



# St. John's Lutheran Church

Rooted and Growing: In Christ. In Community.

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# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



## Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- Large print service folders and assisted listening devices are available from an usher.
- Children's service folders and worship notes are available in the round tract rack in the entry area.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- During the offering, all worshipers are asked to fill out a Connection Card (included with the service folder or available online at [www.sjtosa.org/Connect](http://www.sjtosa.org/Connect)). Completed cards may be placed in the baskets by the exit.

# Palm Sunday

## April 9 & 10, 2022

His Humility, Our Hope

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### Prelude

#### Opening Hymn (Saturday)

*Please stand to sing the final stanza*

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

*Christian Worship 413*

#### Call to Worship (Sunday)

*K5 & Junior Choir*

He Comes in the Name of the Lord

*by Mary Kay Beall*

Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes!  
He comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes in the name of the Lord!

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.

Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes!  
He comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes in the name of the Lord!

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav’n, our King.  
O, may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice. Rejoice!

Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes!  
He comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna! Hosanna! He comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!

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Please stand (Sunday)

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

**Amen.**

### Instruction for Holy Week

Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's redeeming work. Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, die, and rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry into Jerusalem that culminated at the empty tomb and follow him with a lively faith. United with him by baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Hosanna in the highest!**

### Gathering Rite for Palm Sunday

Who is this riding an animal meant to carry burdens?

**Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth.**

Blessed be the coming kingdom of David.

**Hosanna in the highest!**



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, Re-deem - er, King,  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.  
You are the King of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.

*Refrain*

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Who is this riding among us?  
**Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth.**

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

*(sung)* **All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.**

Who is this Liberator of Israel?  
**Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth.**

Blessed is he who is the King of peace.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

*(sung)* **All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
as you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev'ry blessing, our good and gracious King.**

Who is this acclaimed by palms of victory and shouts of joy?  
**Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth.**

Blessed is he who comes to save his people.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

*(sung)* **All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.**

Who is this who comes to destroy the power of Satan?  
**Jesus, the Prophet of Nazareth.**

Blessed is he who restores the paradise of Eden.  
**Hosanna in the highest!**

*(sung)* All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
The company of angels is praising you on high,  
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

## The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

### First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-4

*Our hope is in the Servant of the Lord, the One who would come in great humility.*

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.  
He will not shout or cry out,  
or raise his voice in the streets.  
A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.  
In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;  
he will not falter or be discouraged  
till he establishes justice on earth.  
In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Refrain*

Wel - come the King of glo - ry, each tribe and na - tion!

He is the LORD Al - might - y, bring - ing sal - va - tion.

*Verses*

1 See, all the earth is God's, its peo - ple and na - tions;  
 2 Who can go up this moun - tain, who stand in prais - ing?  
 3 They shall re - ceive for - give - ness, and have God's bless - ing  
 4 Come, lift your voic - es high, be lift - ed to glo - ry;

*Refrain (sung after each verse)*

God built it on the deeps and laid its foun - da - tions.  
 Those who are pure, who come with clean hands up - rais - ing.  
 if they will search for God, their Sav - ior con - fess - ing.  
 the LORD our God ap - proach - es, come, shout the sto - ry.

- 5 Who is this glorious one, for whom we are waiting?  
 We wait the mighty LORD, our God celebrating. *Refrain*
- 6 Come, lift your heads with joy; come, lift up your tower;  
 the King of glory comes in full might and power. *Refrain*
- 7 Who is this King of glory of whom we're singing?  
 Our God, this LORD of hosts, the vict'ry is bringing. *Refrain*

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## Second Reading

Philippians 2:5–11

*Our hope is in Christ Jesus, the One whose humility we are called to emulate.*

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;  
rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man,  
he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

Luke 19:38

Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.  
“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”  
“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”  
Glory, praise, and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## Gospel

Luke 19:28–40

*Our hope is in Jesus, the One who humbly entered Jerusalem on a donkey.*

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’”

Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”



They replied, "The Lord needs it."

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"

"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

## **Anthem (Sunday)**

*Junior Choir*

Hosanna, Hosanna

*by Joseph M. Martin and J. Paul Williams*

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King.  
Hosanna, hosanna, rang through the crowded streets.  
Thousands came to see him, to cheer as he rode by.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna was their cry.

Jesus entered into Jerusalem, people spread their garments on the road.  
Blessed is the seed of Abraham. Blessed is the King foretold.  
The multitudes all praised him, they waved the palms in praise.  
They welcomed the Messiah as he came through the gates.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King.  
Hosanna, hosanna, rang through the crowded streets.  
Thousands came to see him, to cheer as he rode by.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna was their cry.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King.  
Hosanna, hosanna, rang through the crowded streets.  
Thousands came to see him, to raise their voice and sing.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Hymn of the Day

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty  
Christian Worship 411

## Sermon

Luke 19:28-40

*Hosanna to Our King*

*Please stand*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there 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.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

Lord Jesus Christ, our gracious and glorious King, on that first Palm Sunday you came in triumph to Jerusalem to shouts of "Hosanna."

**Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises.**

Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us. Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place.  
**Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.**

Give us opportunities to share this saving message with those around us. Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil.

**Move us to confess you as our Lord and to dedicate all that we are and have to your glory.**

O Lamb of God who came to suffer and die, come now as King into our hearts to reign. Rule us with your grace, forgiving all our sins and moving us to serve you in righteousness.

**Give us faith to trust you, courage to confess you, strength to bear our crosses, and zeal to follow you all the days of our lives.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow*

Dear Savior, as we walk with you this week on the road toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this message of salvation.

**Hear us, blessed Jesus, our Redeemer and King. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Adult Confirmation (10:30 a.m.)**

### **Offering**

*Members of St. John's give offerings to support the Lord's work in our community and around the world. Visitors are welcome but not obligated to give an offering. To submit your offering electronically or to fill out an online Connection Card, scan the QR code or visit [www.sjtosa.org/offering](http://www.sjtosa.org/offering).*



### **Hymn**

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

*Christian Worship 414*

*Please stand*

Lord God, our heavenly Father, you sent your Son to earth to offer full and complete payment for the sins of the world. As he entered Jerusalem to the shouts of "Hosanna," so also hear our prayers and save us by your mercy. Bless the preaching of your Word and in our words and actions graciously grant us the opportunity to proclaim our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **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.**

**Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Closing Hymn**

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns  
*Christian Worship 531*

## **Announcements**

## **Postlude**

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## Serving at Worship

**Preacher**

Pastor Eric Schroeder

**Presiding Minister**

Pastor Joel Leyrer

**Musicians**

Megan Bauer, piano (Saturday)  
Lisa Eggebrecht, organ (Sunday)  
Hannah Braun, violin  
Becky Rehborg, clarinet  
Tom Bauer, trumpet

**Junior Choir Director**

Mandy Treder

## Worship Notes

- We welcome Nicole Braegelmann and Zimo (Tony) Chen into membership today by adult confirmation.
- The flowers are placed by Steve and Jen Wolf in celebration of Ellie's 8<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## In Our Prayers

- Jerry Seidner, who was recently diagnosed with an advanced stage of lung cancer.
- JoAnn Schoeneck, who returned home last week from off-site convalescence.
- Nick Maurer, who remains hospitalized at Columbia-St. Mary's but who also made measurable improvement this past week.

# Holy Week Worship Opportunities

## April 14: Maundy Thursday

3:30\* & 6:45 p.m. worship with Holy Communion

## April 15: Good Friday

1:00 p.m.\* worship with Holy Communion

6:45 p.m.\* Tenebrae worship

## April 17: Easter Sunday

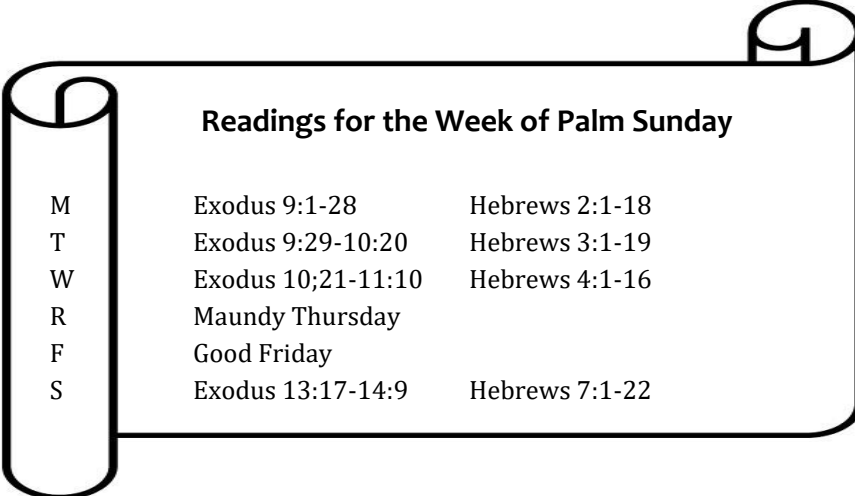
6:00 a.m.\* sunrise worship

7:15 a.m. breakfast

8:30\* & 10:30 a.m. festival worship

*Services marked with a \* will be broadcast online at [www.sjtosa.org/video](http://www.sjtosa.org/video).*

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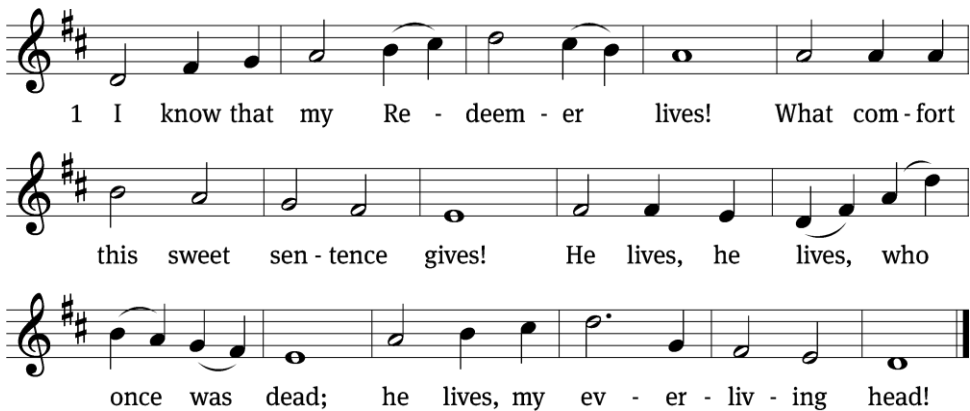
Readings for the Week of Palm Sunday		
M	Exodus 9:1-28	Hebrews 2:1-18
T	Exodus 9:29-10:20	Hebrews 3:1-19
W	Exodus 10:21-11:10	Hebrews 4:1-16
R	Maundy Thursday	
F	Good Friday	
S	Exodus 13:17-14:9	Hebrews 7:1-22

## Parents' Preview for April 17

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer is that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

### I Know that My Redeemer Lives

*Christian Worship 441 (stanza 1)*



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort  
this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who  
once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!

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# The Mission of our Church

As God's people gathered together at St. John's, we live to declare the praises of our Savior God who called us out of the darkness of sin into the light of his grace.

As 21<sup>st</sup> century disciples of Jesus, we reflect the light of God's love by:



Making worship of our Savior the top priority in our lives



Growing in our faith through daily contact with God's Word



Fostering Christian friendships for mutual encouragement and support



Using our unique gifts to glorify God and serve God's people



Sharing the good news of God's forgiving love with others

## Worship Services

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

## Worship in Chinese

Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.

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