

Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord



April 13 and 14, 2019

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship. In our worship we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!

- Restrooms are located in the main hallway and down the hall to the left.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the
 narthex or room located down the hall from the narthex. This room has a television
 showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member
 if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

Our worship focus: From his birth to his death, Jesus demonstrates remarkable humility. He is King of kings. And yet when born into our world, he did not have a golden crib, but only a manger. When he rides into the royal city of Jerusalem as a king, it is not on a stallion, but a little donkey foal. And when he, as Lord of Lord, mounts his position of authority, it is not a throne, but a cross. Why would one so great be so unspeakably humble? And what is there for us to learn in his humility? Come and listen to His Word today!

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week – the most intense week of our Christian Year. Palm Sunday has been celebrated in the Christian Church since the 4th Century. In the ancient world, palms were a symbol of victory and everlasting life. As the crowd waived palms when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, so we wave palms to remember the victory over sin, death, and hell that he won in Jerusalem and the everlasting life that he gives.

The Season of Lent

The word Lent comes from an Old English word for Spring ("lengten," the time of the year when the days grow longer). For the last 1,700 years, the Church has set aside the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter as a time of special preparation (the Church speaks of 40 days of Lent because they do not count the Sundays, which retain their significance as "little Easters.") It is a time of repentance and renewal. The color of the season is purple, the ancient color of royalty. We remember our King Jesus, who wore a crown of thorns, and carried a cross for us.

During Lent, our rejoicing is muted as we remember our Lord's suffering and death. But it is with a purpose: we know that the Lord who died took up his life again on Easter Sunday morning. So our 40 days of Lent are ones lived in the certain hope of the resurrection. Thanks be to God!



We Come into the Presence of God

Prelude: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (by Stuart Townend, arranged by James Koerts)

Piano: Heidi Rusch

Palm Sunday Children's Processional: "The King of Glory Comes" (Israeli folk song; 1967 Willard F. Jabusch. Published by Oregon Catholic Press)

Refrain: The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices. Open the gates before Him, lift up your voices.

Who is the King of glory? How shall we call Him? He is Immanuel, the promised of ages.

Refrain

In all of Galilee, in city or village, He goes among His people, curing their illness.

Refrain

He gave His life for us, the pledge of salvation. He took upon Himself the sins of the nation.

Refrain

He conquered sin and death; He truly has risen, and He will share with us His heavenly vision.

Refrain

Invocation

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

M: Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection.

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, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry 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.

Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as king by those who shouted "Hosanna" and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm 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.

C: Amen.

M: Let us go forth in peace,

C: in the name of the Lord.

Opening Hymn: #130 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"



Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1821-80, alt.

Tune: ELLACOMBE (76 76 D) Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzogl . . . Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784, alt.

We Listen

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9,10

⁹Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth.

Psalm 24 (spoken responsively)

M: Let the Lord enter;

C: he is the King of glory.

M: The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it,

C: the world, and all who live in in;

M: for he founded it upon the seas

C: and established it upon the waters.

M: Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?

C: Who may stand in his holy place?

M: He who has clean hands and a pure heart,

C: he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

M: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,

C: that the King of glory may come in.

M: Who is this King of glory?

C: The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

M: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors,

C: that the King of glory may come in.

M: Who is this King of glory?

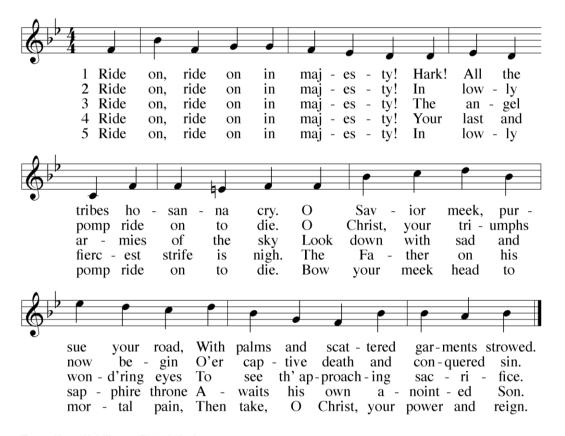
C: The LORD Almighty - he is the King of glory.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death– even death on a cross! ⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: #133 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"



Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt.

Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien, Hamburg, 1690, alt.

Sermon: Mark 11:1-10

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ²saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

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

¹⁰"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"



We Respond

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering (If you are a guest in our church, please do not feel obligated to participate. We do not want you to think that God or our congregation is soliciting funds from you. You enrich us simply by being here.)

Offertory: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (Arranged by Carol Tornquist)

Piano: Ella Bergemann

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

M: Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, and to take up your cross, and follow him.

The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

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Closing Hymn: #702 "Prepare the Royal Highway"



Holy Week Worship Maundy Thursday: A Meal to Save You April 18 at 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday gets its name from the Latin word *mandatum*, the first word of the Latin translation of John 13:34: "*Mandatum* novum do vobis ut diligatis invicem sicut dilexi vos." That phrase means: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you." Jesus explained to the apostles the significance of his command by washing their feet before he instituted the Lord's Supper. On this day we look at the special spiritual benefits God gives us in this holy meal. Worship includes the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday: The Seven Words, a Service of Darkness April 19 at 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm

On this day, darkness blanketed the earth from noon until 3:00 pm, as our Savior endured the pains of hell, hanging from a cross. But Christ's suffering means our salvation. In this worship service, we use the ancient custom of "Tenebrae", Latin for "darkness." Throughout the service, as we meditate upon our Savior's passion, lights are dimmed and candles snuffed. This symbolizes the ebbing of Christ's life. The somberness of this worship serves as a foil, making the joy of Easter Sunday all that much brighter.

Easter Sunday: Risen to Free Us! April 21 at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

He is risen indeed! On Easter morning we celebrate the fact the Jesus has risen from the dead to save us. His resurrection is the proof positive that we stand before God as forgiven children, free from condemnation and hell, and that we will live forever in heaven. A congregational breakfast will be served between the services.

Serving at Worship

Pastor:	Jon Bergemann
Organist:	Joan Richmond
Piano:	Paula Danekas

Ushers

04/13	5:30 pm	Dave Morgan
04/14	8:00 am	Erik Guldberg & Ryan Schindler
	10:30 am	Chuck Rhodes & Greg Busse
04/18	7:00 pm	Dan Schinler & Bob Vicker
04/19	1:30 pm	Ken Hull & Chuck Rhodes
	7:00 pm	Todd Oard & Dale Graefnitz
04/21	8:00 am	Andy Rush & Dave Bowen
	10:30 am	Kenneth Jordan Jr

Greeters

04/14	8:00 am	Dave Rardin
	10:30 am	Greg Busse
04/21	8:00 am	Debi Vose
	10·30 am	Karen Bassler

Altar Care

04/18	Roxanne Zikis & Lindsey Daehnke
04/21 (Easter Sunday)	Kathy Paradis & Cindy Oard
05/05	Ellen Zank & Inge Wegner

Coffee Schedule

04/14	Kathy Paradis & Carol Miller
04/28	Pam Junkunc & Doris Holcomb

Folding Schedule

5.7 - 1	04/14	Jan & Gary Henrikse
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04/18-19	Christina Kurtz
04/21	Roxanne Zikis

Communion Assistant Schedule

04/18	7:00 pm	Dave Rardin & Doug Semenske
04/21	8:00 am	Todd Paradis & Rick Brands
	10:30 am	John Roland & Ken Jordan

Live Stream Team

Sun	8:00 am	Kristen R	Reynolds	& Bo	b Reichert
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Announcements

Welcome!

We give a warm welcome to everyone at worship. We are glad that you are here and invite you to return again to celebrate our living Lord. Visit us at 525 63rd Street, Downers Grove, contact us at 630-852-1519 or check us out on the web at www.gsdg.org

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WELSSA Accreditation Results

Over the past year, faculty and volunteers have been conducting a self-study using 15 standards dealing with different areas of the school's ministry like school climate, enrollment process, and curriculum. This past week, an accreditation site team consisting of WELS and non-WELS educators visited our school and took a look at our school and self-study. The visiting team concluded that our school met the requirements for Exemplary status, the highest level of accreditation. Good Shepherd is again accredited by WELSSA and the National Council for Private School Accreditation (NCPSA). Thank you to all who were a part of the process and for everyone's prayers and support. To God be the glory!

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Order Release Schedule

Orders and payment must be received by noon on the following days:

• Monday, 4/23 @ noon; delivered by Friday, 4/26

On-Hand Inventory (\$25 denomination cards) - In addition to being able to order from over 750 retailers from SCRIP online, we have a <u>limited supply</u> of the cards listed below. We accept cash or check payment made payable to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. If you are interested in purchasing any of these cards, please contact Carlene Derickson or Clint Daehnke.

- Kohl's
- Target
- Jewel
- Home Depot

<u>SCRIP-to-GO Order Form</u> - Use this form if you do not have an online shopwithscrip account. Payment is due with your order. A SCRIP Agreement is still required to be on file.

The Change for Life Program is Here!

The Change for Life Program is an easy way to support the ministry of New Beginnings - A Home for Mothers. Since 1993, New Beginnings has literally been a new beginning for hundreds of mothers and their children. The ministry provides a place for a single mother to live with her child, learn to care for her child, and, most importantly, learn about God and the salvation He provides in Jesus. Look for the Change for Life display at church and please support this important ministry. On Mother's Day, you will be given a baby bottle from this display. Put your donation inside the bottle. At the end of the program, Father's Day, return your bottle to the designated area. Your donation will make a big difference in the lives of moms and children at New Beginnings!

BLAST Children's Ministry Newsletter

Please get a copy of the current BLAST Children's Ministry Newsletter.

The students in BLAST will be participating in the Palm Sunday Processional

Questions? E-Mail blast@gsdg.org

WELS Women's ministry Conference

Save the Date! July 19-20

To be held at Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI, the conference theme for 2019 is 'living stones positioned to thrive'.

Based on 1 Peter 2:4-5, the conference will highlight God's design and purpose for the Christian woman in our society today. **Speakers include** Naomi Schmidt, author of our Women At the Well Bible study book 'Ruth-Living in God's Unfailing Faithfulness', as well as many others.

For registration, lodging, updates, resources and articles, visit <u>wels.net/wmconference</u>. Details are also available on the table in the narthex.

\$100 | Student Rate until May 30

\$130 | Early Bird until April 30, \$150 | Regular until June 30

Questions? Call or Text Lonnie Weaver at 209-617-2416 or email lonnie weaver@yahoo.com

Divine Call Received

Our 5th and 6th grade teacher, Vicki Smith, has received a call to be a teacher in the early childhood center at Grace Lutheran in Sahuarita, Arizona. Please keep Vicki, and her husband Jeff, in your prayers as she prayerfully considers how to best serve the Lord in His kingdom.

School Committee April Meeting Summary

On Tuesday April 2nd, the Good Shepherd School Committee met for their monthly meeting. Items on the agenda that were discussed included:

- -Minutes from the March School Committee meeting
- -Preschool enrollment figures for 2019-20
- -Preschool curriculum updates for 2019-20
- -Proposed budgets for the Preschool and Grade school for 2019-20
- -Upcoming WELSSA accreditation site visit
- -Upcoming events: WELSSA visit, track meet
- -Planned presentations at area churches by Principal and School committee Chairman
- -40th Anniversary of school is next year: plans for celebration
- -Staff needs for next year
- -Property needs
- -Plans to update School website

The next scheduled School Committee meeting will be Monday May 6th.

Thank you, Clint Daehnke Secretary, Good Shepherd School Committee

Fundraiser – Save-the-Date!

Please help support our preschool program in raising money for new playground equipment. From Wednesday, May 1st, through Sunday, May 5th, Cozzi Corner in Darien will donate 20% of your dine-in, carryout, or gift card purchases to Good Shepherd School when you present a copy of the fundraiser flyer. You may visit more than once during those dates, during lunch and dinnertime, but you must provide a flyer to receive credit for each purchase. Extra copies of the flyer can be found on the table in the narthex or outside the main office.

Help Needed

Good Shepherd is in charge of organizing the upcoming grade school track meet at Timothy Christian School in Elmhurst on Saturday, May 11th starting at 9:30 AM. We need your help! We are looking for individuals to help with concession stand food prep, running the concession stand, timing races, and running the softball throw and shot put events. If you are interested please contact Mr. Roekle (david.roekle@gsdg.org). Thank you for considering using your gifts in this way!

Accepting New Student Admission Applications

Good Shepherd Lutheran School is now accepting new student applications for the 2019-2020 school year. For more information, please contact the school office at office@gsdg.org or by calling 630-852-5081.

Fellowship Hall Set-up for Easter Breakfast

After our Maundy Thursday Church service we need help in taking down the wall in Fellowship Hall and setting up for Easter breakfast. We need to empty the Nook, which is used as a Pre-school room, take down the wall, and set up tables and chairs.

Then on Monday night, April 22nd, we need to put it all back together again. We'll start at 6:30 pm.

Many hands make short work. Contact Bob Reichert with questions at 630-263-5039 or reichert2700@gmail.com.

Run-for-the-Brave 5K

If you are looking to support a local military organization that helps Veterans throughout our local communities, Operational Welcome You Home is a great organization. Vicki and Jeff Smith have been involved with this organization over the years, and it is a GREAT organization that supports all of our military.

Each year, Operation Welcome You Home sponsors a 5K Run, Walk, Ruck to benefit local Veterans in need. To register for Run-for-the-Brave, visit the link below.

htttp://www.welcomeyouhome.org/run for the brave 5k run.html

Easter Breakfast Sign-up

Join us for Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 21st. It will be served from 9:00-10:30 am in the fellowship hall. Please let us know you will attend the breakfast on the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. We ask that you bring a food or beverage item to the breakfast and indicate your item(s) on the sign-up sheet.

We also need volunteers to help prepare for the breakfast: set up, serve, clean up. Please indicate your availability on the separate sign-up sheet found on the table in the narthex.

Questions? Contact Karen Bassler at 630-789-4373

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TODAY	8:00 am	Worship Service	
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class /	
		BLAST Sunday school	
	10:30 am	Worship Service	
	12:30 pm	Bowling at the Tivoli	
MONDAY 04/15	3:30 pm	Faculty Curriculum Meeting	
	7:00 pm	PMM Core Team Meeting	
TUESDAY 04/16	8:10 am	Chapel	
	9:30 am	Woman's Bible Study	
	6:00 pm	Catechism	
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir	
WEDNESDAY 04/17			
THURSDAY 04/18	PreK – 8 th Grade No School		
	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday	
FRIDAY 04/19	PreK – 8 th	Grade No School	
	1:30 pm G	ood Friday Worship	
	7:00 pm G	ood Friday Worship	
SATURDAY 04/20		No Worship	
SUNDAY 04/21	8:00 am	Easter Worship Service/Communion	
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class /	
		No BLAST Sunday school	
	10:30 am I	Easter Worship Service/communion	

SAVE THE DATE

April 22	No School P	reK – 8 th Grade
April 24	6:30 pm	Woman's Dinner/Paint Night
April 26	12:30 pm	Arbor Day – PreK – 8 th Grade
April 27	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study @ Steven's Restaurant
April 28	11:30 am	OWLS Meeting
May 2	Entertainme	ent Night Rehearsal O'Neill Middle School (No Parents)
May 3	Entertainme	ent Night O'Neil Middle School
May 4 th & 5 th		Worship with Branches Band
	2:00 pm	Piano Recital
May 5		Open Forum between services

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