Divine Service at 9:30 am
  - Fellowship and Family Sunday School in Café at 10:45 am
  - Adult Bible Study at 11 am
  - Individual Confession & Absolution in Sanctuary at 2:30 pm
- Sunday Divine Service at 4:00 pm (Except Easter)
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 10 am
- Wednesday Evening Service at 7 pm (except March 27<sup>th</sup>)

## Welcome to Saint Paul's

We praise and glorify the Lord Jesus Christ as He comes to serve and bless us through His Word and Sacraments. We follow the ancient liturgy which is drawn from the Word of God to order and guide our worship. Its biblical structure has been used in the Christian Church before any denominations within Christianity existed. Our worship emphasizes order, beauty, and reverence. We also celebrate the Holy Eucharist and receive the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins. We are excited about what the Lord is doing at St. Paul's, and it is our great joy to serve you!

## This is the Saving Gospel/The Good News:

God sent His Son into our flesh and Jesus took **all** your sin upon Himself on Calvary's cross. He covered it with His blood. Through faith in Jesus, you now have eternal life! This is God's free gift of love and mercy on account of His Son. Please read Luke 24:47, John 3:16, John 1:29, John 6:51, 1 John 1:7, 1 John 2:2, Matthew 11:28, Romans 11:32, 2 Peter 3:9, Romans 10:12, Romans 3:22, and John 6:40.

## **The Lord's Supper**

The Holy Sacrament is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak to one of the pastors.

## **Prayer Before Divine Service**

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth. I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

# **We Assemble In the Café to Process**

## **Welcome to St. Paul's!**

Please be sure you receive your own palm frond.

We will follow the processional with bells as we enter the sanctuary. After we have entered the sanctuary, we will sing hymn #442 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor." It is appropriate to lift up your frond during the processional.

Before we begin to process...

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit ✠ be with you all.

**C** **And with your spirit.**

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

**C** **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

**P** Let us pray:

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands gathered to greet your dearly beloved Son when he came into his Holy City, grant that we may ever hail him as our King and, when he comes again, may go forth to meet him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

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

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

**P** The next day the great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it, as it is written, "Do not be afraid, O Daughter of Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt." At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him. Now the crowd that was with him had continued to spread the word that he had called Lazarus from the tomb, raising him from the dead. Many people, because they had heard that he had given his miraculous sign, went out to meet him. So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!" (John 12:12-19)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

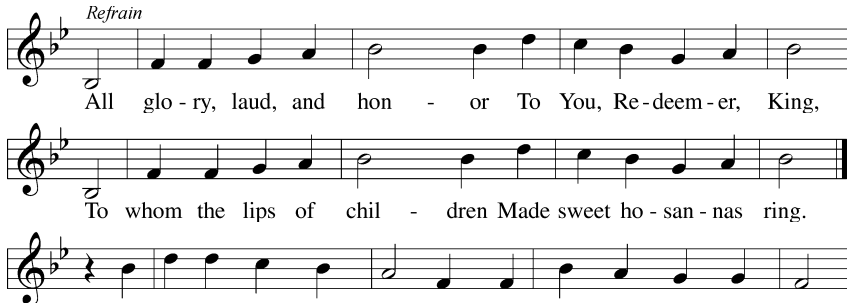
**P** Let us go forth in peace

**C in the name of the Lord.**

[Procession: Palm Bearer, Ringers, Crucifer, Acolyte, Book Bearer, Pastor, Palm Bearer, and Congregation].

## 442 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 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.  
And we with all cre - a - tion 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.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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## Confession and Absolution

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Kneel/Stand*

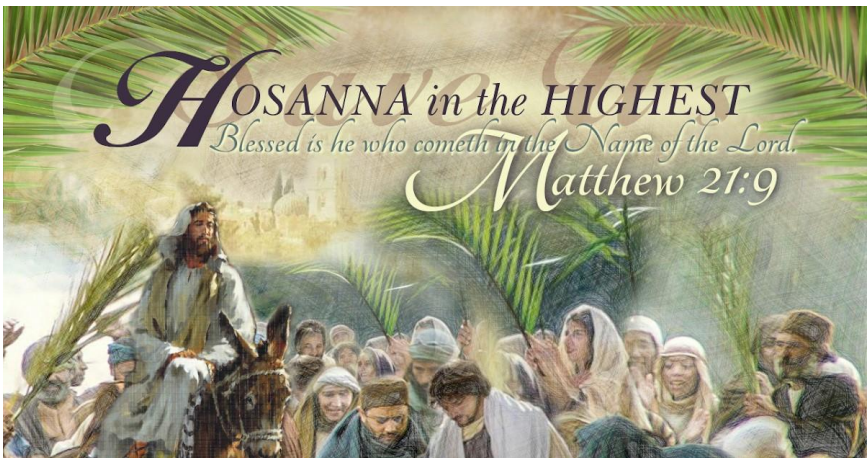
*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**


**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**




# Service of the Word


## 441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the  
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel  
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and  
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -  
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs  
 ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and  
 fier - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His  
 pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
 won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.  
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

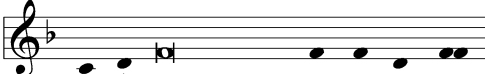
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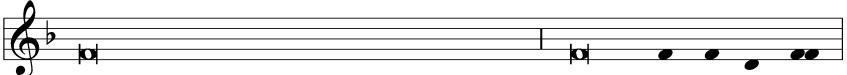
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.





**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



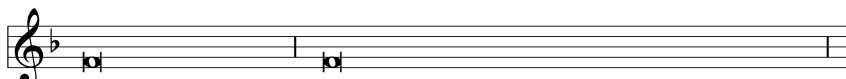
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



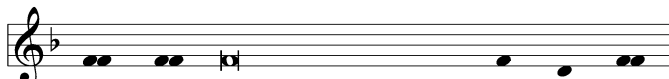
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



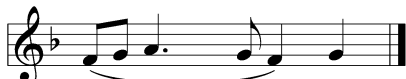
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Zechariah 9:9–12*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation is he,  
humble and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall speak peace to the nations;  
his rule shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

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

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

*Psalm 118:19–29; antiphon: v. 26*

**(Congregation chants BOLD even verses)**



Antiphon: <sup>26</sup>Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!\*

We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

<sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of | righteousness,\*  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks | to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>**This is the gate | of the LORD;\***  
**the righteous shall enter | through it.**

<sup>21</sup>I thank you that you have | answered me\*  
and have become my sal- | vation.

<sup>22</sup>**The stone that the builders re- | jected\***  
**has become the | cornerstone.**

<sup>23</sup>This is the LORD's | doing;\*  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>**This is the day that the | LORD has made;\***  
**let us rejoice and be | glad in it.**

<sup>25</sup>Save us, we pray, | O LORD!\*  
O LORD, we pray, give | us success!

<sup>26</sup>**Blessèd is he 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 made his light to shine up- | on us.\*

Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,  
up to the horns of the | altar!

**28 You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you;\***  
**you are my God; I will ex- | tol you.**

**29** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;\*  
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

Antiphon: **26** Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord!\*

We bless you from the house | of the Lord.

## Epistle

*Philippians 2:5–11*

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 15:1–47*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifteenth chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole Council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

And he answered him, "You have said so." <sup>3</sup>And the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup>And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." <sup>5</sup>But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

<sup>6</sup>Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. <sup>8</sup>And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. <sup>9</sup>And he answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup>For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. <sup>12</sup>And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup>And they cried out again, "Crucify him." <sup>14</sup>And Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." <sup>15</sup>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

<sup>16</sup>And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. <sup>17</sup>And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. <sup>18</sup>And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>19</sup>And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup>And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

<sup>21</sup>And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. <sup>22</sup>And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup>And it was the third

hour when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." <sup>27</sup>And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!" <sup>31</sup>So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup>Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

<sup>33</sup>And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup>And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup>And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." <sup>36</sup>And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." <sup>37</sup>And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup>And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

<sup>40</sup>There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. <sup>41</sup>When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.

<sup>42</sup>And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, <sup>43</sup>Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the Council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup>Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. <sup>45</sup>And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he

granted the corpse to Joseph. <sup>46</sup>And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup>Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Children's Message

*Sit*



## 438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The  
 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The  
 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll  
 4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the  
 Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther  
 bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to  
 taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes  
 chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go  
 Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O  
 robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -  
 forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren  
 won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers  
 I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the  
 from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and  
 up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how  
 be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in



stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and  
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion  
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -  
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall



yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."  
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."  
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion."  
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

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## Sermon

### *Stand*

(Please confess what is in **bold**)

The Second Article

P: *Christians, what is the Second Article of the Creed?*

**[I believe] ... in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: *What does this mean?*

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord,**

**who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,**

**that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,**

**just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

**This is most certainly true.**

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Holy Baptism - Fourth

P: Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ, *What does the water and the Word in your Holy Baptism into Christ indicate?*

**It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

P: *Where is this written?*

**St. Paul writes in Romans, chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:4)**

**Prayer of the Church**

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the Church of Christ, that her faith would remain fixed upon His death for our salvation, and that His Gospel would be proclaimed and lived out until He comes again in glory, let us pray to the Lord:

**G Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the world, that the Lord would uphold it in His order; for the Church, that she would be defended from all enemies; for our homes, that God would bless parents and children in service toward each other and faith until life's end; and for

the government, that God would grant all authorities health and wisdom, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For a mind like Christ Jesus to spurn all worldly equality, that we would humble ourselves here and find His greater portion in the life of the world to come, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who suffer in this world, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], that they would not fear but fix their eyes on Jesus as they await the fullness of their salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For worthy reception of Christ's body and blood, that as He once entered Jerusalem to cries of "hosanna," so we may receive Him according to His promises for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show us the answer to Your people's prayers of "hosanna" in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## Offertory

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**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Announcements

### +Dismissal of Online Participants and Blessing+

[1 Corinthians 11:23-29 instructs pastors since they are stewards of the mysteries (1 Corinthians 4:1) to serve only those who share in a common confession. If you are still learning about our confession and not yet confirmed, you may come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest. Pastor would love to meet with you to prepare you to receive the Holy Sacrament.]

## Service of the Sacrament

# Preface

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**P** The Lord be with you.



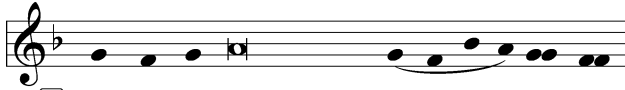
**G** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them to the Lord.



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

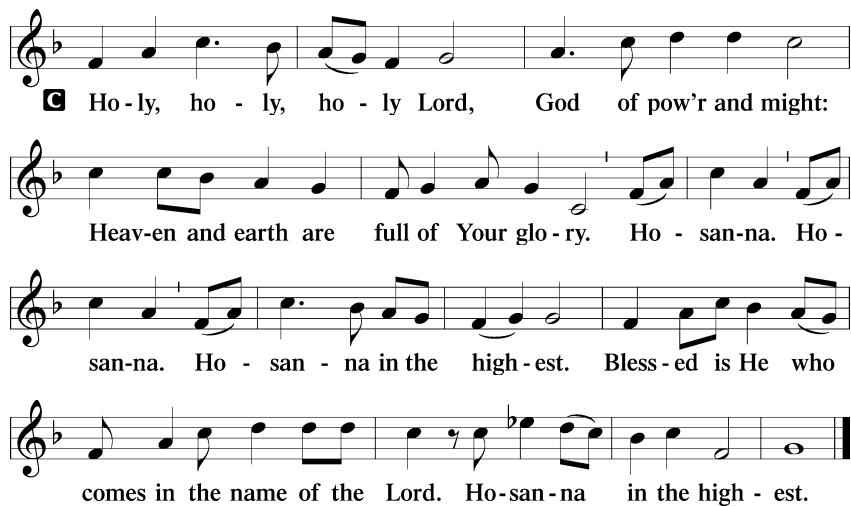


**G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

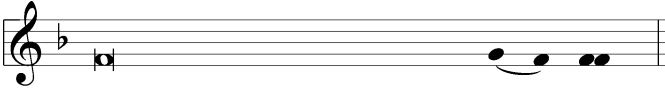
## Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**Pax Domini**

LSB 163



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

**Agnus Dei**

LSB 163



**C** 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.

*Sit*

**Distribution**

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

**Amen.**



Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

**Amen.**

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

**G** **Amen.**

**Michael Miller on clarinet at the back of the sanctuary for our distribution music before the sung hymns.**

### 512 At the Name of Jesus



1 At the name of Je - sus Ev - 'ry knee shall bow,  
2 At His voice cre - a - tion Sprang at once to sight,  
3 Hum - bled for a sea - son, To re - ceive a name  
4 Bore it up tri - um - phant With its hu - man light,



Ev - 'ry tongue con - fess Him King of glo - ry now.  
All the an - gel fac - es, All the hosts of light,  
From the lips of sin - ners Un - to whom He came,  
Through all ranks of crea - tures To the cen - tral height,



'Tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure We should call Him Lord,  
Thrones and bright do - min - ions, Stars up - on their way,  
Faith - ful - ly He bore it Spot - less to the last,  
To the throne of God - head, To the Fa - ther's breast,



Who from the be - gin - ning Was the might - y Word.  
All the heav'n - ly or - ders In their great ar - ray.  
Brought it back vic - to - rious When from death He passed;  
Filled it with the glo - ry Of that per - fect rest.

5 In your hearts enthrone Him;  
There let Him subdue  
All that is not holy,  
All that is not true:  
Crown Him as your captain

In temptation's hour;  
Let His will enfold you  
In its light and pow'r.

6 Christians, this Lord Jesus  
Shall return again  
In His Father's glory,  
With His angel train;  
For all wreaths of empire  
Meet upon His brow,  
And our hearts confess Him  
King of glory now.

7 Glory then to Jesus,  
Who, the Prince of light,  
To a world in darkness  
Brought the gift of sight;  
Praise to God the Father;  
In the Spirit's love  
Praise we all together  
Him who reigns above.

Text: Caroline M. Noel, 1817–77, alt.

Tune: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

Text and tune: Public domain

## 455 The Royal Banners Forward Go



1 The roy - al ban - ners for - ward go;  
 2 Where deep for us the spear was dyed,  
 3 Ful - filled is all that Da - vid told  
 4 On whose hard arms, so wide - ly flung,



The cross shows forth re - demp - tion's flow, Where He, by  
 Life's tor - rent rush - ing from His side, To wash us  
 In sure pro - phet - ic song of old, That God the  
 The weight of this world's ran - som hung, The price of



whom our flesh was made, Our ran - som  
 in the pre - cious flood Where flowed the  
 na - tions' king should be And reign in  
 hu - man - kind to pay And spoil the



in His flesh has paid:  
 wa - ter and the blood.  
 tri - umph from the tree,  
 spoil - er of his prey.

5 O tree of beauty, tree most fair,  
 Ordained those holy limbs to bear:  
 Gone is thy shame, each crimsoned bough  
 Proclaims the King of Glory now.

△ 6 To Thee, eternal Three in One,  
 Let homage meet by all be done;  
 As by the cross Thou dost restore,  
 So guide and keep us evermore.  
 Amen.

Text: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus, c. 530–609; (sts. 1–4): tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.; (sts. 5–6): tr. The Hymnal 1982

Tune: Paul D. Weber, 1949

Text: Public domain

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## 443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



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 - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n 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  
Oh, 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!

Text: Jeannette Threlfall, 1821–80, alt.

Tune: Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, 1784, Württemberg

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*Stand*

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C Amen.**

**Postlude:** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" – David Cherwien

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## **Announcements**

**Worship Attendance for MEMBERS and GUESTS:** you may fill out an attendance card at the entrance table. GUESTS, please sign our guestbook at the entrance table. Here is a simple way to register your worship today.



**Offerings:** May be placed in the box on the entrance table on your way out. (Guests, please note that offerings are always voluntary. We are glad you joined us today!)

**Education:** This Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 10 am we gather for our Bible Study on the **Book of Revelation**. You may participate in person here in our office classroom or you may join us online. If you desire to join online, please give Pastor Espinosa your email address.

**Also,** "Journey Through The Word" is on TODAY at 11 am! We will present an overview on **2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy**.

**Young Adults “Lamplight”:** We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm Saturdays at Light of Christ Lutheran Church in Irvine (in their fellowship hall). Please contact Shane Perry at 949-400-6426 or [shaneperryca@gmail.com](mailto:shaneperryca@gmail.com) or Instagram: @lamplight\_youngadults for more information.

**Needed:** We need more volunteers for livestream, ushering, altar guild, and welcome table. ***Please speak to Pastor Espinosa if you might be able to help out.***

## Light of the World Podcast:

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## BUILDING FUND

**Total Donations through March 17: \$122,211.35**

**Total Expenditures through March 17: \$80,298.98**

**Balance: \$41,943.43**

In the coming months, many more expenditures will be on the way.

These funds will support the installation of stained glass, lighting, ceiling tiles, a new altar, and more. Donations to our building fund are still very much needed and appreciated.

### **To donate to our building fund:**

**Text** dollar amount to (844) 794-2206 (specify building fund)

**Online at** [www.saintpaulsirvine.com/online-giving](http://www.saintpaulsirvine.com/online-giving) (select "Building Fund") Note: Works best with Chrome or Explorer.

**Check** (please write "building fund" in the memo)

**Cash** (marked envelopes provided on the entrance table)



**Our first Family Sunday School is TODAY.**

**Please join us at 10:45 am!**





**Circle of Friends**

*For those we care about to come to saving faith and have a church home...*

Have a friend who needs prayer or would like a meeting with pastor? **Use this QR code** to let us know!



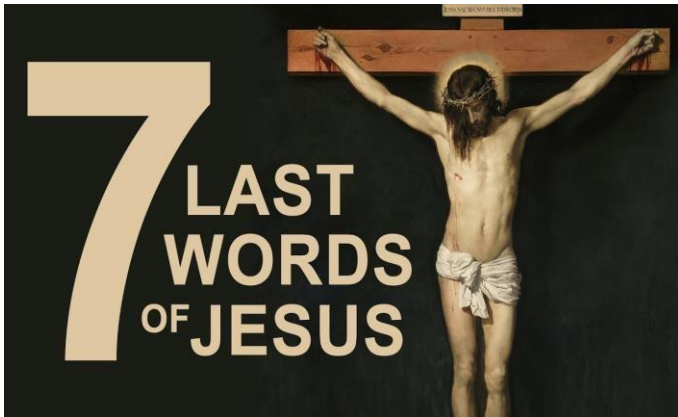
More comfortable with pen and paper?

**Paper forms are available on the entrance table.**





## 2024 Lenten Sermon Series



All Services at 7 pm

Maundy Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>: *Interlude*

Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>: “Father, into Your hands I commit my spirit!” (Luke 23:46) [11:30 am AND 7 pm!!]



Tonight at 5:15 pm. All are welcomed.

*Please pray for our Missionaries...*

**St. Paul's is helping to support these missionaries with financial gifts to the national synod annually:**

Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

Rev. Dr. John and Melinda Bombaro

Serving the Lord in the Czech Republic • Theological Educator

Erin Mackenzie

Serving the Lord in the Latin America and the Caribbean Region

Mark Winterstein

Serving the Lord in Germany — Refugee Outreach Missionary



**St. Paul's has formed friendships with these missionaries and are not currenting supporting them financially:**

Tirzah Krey, Regional Human Care Coordinator

Serving the Lord in the Latin America and Caribbean Region

Britt Odemba

Serving the Lord in Kenya

Rev. Dr. Tom Park

Serving the Lord in Taiwan

**St. Paul's also supports our local evangelist Rev. Mark Jasa.**

*Please pray for our Church Leaders...*

**Our Parish Council members and Elders are so appreciated. Please pray that God grant them strength and bless their ministry to our church:**

St. Paul's Parish Council Members

Debbie Dannemeyer – President

Matt Bures – Secretary

Ken Mott – Treasurer

Laura Miller – Financial Secretary

Steve Fischer – Trustee

VACANT - Stewardship

Mark Kuntz – Presiding Elder

Renee Mott – Fellowship Director

Bradley Hustad – Evangelism Director

Kate Panichi – Education Director

Danielle Vergara – Youth Director

St. Paul's Elders: Mark Kuntz (Presiding Elder), Brad Perry, Bruce Dannemeyer, Bryan Kilduff, John Church, Jon Steele, Karl Blanke, Michael Padilla, Steve Fischer

# SERVICE TEAM SCHEDULE

| Date                           | Altar Team                          | Ushers/<br>Greeters               | Elders on<br>Duty                      | Welcome<br>table           | Livestream        |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Service Team<br/>Chairs</i> | <i>Mei Kuntz</i>                    | <i>Mark Kuntz</i>                 | <i>Mark Kuntz</i>                      | <i>Laura<br/>Hendricks</i> | <i>Jon Steele</i> |
| 3/24/24                        | Jeanette<br>Dahlin/Anne<br>Wright   | Elizabeth and<br>Don<br>Brothwell | Jon Church/<br>Jon Steele              | Anne Wright                | Jon Steele        |
| 3/31/24                        | Mei Kuntz                           | Alex Padilla                      | Mike<br>Padilla/Mark<br>Kuntz          | Laura<br>Hendricks         |                   |
| 4/7/2024                       | Nina<br>Mueller/Myra<br>Taylor      | Alex Padilla                      | Bruce<br>Dannemeyer/<br>Karl<br>Blanke | Kiu Geisler                | Jon Steele        |
| 4/14/2024                      | Elizabeth<br>Brothwell/Mei<br>Kuntz | Shane &<br>Nathan Perry           | Steve<br>Fischer/Brad<br>Perry         | Laura<br>Henricks          | Jim J.            |

## Fellowship Rotation

|                           |   |  |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Sunday | Liana Padilla<br>Herb & Kiu Geisler/Dorothy Zeddies             |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Sunday | Espinosas<br>Dorothy Zeddies                                    |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Sunday | Jeanette Dahlin<br>Mary Seltzer/ Dorothy Zeddies                |  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Sunday | Gary & Daisy Minter/Nancy Howard<br>Renee Mott/ Dorothy Zeddies |  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup><br>Sunday | TBD   |  |



Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> 2024

The High Feast of The Resurrection of Our Lord

Easter Sunday

8 am: Divine Service

9:30 am: Easter Potluck Breakfast

10:30 am: Divine Service

11:45 am: Easter Egg Hunt

Gender Conference April 19-20 is FREE, please register.

# Hope 4 Healing:

## Y4LIFE GENDER CONFERENCE

April 19-20, 2024

Light of Christ Lutheran Church  
Irvine, CA



### ADULT TRACK

#### FRIDAY

**5:00 PM**

Registration, music, and meal together

**6:00 PM**

Testimonies: Rev. Brian Barlow and  
Anne Edward

**6:30 PM**

Making the Case: Rev. Michael Salemink  
and Michelle Bauman

**7:30 PM**

Panel Discussion

**8:00 PM**

Closing Devotion - Pastor Jim

#### SATURDAY

**8:00 AM**

Registration, music, and breakfast

**8:30 AM**

Meet in prayer groups

**9:00 AM**

Presentation 1: Brokenness of Culture  
and Church - Rev. Dr. Al Espinosa

#### SATURDAY

**10:00 AM**

Break

**10:30 AM**

Testimony: April Lockhart

**11:00 AM**

Presentation 2: Brokenness of Family -  
Rev. Dr. Rick Marrs

**12:00 PM**

Lunch and testimony: Jonathan Hunter

**1:00 PM**

Presentation 3: Brokenness of Self - Rev.  
Michael Salemink and Heather Ruesch

**2:00 PM**

Break

**2:15 PM**

Panel Discussion: How to Move Forward

**3:15 PM**

Break

**3:30 PM**

Presentation 4: Carrying Hope into the  
Future - Rev. Brian Barlow

**4:30 PM**

Closing Devotion - Pastor Jim

### REGISTRATION

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### YOUTH TRACK

#### FRIDAY

**5:00 PM**

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**6:00 PM**

Testimonies: Rev. Brian Barlow and Anne Edward

**6:30 PM**

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**7:30 PM**

Panel Discussion

**8:00 PM**

Closing Devotion - Pastor Jim

#### SATURDAY

**8:00 AM**

Registration, music, and breakfast

**8:30 AM**

Meet in prayer groups

**9:00 AM**

Presentation 1: What Makes Your Body a Good Gift? - Rev. Scott Stiegemeier

**10:00 AM**

Break

#### SATURDAY

**10:30 AM**

Testimony: April Lockhart

**11:00 AM**

Presentation 2: What Happens When Gender is Disordered? - Denise Shick

**12:00 PM**

Lunch and testimony: Jonathan Hunter

**1:00 PM**

Presentation 3: Speaking Privately and Publicly with a Gospel-motivated Voice - Rev. Harrison Goodman and Michelle Bauman

**2:00 PM**

Break

**2:15 PM**

Panel Discussion: How to Move Forward

**3:15 PM**

Break

**3:30 PM**

Presentation 4: Carrying Hope into the Future - Rev. Brian Barlow

**4:30 PM**

Closing Devotion - Pastor Jim

### REGISTRATION

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We hope that you will join us for one of our Easter Services at 8:00am or 10:30am this coming Sunday March the 31<sup>st</sup>.

We will be having a breakfast potluck in the café/ fellowship area in between services at 9:30am.

If you would like to contribute to our potluck, thank you and it is so appreciated! Any and all dishes are welcome, so bring whatever you would like. To sign-up (optional), you can use the QR code below.



CALLING ALL KIDS! We hope to see you at our 11:45am Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:30am divine service! Invite your friends and neighbors, and don't forget to bring your basket! ☺

If you would like to contribute to our Easter Egg Hunt, thank you and it is so appreciated!

We have plenty of plastic eggs, but we are in need of candy. Please give any candy donations to Traci Espinosa. You can reach Traci via text at 281-627-2646.

