

BLESSED
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LORD!

MARK 11:9

Hope Lutheran Church

March 24, 2024

Pastor

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Organist

Sherri Moss

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday

The Sunday of the Pasion or Palm Sunday as it is usually called commences on a high note of joy and anticipation just as the Sunday before Passover began on the final week of Jesus' life. Our worship today begins with a Procession with palm branches held high to welcome the King. By the midpoint in the service, the gospel account of Jesus' passion and death is read and the mood changes. Holy Week has begun.

The Procession with Palms

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. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Processional Gospel Mark 14:1-72

Congregation raises their branches.

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: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus 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.

We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and 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. Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the name of the Lord.

Processional Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" FOG # 249

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

C: Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lessons	Isaiah 50:4-9a
	Psalm 31:9-16
	Philippians 2:5-11

He's the Savior of my soul. My Jesus, My Jesus. He's the Savior of my soul. He's the Savior of my soul. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. Jesus! He's the Savior of my soul. He's the Savior of my soul.

Gospel **Mark 15:1-47**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

FOG # 212

The Apostles' Creed

FOG pg. 137

Offering /Offertory "I Love to Tell the Story" 1 yrs

FOG # 619

Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father

All: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer - sing

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Hymn "I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary" FOG # 270

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In Our Prayers we remember Carol Speth

Holy Week Calendar:

Thursday, 28th: 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday at Grace

Friday, 29th: 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service at Hope

Sunday 31th: 9:00 Easter Rolls donated by Ruth Heitbrink, please join us for coffee, juice, a roll and conversation.

10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship; following service there will be an Easter egg hunt for the children.

We invite the congregation to bring an Easter lily if desired.

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FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to answer
the ignorant with wisdom—
teaching by rebuking the wicked—
rebuking the wise,
so simple as those who are taught.
The Lord God has opened
my ears,
and I have not rebellious.
I did not turn backward,
I gave my back to those who
struck me,
and my cheeks to those who
pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been dis-
graced;
therefore I have set my face like
flint,
and I know that I shall not be
put to shame;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
⁹It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 31:9-16

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that
was in Christ Jesus,

⁵who, though he was in the form
of God,
did not regard equality with
God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human
form,
⁶he humbled himself
and became obedient to the
point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁷Therefore God also highly ex-
alted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
⁸so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and
under the earth,
⁹and every tongue should
confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the
Father.

GOSPEL: Mark 14:1-15:47
or Mark 15:1-39 [40-47]
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