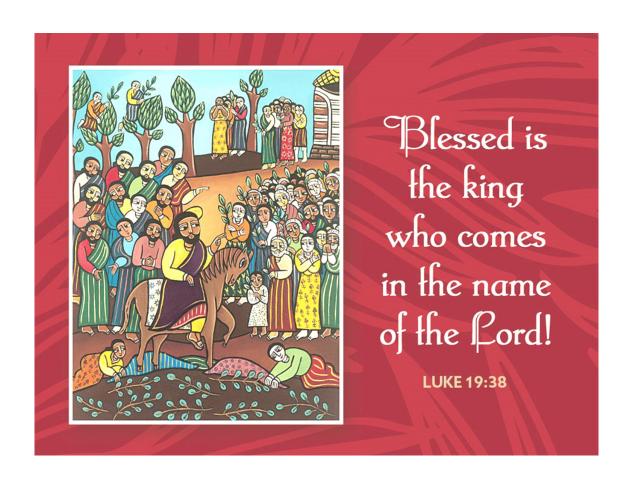
University Lutheran Church Lutheran Campus Ministry

10:30 AM Worship Service



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The congregation gathers outside the entrance of the church.

GREETING

- P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the

Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God

joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸

²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

saying,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

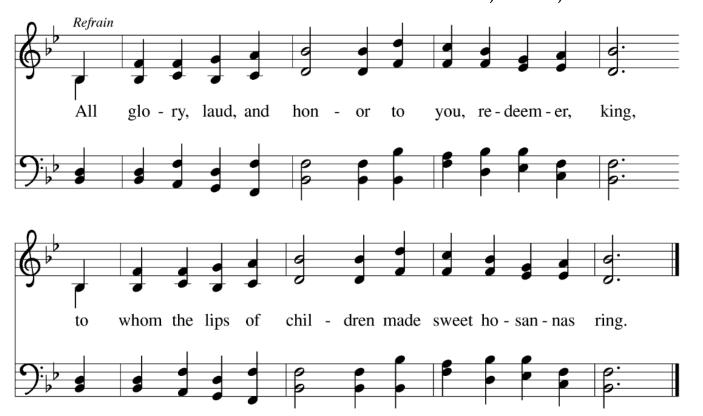
BLESSING OF PALMS

The presiding minister and the assembly greet one another.

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, 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 Christ. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR





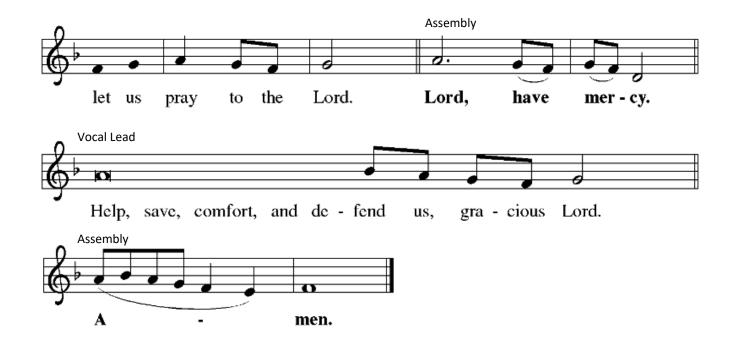
GREETING

- P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.

Kyrie



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴ The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear.

wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

⁵ The Lord GoD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

⁶ 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.

⁷ The Lord GoD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸ he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

^{9a} It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

PSALM Psalm 31:9-16

The Psalm will be sung responsively.



- ⁹ Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.
- ¹⁰ For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
- ¹¹ I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to ¹ my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street | they avoid me.

- Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.
- ¹³ For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is [|] all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to [|] take my life.
- ¹⁴ But as for me, I have trusted in ¹ you, O LORD. I have said, "You ¹ are my God.
- ¹⁵ My times are [|] in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who [|] persecute me.
- ¹⁶ Let your face shine up- on your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

- ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
- ⁶ who, 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.

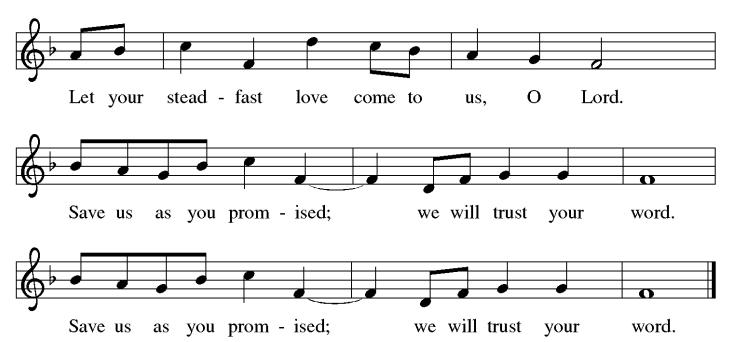
And being found in human form,

- ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death
 - even death on a cross.

- ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
 - and gave him the name that is above every name,
- os that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.
- ¹¹ and every tongue should confess
 - that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Please be seated.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the twenty-second and twenty-third chapters.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

When the hour came, [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶ for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸ for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. ²¹ But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. ²² For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" ²³ Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

²⁴ A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵ But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶ But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

²⁸ "You are those who have stood by me in my trials; ²⁹ and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰ so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

³¹ "Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, ³² but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." ³³ And he said to him, "Lord, I

am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" ³⁴ Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."

³⁵ He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing." ³⁶ He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. ³⁷ For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless'; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled." ³⁸ They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

³⁹ He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." ⁴¹ Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ⁴² "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done." ⁴³ ②Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. ⁴⁴ In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. ²⁵ When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; ⁴⁸ but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" ⁴⁹ When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" ⁵⁰ Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹ But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. ⁵² Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? ⁵³ When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

⁵⁴ Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. ⁵⁵ When they had kindled

a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. ⁵⁶ Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." ⁵⁷ But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." ⁵⁸ A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" ⁵⁹ Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." ⁶⁰ But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. ⁶¹ The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." ⁶² And he went out and wept bitterly.

⁶³ Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; ⁶⁴ they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?" ⁶⁵ They kept heaping many other insults on him.

⁶⁶ When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. ⁶⁷ They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; ⁶⁸ and if I question you, you will not answer. ⁶⁹ But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." ⁷⁰ All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." ⁷¹ Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"²³:

¹ Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. ² They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." ³ Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." ⁴ Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." ⁵ But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

⁶ When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷ And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸ When Herod saw Jesus, he

was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. ⁹ He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰ The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹ Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. ¹² That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

¹³ Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, ¹⁴ and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵ Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶ I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!" ¹⁹ (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) ²⁰ Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; ²¹ but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" ²² A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." ²³ But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. ²⁴ So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. ²⁵ He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

²⁶ As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷ A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. ²⁸ But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹ For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³² Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with

him. ³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

⁴⁴ It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵ while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." ⁴⁸ And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ⁴⁹ But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

⁵⁰ Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, ⁵¹ had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. ⁵² This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁵³ Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. ⁵⁴ It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. ⁵⁵ The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. ⁵⁶ Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

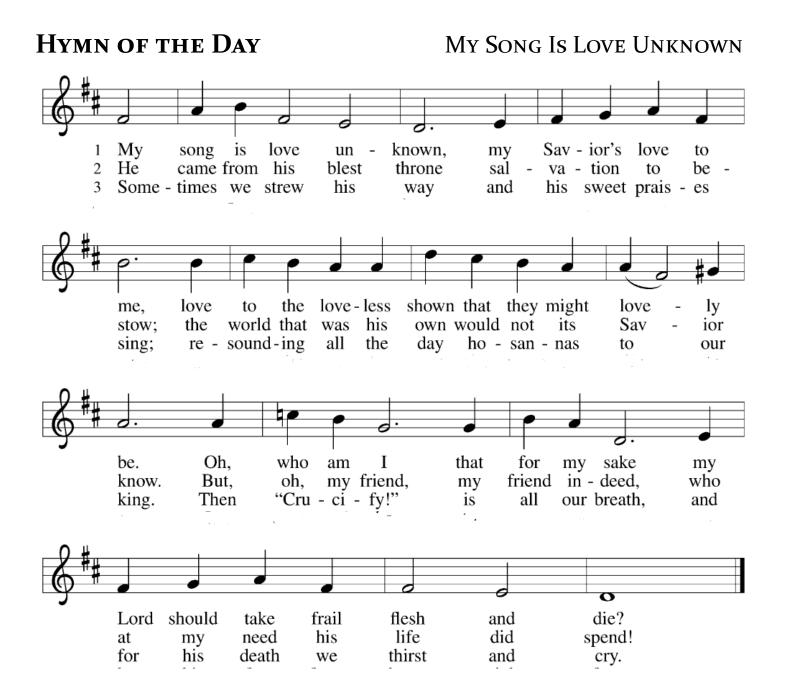
On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Interim Pastor Arhiana Shek Dill

Silence for reflection follows the sermon. Please stand when the Hymn of the Day begins.



I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence. After each portion of the prayers the Pastor will say:

P God, in your mercy,

The congregation will respond with:

C receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- P Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.
- C Amen.

THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

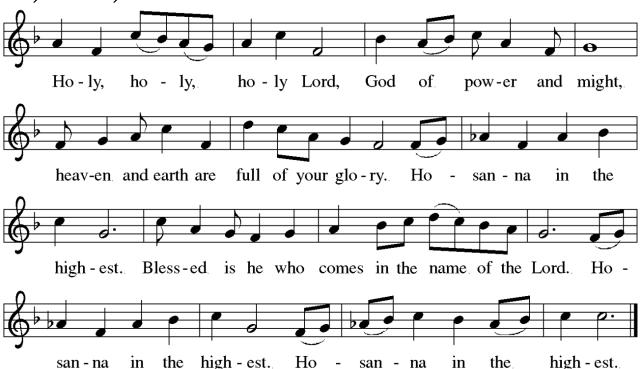
SPECIAL MUSIC

Now Behold the Lamb by Kirk Franklin

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

- P O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P With (*name/s and*) your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

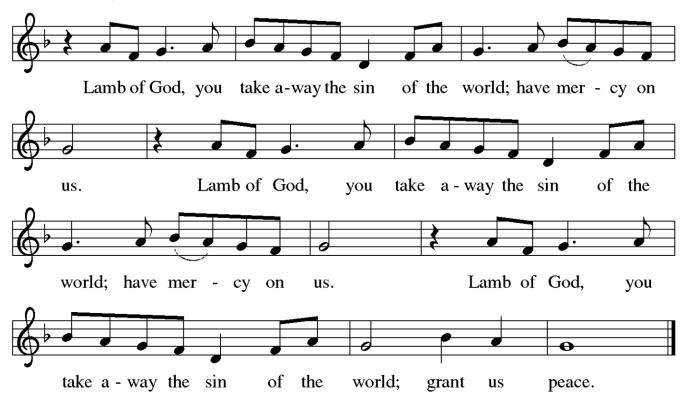
Invitation to Communion

P All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

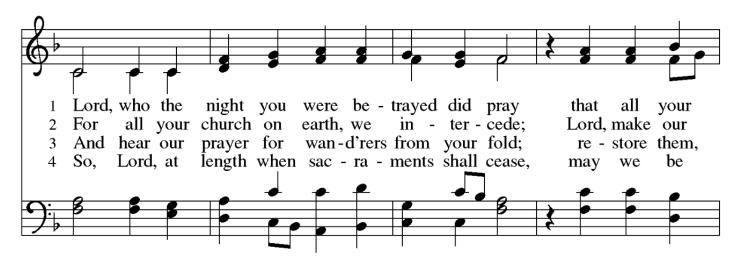
We invite to the Table of the Lord all followers of Jesus. Lutherans affirm that around this table through bread and wine Christ Jesus is present with us. We offer communion with individual cups for wine or white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers also available.

LAMB OF GOD



THE DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN LORD, WHO THE NIGHT YOU WERE BETRAYED





POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

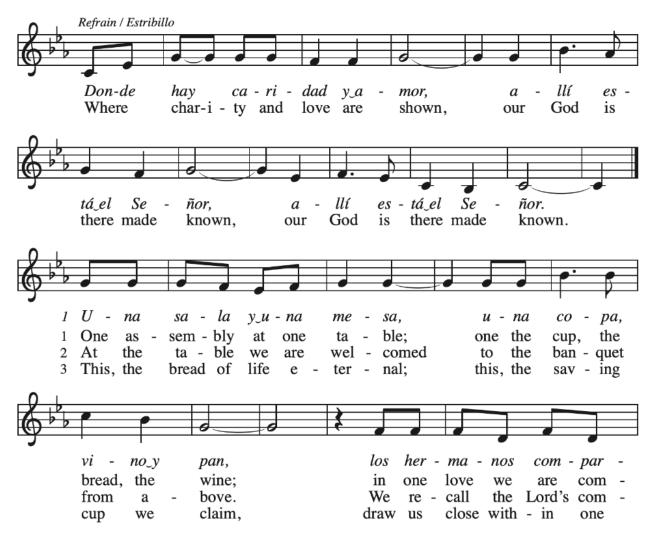
ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

- P God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, + bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE ARE SHOWN





SENDING

- P Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Pastor Interim Pastor Arhiana Shek Dill

Music Director Elizabeth Tomboulian

Vocal Lead Ray Kimball

Organist & Bassist John Fillo

Violinist Erin Smythe

Cellist Nic Peters

Trumpeter Jacob Hilliker

Altar Care Kristin Tollefson

Communion Assistants Beth Wootten & Lori Zurcher

Readers Taína Diaz-Reyes, Savannah Bradley,

Dylan Weeks, & Paul Westermann

Greeter Gail Fisher

Live Stream Alexander Webber

OFFERING

For your convenience, an offering box is placed at the church entrance for your financial gifts to the ministry of Christ through University Lutheran Church and Lutheran Campus Ministry. You can also donate online on our website: www.ulctempe.org ULC also has text giving! Text your donation to: 480-878-7977. Thank you!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY DATE CHANGE THIS MONTH

Due to conflicts with Maundy Thursday, the Women's Bible study has been rescheduled for **Thursday**, **April 24**, **at 6:00 pm via Zoom**. We hope to see you there!

University Lutheran Church is a Reconciling Works Church. We are a welcoming environment for all of God's people regardless of race, situation, familial status, sexuality, gender, size, shape, gender identity, and place in this world.



THIS WEEK AT UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & CAMPUS MINISTRY

Sun, Apr 13	9:15 am 10:30 am	Forum (Campus Center Library) PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP (Sanctuary/Livestream)
	11:30 am	Coffee & Refreshments (Campus Center)
	11:45 am	Free Student Meal (Campus Center)
Mon, Apr 14	7:00 pm	ASU Navigators Meeting (Campus Center/Sanctuary)
Tue, Apr 15	6:30 pm	ULC Council Meeting (Campus Center Library/Zoom)
	8:00 pm	AA (Campus Center)
Wed, Apr 16	5:00 pm	LCM Bible Study (Campus Center)
	5:30 pm	Free Student Meal (Campus Center)
		No Worship Service
Thu, Apr 17	6:30 pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE (Sanctuary/Livestream)
	8:00 pm	AA (Campus Center)
Fri, Apr 18	7:00 pm	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE (Sanctuary/Livestream)
Sun, Apr 20	6:00 am	EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE (Outdoors) (Note: not
		livestreamed nor recorded)
		No Forum
	10:30 am	EASTER WORSHIP (Sanctuary/Livestream)
		No Refreshments
		No Student Meal

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday: April 17 at 6:30 pm

Good Friday: April 18 at 7:00 pm (please note different time from Maundy Thursday)

from Maundy Thursday)

Holy Week Services are in the Sanctuary or via livestream on our website: www.ulctempe.org

Easter Sunrise Service: Sunday, April 20, at 6:00 am (not livestreamed or recorded)

10:30 AM Easter Service: Sunday, April 20, in the Sanctuary or via livestream on our website: www.ulctempe.org



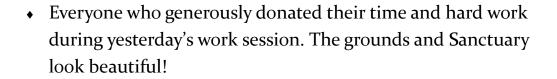
WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Holy Week begins today, and with many church services this week, we will need lots of volunteers. **Thank you to the multitude of people who have already signed up thus far!** There is a separate sign-up sheet on the mobile bulletin board just for Holy Week & Easter. There are a few spots left, so please sign up! Thank you for all you do to keep our beautiful worship services running smoothly.

*Please note we are transitioning from using the terms "lector" and "usher" to "reader" and "greeter", respectively. We believe these new volunteer titles sound more welcoming and will hopefully allow anyone to feel that they are capable and called to volunteer.

THANK YOU SHOUT-OUTS

A big heartfelt "Thank You" to the following people for all of their recent help around the church:





- Monish, our student resident, for helping mitigate the dishwasher leak that occurred during the middle of the night!
- **Terry Anderson** for repairing the Formica on the front of the kitchen countertop.
- **Kalee Porter** for sharing her beautifully written LCM impact story and organizing kitchen items, including corralling our abundance of to-go containers.
- Gail Fisher for her dedicated, weekly role as Greeter and also for often serving as Reader.
- Terry Anderson, Lori Zurcher, & Katherine Stevens for frequently providing the yummy refreshments on Sunday mornings.
- Ann Poole & Lisa Zelenski for providing the refreshments this morning.
- Everyone who has been making coffee, washing dishes, setting up tables, and cleaning out the fridge.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS—A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Mountain View Lutheran Church is inviting the community to this contemplative experience on Good Friday, April 18. You may come and experience the meditation stations in their Worship Center anytime from 7 am to 6 pm (except from noon 'til 1 when they will be holding Good Friday service).

The Time of Meditation and Prayer leads you through seven stations where you will go alongside Jesus on his way to the cross. The stations are in the back of the Sanctuary of Mountain View Lutheran Church. Station 1 is located in the back of the choir loft, station 7 is located at the opposite side. You might visit the stations in order 1 to 7 or in any order as they are available.

At each station you will find a painting, Scripture reading, meditation and a prayer. They will lead you along the way of Jesus' suffering.

The meditations have two perspectives. One looks at the experience of Jesus' suffering, the other looks at situations present today in our world and in our personal lives. You then can ask where you find yourselves in these scenes. The prayers invite you to tell Jesus your situations that trouble you.

May you be blessed during this time by the presence of Jesus. Everybody is welcome.

The artist of the paintings is Sieger Köder (1925-2016). He is one of the best known artists of Christian art in German speaking Europe. The paintings (except station 1) are displayed in the Catholic Church Sankt Stephanus in Aalen Wasseralfingen, Germany.

The meditations and prayers are written by Theo Schmidkonz, SJ and taken from the book "Kreuzweg Erfahrungen," Schwabenverlag AG Ostfildern, 2011. They were translated into English by Hanna Loehr and Ingeborg Mack.

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UPCOMING FORUMS

During our Sunday Forums, we are in the midst of discussing the book, *Call to Allyship*, edited by Angela T. !Khabeb. Our plan is to continue covering two chapters each week. Contact the office at 480.967.3543 or at info@ulctempe.org if you would like a copy of the book. You're welcome to come and join in even if you haven't read to book or only part of it. Forums are on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am in the Campus Center Library.



SERVICE TIME ADJUSTMENT COMING SOON—OR NOT?

At University Lutheran Church we have a tradition of transitioning to an earlier start time of 9:00 am during the summer, starting in May following the conclusion of the academic year and wrapping up in August as we prepare to welcome students back for the fall semester. Is this policy helpful, or would it be preferable to maintain a constant 10:30 start time throughout the year? Let us know at info@ulctempe.org

PAGE TURNERS' BOOK CLUB LAST GATHERING OF THE SEMESTER

On May 1 we will be reviewing the final book of the semester, *The Heat Will Kill You First: Life and Death on a Scorched Planet* by Jeff Goodell (2023):

'An explosive new understanding of heat, the lethal force that threatens every living cell on Earth. Heat is the first-order threat that drives all other impacts of the climate crisis.'

~ Dena Trangsrud, *Leader*

Dena will lead our discussion at 12:00 noon in the Campus Center Library. Bring your lunch if you'd like, and join us. We will resume again this fall on the first Thursday of each month during the academic year.

AUDIO VISUAL ASSISTANCE DURING THE SUMMER

Our audio visual tech, Alexander Webber, will be off at an internship over the summer. We will need someone to take his place and help with A/V on Sunday mornings from June 1—August 10. This is a paid position, and we will provide training. Let us know if you are interested or know of someone who might be interested.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 2025 ELCA CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY

The Grand Canyon Synod is honored to host the 2025 ELCA Churchwide Assembly, taking place July 28–August 2, 2025, at the Phoenix Convention Center. This event, held every three years, is the primary decision-making gathering of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, where representatives from across the church meet for worship, communal discernment, and essential decision-making.

As the host synod, we have a unique opportunity to extend our hospitality and support this important work on behalf of the entire church. To make this possible, GCS is calling on up to **100 volunteers** to join them between **July 26 and August 2, 2025**. Volunteers will play a vital role in helping the event run smoothly and welcoming our ELCA family to Phoenix.

If you feel called to help, please visit **gcsynod.org/cwa** where you can find more information about the event, volunteer roles & descriptions, and the sign-up link. Thank you.

HYMN SING MEMORIAL FOR LISA WESTERMANN

On Saturday, May 3, at 4 pm, ULC will be holding a hymn sing to celebrate Lisa Westermann's beautiful life and memory. Lisa was the mother of Paul Westermann, who is a beloved member here at ULC and LCM. During the service we will sing many of Lisa's favorite hymns, and then all are invited to join a spaghetti feed over in the Campus Center afterwards.

Everyone in the congregation is invited. Please come as you are; casual attire is welcome. If you can't make it in person, the service will also be available livestream on our website: www.ulctempe.org

There will be a free-will offering collected to benefit Lutheran Campus Ministry's mission; Lisa was very passionate about feeding people. All contributions will go towards LCM's ministry. Cash and check donations will be accepted. You can also donate through Breeze in her honor. On our website select "Give to LCM Meal Donations" in the dropdown menu, and put in the comments that it is in Lisa Westermann's memory.



EASTER FLOWERS & DECORATIONS

Contributions are now being received for Easter flowers and decorations. As always we hope to beautify our Sanctuary for the Festival of the Resurrection. Donations in any amount are welcome.

Contributions may be placed in the offering plate, marking "Flowers" on your check memo. You can use the Flower envelope placed in the chair racks. You may also donate through Breeze underneath "Altar Decorations", and write "Flowers" in the comments.

Designations to memorialize or honor loved ones are welcome. You may put those designations on the Flower envelope, on the blue sheet, or in the comments on Breeze. Thank you!