Welcome



Today we begin with the traditional palm processional which reminds us of the joy of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The service concludes with us reflecting upon his reason for entering Jerusalem-His passion and death.

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday Sunday 8:00 am Service April 13, 2025 Zion Lutheran Church 2215 Brandywine Lane York, PA 17404 www.zionyork.org

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SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY April 13, 2025

The Gathering Procession with Palms

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord **Hosanna to the Son of David!**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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 of life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

This is the Processional Gospel according to Luke from the 19th chapter. *Entrance into the final days*

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

²⁹ 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 saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, 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."

Here ends the Processional Gospel reading

(All raise their palm branches for the thanksgiving)

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

We ask that you would 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

Let us go forth in peace, In the name of the Lord.

The procession into the Sanctuary begins; the congregation follows the pastors, servers, and choir. The hymn, "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" is sung during the procession. Congregation comes down the center aisle and then turns left or right to find seats down the side aisles

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest!**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The congregation is seated.

WELCOME

The Sharing of the Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

May this Word of the Lord, help you know Jesus and make Jesus known.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM – read responsively

Psalm 31:9-16

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;

I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³For 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.

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine up- on your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

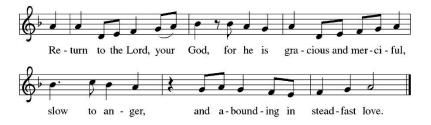
INVITING 5 NEIGHBORS TO ZION'S EASTER SERVICE

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

May this Word of the Lord, help you know Jesus and make Jesus known.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 22:14-23:56

The Passion of Our Lord according to Luke Refer to the Sunday of the Passion Booklet, page 2

The assembly will read in unison the part of the People, which is in bold type and marked with a symbol of a leaf.

Silence for Reflection

The assembly stands.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the Apostles' Creed.

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

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words.

- P: God, in your mercy,
- C: receive our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of intercession: Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you. 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. The assembly is seated.

Sharing of the Meal

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS - at this time, please take a moment, if you feel called and are able, to make a financial contribution to the ministry of Zion.



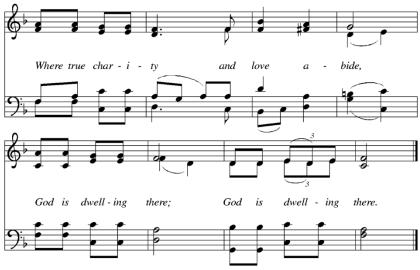
OFFERTORY MUSIC

O Christ. Our Heart's Desire Robert J. Powell

The assembly stands.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Where True Charity and Love Abide



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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts

and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,

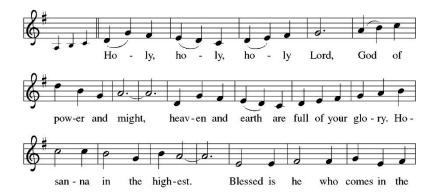
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,

we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

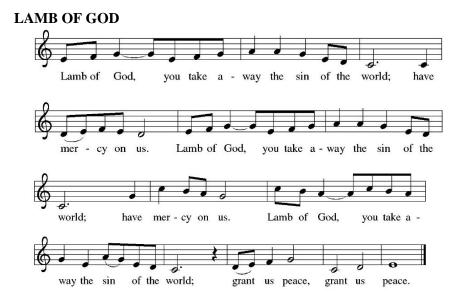
Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The assembly is seated.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who believe in Jesus are welcome to commune. Should you prefer a gluten free wafer, please indicate this to the pastor.

COMMUNION MUSIC Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross William Doane, arr. Jason R. Krug Bells of Brandywine

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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. Amen.

Sending Out

GOD MOMENTS

ZEST FOR ZION

BLESSING

The assembly stands.

C: Amen

SENDING ANTHEM *Guilty of Innocence*

Pepper Choplin

DISMISSAL

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

As the liturgy on this day turns to the solemnity of Holy Week, there is no postlude to our worship.

Welcome To Worship

- If you are a guest, please fill out the Connect Card in the pews and place it in the offering plate.
- Children activity bags are available from the tree stands in the narthex.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:

- Wade and Karen Markel with love in honor of their granddaughters Ryann, Reese, and baby girl Benton
- Sandy Brown in loving memory of Eugene and Lanae Hemmann

The Palms which you received as you entered the Sanctuary and those near the altar are given by Mary Jane McCluskey in loving memory of Lucille Demyanovich.

Thank you for being the hands and feet of the church especially to those serving this weekend ...

Greeter is Clint Roderick, III

Ushers are

Assisting Minister is Mike Mummert

Offering Counters for this weekend are Lori Wise and Terry Turko

New Members - we are pleased to welcome the following new members into our congregation:

- Tim and Mary Vink
- Sandy Brown
- Pastor Tim and Gloria Hoffman
- Andrew and Rebecca Wright and daughters Charlotte and Emma

We welcome them and pray God's blessing upon their ministry here in our midst.

Holy Week and Easter

| Maundy Thursday Services with Holy Communion | |
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| Thursday, April 17 | 12:00 Noon |
| | 7:00 pm |
| Good Friday Services | |
| Friday, April 18 | 12:00 Noon Jesus on the Cross |
| | 7:00 pm Tenebrae Service |
| Easter Weekend | |
| Saturday, April 19 | 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt |
| Saturday, April 19 | 5:30 pm Gathering, Come As You Are |
| Sunday, April 20 | 6:30 am Sunrise Service |
| | 7:00 am Easter Breakfast |
| | 8:00 am Traditional |
| | 10:00 am Community Service |

Prayer List Members

*Pastor Tim Hoffman *Funt Family *Karen Bissell Al Abruzzese Paul Hoover Faye Schriver Owin Anderson ^Steve Leung ^Charles and Mary Dye ^Yvonne Falkenstine ^Gina Campbell ^Rita Ware ^Lester McMackin ^Brenda Hilty ^Dolly Hoover

Family & Friends

*Debbie Kyle *Joe Calcagno *Dan Miller Reed Mook Rose Aumen Parker Laird ^Joanne Leib ^Irelyn Sprenkle ^Reed Phillips ^J J ^Roland Mechler ^James Spang ^Connie Hamilton ^Stephanie Beyer ^Dave McNeil ^Doug Barbour ^ Phyllis Schafer ^Dick Crock ^Duane Rawson ^Janie Bloom ^Kim Staub

Grieving

*Family and Friends of Ruth Fishel *Family and Friends of Luke DiMuzio -mourning loss of wife Family and Friends of Gayle Shaw Family and Friends of Gary Caboot Family and Friends of Norma Woerner

Refugees

Afghanistan Families Sudan Family

Military

∧Matthew Brandstedter ∧Lukas Haney ∧Alec Peckmann ^Nicolas Aguilar

Missionary AChad Stout AHannah Cunningham

Prayer requests will remain on the list for four (4) weeks. Long term will remain for a year. A new prayer request card may be submitted thereafter. * New Request and ^ Long Term