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PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

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DIVINE SERVICE - Setting Three **Lutheran Service Book**

THE PROCESSION WITH PALMS

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

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:

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.

THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

The Triumphal Entry

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,

C: “Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt.”

P: 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.”

John 12:12-19

THE COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

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: Let us pray:

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. 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.

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: in the name of the Lord.

OPENING HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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**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.**

**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.**

**"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heaven our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence Eternally rejoice!**

† CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO †

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

P: I said, I will confess my transgression unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

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

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. *Mark 16:16; John 1:6*

C: Amen.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

INTROIT

Psalm 24:7-10; antiphon Psalm 118:26

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD!

C: Lift up your heads, O gates!

And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

P: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

C: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

P: Who is the King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

C: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

GLORIA PATRI

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C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE — Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

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P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C: And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray together:

ALL: 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. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading for the Sunday of the Passion is from Isaiah, chapter 50.

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Isaiah 50:4-9a

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

P: [Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

C: Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

P: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

ALL: He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:8b

The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter two.

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 made himself nothing, 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.

Philippians 2:5-11

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Refrain

**All glory, praise, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessed One. *Refrain***

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

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

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

**As you received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, O good and gracious King! *Refrain***

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 26th and 27th chapters.

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF REFLECTION

Glory Be to Jesus

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**Glory be to Jesus,
Who, in bitter pains
Poured for me the lifeblood
From His sacred veins!**

**Grace and life eternal
In that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind.**

**Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream
Which from endless torments
Did the world redeem.**

**Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.**

**Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts, rejoicing
Make their glad reply.**

**Lift we then our voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood!**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the Church, that the Lord would defend her against all her enemies and keep her true to Jesus Christ by the power of Your Word and Spirit:

P: Gracious Lord, keep Your Church in Your mercy, that she may endure the assaults of the evil one and remain faithful for the sake of those numbered within Your Kingdom and those who have not yet heard the Gospel and been brought to faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for all pastors, for all church-work vocations and for all the baptized in their vocation as God's people:

P: Almighty God, by Your Spirit You have established us as Your Church and granted to us particular vocations within the Church, home and community in which to serve You. Grant to us every gift and blessing needful, that we may honor our calling and serve You to the best of our ability; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for those preparing for Baptism, for the newly baptized, for those being catechized as children and adults, and for those joining our congregation:

P: Almighty Father, Your Word will not return to You empty but will accomplish Your purpose. Hear us on behalf of those who have heard Your Word, who are being baptized into Christ and joining the fellowship of our congregation, that they may keep the faith with holy and joyful hearts trusting in Christ as their Savior; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for the government, for all in authority over us, and for our own lives as citizens and neighbors:

P: O mighty Lord, You have established the kingdom of the left and hold accountable all those who govern in this and every place. Guide our president; the members of Congress; the governor of this state; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that they would serve nobly and wisely, pursuing the path of justice and protecting those least able to protect themselves; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for an end to violence and terror, for those imprisoned, for the troubled in mind, and for those who suffer any afflictions of the body:

P: Merciful Lord, Your grace is sufficient for all our needs, and You have promised to be the strength of the weary, the hope of those who fear, the healing of the ill, the fullness of those disabled, and the peace of all who are distressed. Hear us on behalf of all whom we name in our hearts, that they may be well supplied by Your grace in their time of trouble; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for those not yet of the Kingdom, that God would make us bold to speak the faith to them and that hearing, they might believe:

P: Everlasting Father, it is Your will that all should be saved and come to the knowledge of Your Son by faith. Give to Your Word success and deliver from error all those who live in darkness, that they may walk in the light of the Lord Jesus; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for the earth to be fruitful, and for our good use of all the fruits of the earth:

P: Blessed Lord, You give food to the hungry and provide for all our needs in this mortal life. Grant to us a grateful heart and knowledge to use wisely and well all that You have entrusted to our care; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray for our unity of doctrine and faith, and for our communion this day upon Christ's body and blood:

P: Holy Lord, as once Your Son was welcomed with palms and hosannas, help us to welcome Him who comes to us this day in the blessed Sacrament of His body and blood. Guard us against false teaching and help us to discern truth from error, that none may be led astray or lost from the fellowship of Your Son; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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. *Matt. 6:9-13*

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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**Ride on, ride on, in majesty! Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road With palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**Ride on, ride on, in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ! Thy triumph now begin Ov'r captive death and conquered sin.**

**Ride on, ride on, in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes To see the_approaching sacrifice.**

**Ride on, ride on, in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father, on His sapphire throne, Expects His own anointed Son.**

**Ride on, ride on, in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.**

SILENT PRAYER

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.