

**GARFIELD LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA
LAC QUI PARLE LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA**



March 25, 2018

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Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday – March 25, 2018

*Please stand as you are able.

(Please gather in the Narthex for the beginning of the service and the processional into the sanctuary. If you feel that you are not able to stand that long, please take a seat in the sanctuary.)

ORGAN PRELUDE and CHURCH BELL

*OPENING DIALOG (from the back of the church)

Pastor: Children of God, rejoice and shout!

Cong: We will rejoice and shout aloud.

Pastor: Behold, your King is coming to you.

Cong: he is humble and rides on a donkey; he comes on a donkey's colt.

Pastor: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Cong: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Pastor: Weapons made for battle will be broken.

Cong: And he will command peace to the nations.

Pastor: His dominion will be from sea to sea.

Cong: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Pastor: On the day the Lord you God will save you because you are his people.

Cong: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Pastor: You will shine like jewels in a crown.

Cong: Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray: Help us, Lord God, by your great mercy, to contemplate those mighty saving acts by which you have redeemed us from sin and death, and set us on the path to everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Cong: Amen.

*READING OF THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL- Mark 11:1-11

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Behold, the King is Coming"

(tune: All Glory, Laud, and Honor")

Behold, the King is coming; let palms be lifted high!

"Hosanna in the highest!" excited people cry.

With garments strewn before him, the Son of David see:

Behold, the King approaches, in true humility.

Pursue your way, O Savior; these happy plaudits hear:

"How blest is he whose coming proclaims God's kingdom near!"

With joyful cheers ascending you; we bless your holy name:

Behold, the crown awaits you; your rightful kingdom claim!

EXTINGUISHING OF LENTEN CANDLE

Pastor: Let us enter God's gates of justice with thankful hearts.

Cong: Anyone who is right with God can enter.

Pastor: This is God's day to celebrate.

Cong: Palm branches at the altar mark our celebration.

Pastor: As we extinguish the sixth Lenten candle, we recall that God's Son, Jesus Christ, became like one of us so that we may have access to God and this became possible through Christ's death on the cross. Let us pray: O God, what Christ has done for you and us is truly wondrous. Even though he was your son, he humbled himself for us on the cross. We truly agree, "Jesus Christ is Lord!"

Cong: Amen.

LENTEN LITANY

"In His Suffering We Are Healed" (Tune: "Go to Dark Gethsemane")
(Sung)

**In the steps of Christ our Lord
We will follow faithfully.
Watch the Son, by heav'n adored,
Bend in base humility.
See the will of God revealed:
In his suff'ring we are healed.**

Pastor: Into your hands I commit my spirit.

Cong: You have redeemed me.

Pastor: O Lord, you are my faithful God.

Cong: Let your bright face shine on your servant;

Pastor: Save me in your unfailing love.

Cong: As you received your Son into the hands of love, so receive your people.

(Sung)

**As a sheep in silence waits
While its shearer hones the knife,
As a lamb anticipates,
Mute when it lays down its life-
See the Lamb of God revealed:
In his suff'ring we are healed.**

Pastor: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Cong: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

Pastor: The word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.

Cong: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

Pastor: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

Cong: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

(Sung)

**Nails are driven, dice are cast,
Darkness rolls across the skies,**

**Words are uttered, when at last
With a breath our Savior dies.
See the Lord of Life revealed:
In his dying we are healed.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day, as printed on your insert.

PASTORAL GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” (vv.1,3,5)

ELW 855

THE HOMILY BEGINS

Pastor Bringle

(tune: “My Song is Love Unknown”)

**Triumphant, we cry out to greet our coming King:
“Hosanna!” is the shout God’s faithful people sing.**

Lord, lead us safely day by day;

Give us the Spirit to obey and follow in the heav’nward way.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

LqP Lector: Tracy Dove
Gar. Lector: Kipp Stender

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 31:9-16

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

(LqP) SPECIAL MUSIC

Sunday School Students

CHILDREN’S SERMON

THE HOMILY CONTINUES

HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane” (vv.1,2)

ELW 347

THE READING OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

(you may remain seated)

Narrator: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 15th chapter. As soon as it was morning the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him,

North Side: Are you the King of Jews?

South Side: You have said so.

Narrator: And the chief priests accused him of many things, And Pilate asked him,

North Side: Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you.

Narrator: But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate wondered. Now at the feast, he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called...

All: BARABBAS!

Narrator: And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he was told to do for them.

South Side: Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Narrator: For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them instead...

All: BARABBAS!

North Side: Then what shall I do with the man whom you call King of Jews?

All: CRUCIFY HIM! CRUCIFY HIM!

South Side: Why, what evil has he done?

All: CRUCIFY HIM!

Narrator: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them

All: BARABBAS!

Narrator: And having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away inside the palace-that is, the praetorium- and they called together the whole battalion. And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on him. And they began to salute him:

Men: Hail, King of Jews!

Narrator: And they stuck his head with a reed, and spat upon him, and they knelt down in homage to him. 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. And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. And they brought him into the place called Golgotha- which means the place of a skull. And they offered him wine mingled with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him...and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. And it was the third hour, when they crucified him. And the inscription of the charge against him read,

North Side: The King of Jews.

Narrator: And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads:

South Side: Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself!

Women: Come down from the cross!

Narrator: So also the chief priests mocked him to one another with the scribes:

North Side: He saved others; he cannot save himself.

South Side: Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross...

North Side: ...that we may see and believe.

Narrator: Those who were crucified with him also reviled him. And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness...over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice:

South Side: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Narrator: And some of the bystanders hearing it said,

Women: Behold, he is calling Elijah.

Narrator: And one ran and filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying,

North Side: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

Narrator: And Jesus uttered a loud cry...and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that he thus breathed his last, he said,

Men: Truly this man was the Son of God!

Narrator: The Gospel of the Lord.

***CONFESSION OF SINS**

Pastor: At the foot of the cross, let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Cong: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We deserve your wrath and punishment. But we who have caused Christ’s death also take refuge in it. For his sake look upon us in love and continue to claim us as you forgiven children.

Pastor: May our heavenly Father grant us true repentance and the Holy Spirit’s help to persevere in faith.

Cong: Amen.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY	(LqP) <i>“We Are an Offering”</i>	ELW 692
	(Gar) <i>“We Give Thee But Thine Own”</i> (vv.1,2)	ELW 686

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the ways of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

Cong: Amen.

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	<i>“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”</i>	ELW 337
	<i>“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”</i>	ELW 656
*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION		
Pastor: Compassionate God, your Son welcomed sinners and ate with them. We give you thanks for the forgiveness and grace we received in this meal. Make us signs of your love, that all the world may know your mercy and blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord.		
Cong: Amen.		

***CLOSING DIALOG**

Pastor: Children of God, behold your King, who comes in the name of the Lord.

Cong: Let him be crucified. Let him go forth to die.

Pastor: He humbled himself and became obedient to death,

Cong: death on a cross!

Pastor: On the day the Lord your God will save you because you are his people.

Cong: And he will command peace to the nations.

*CLOSING HYMN	<i>“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”</i>	ELW 351
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SILENCE, CHURCH BELL and DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE