March 28th, 2021 6th Sunday in Lent – Palm Sunday



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At Abiding Word
We gather around the Word (worship),
We grow in the Word (education),
And we share the Word with the world (outreach).



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Welcome!

To all who have gathered here this morning we welcome you in the name of Christ our Lord. Through him we have access to God in boldness and confidence. (Ephesians 3:12) As a safety precaution there will be no after service coffee or refreshments. If you would like to socialize responsibly before and after the service, please use the fellowship hall. To allow for social distancing, please don't linger in front of the kitchen and bathroom.

Holy Communion

Our worship service is open to all. The forgiveness received in the Lord's Supper is proclaimed to all throughout the service. However, the Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is to be received by those who have been instructed about its meaning and the unity it expresses. *For this reason, we ask that guests speak with the Pastor before partaking of the Holy Supper.* So that you can be sure that unity of faith and teaching exists we invite you to participate in a Bible Information Class. This class will prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Please contact Pastor about class times.

Lutheran Worship

The Lutheran church is a liturgical church. Lutherans believe that the gospel is not only the good news that Jesus has saved sinners, but also the power God uses to create and strengthen faith in Jesus. Lutheran worship places the gospel in central focus in an order of service called the liturgy. Through the sermon, Lord's Supper, in specially selected Bible readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and confessions, the liturgy points to Jesus as the Savior of all.

As we adjust to live worship

We are taking many precautions to make our regular Sunday service as safe as possible. In keeping with our Governor's mandate, please wear a facemask while inside the building. Masks are available on the table by the bulletin announcements, if you forget your mask. If you socialize before or after the service please do so outside or in the fellowship hall. If you have any suggestions or concerns regarding worship or ministry please inform Pastor or our elder, Ken Leib.

HYMN: ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR



Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 762–821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt. Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN (76 76 D) Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.

Stand

PSALM 118 (Selected Verses)

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

His love endures forever.

C: Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

M: This is the gate of the Lord

Through which the righteous may enter.

C: O Lord, save us; O Lord, grant us success.

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

From the house of the Lord we bless you.

C: The Lord is God, And he has made his light shine on us.

M: With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession Up to the horns of the altar.

C: You are my God, and I will give you thanks; You are my God, and I will exalt you.

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: His love endures forever.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord. M:



Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1821–80, alt.
Tune: Ellacombe (76 76 D) Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzogl . . . Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784, alt.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.C: And also with you.

M: 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 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.

Be seated

THE WORD

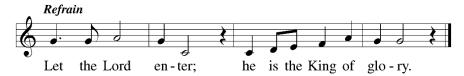
FIRST READING ZECHARIAH 9:9,10

Rejoice 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.

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.



M: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

C: for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.

M: Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

C: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.

M: He will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God his Savior.

C: Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

M: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. 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, that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory?

C: The Lord Almighty—he is the King of glory.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son And to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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PSALM 24

NEW TESTAMENT PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became 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 confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE OF THE DAY

C: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (John 12:23 cf. NIV)

Stand

GOSPEL MARK 11:1-10

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying 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. If anyone asks you, `Why are you doing this?' tell him, `The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

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

"Hosanna! "

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

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

"Hosanna in the highest!"

M: This is the gospel of our Lord.

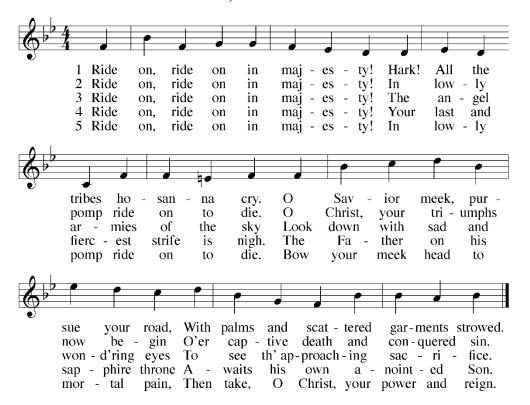
C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

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| C: | We believe in one God, | Dt. 6:4 |
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| | the Father, the Almighty, | 2 Cor. 6:18 |
| | maker of heaven and earth, | Is. 51:13 |
| | of all that is, seen and unseen. | Col.1:16 |
| | We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, | 1 Cor. 8:6 |
| | the only Son of God, | Jn. 3:18 |
| | eternally begotten of the Father, | Heb. 1:2,5 |
| | God from God, Light from Light, true God from true G | od, Jn. 1 |
| | begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. | Jn. 10:30 |
| | Through him all things were made. | Jn. 1:3 |
| | For us and for our salvation, | 1 Th. 5:9 |
| | he came down from heaven, | Jn. 6:38 |
| | was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, | Lk. 1:35 |
| | and became fully human. | Gal. 4:4 |
| | For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. | Mk. 15:15 |
| | He suffered death and was buried. | 1 Cor. 15:3-4a |
| | On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scri | iptures. 1 Cor. 15:4b |
| | He ascended into heaven | Ac. 2:33-34 |
| | and is seated at the right hand of the Father. | Heb. 1:13 |
| | He will come again in glory | Mt. 25:31 |
| | to judge the living and the dead, | 2 Tim.4:1 |
| | and his kingdom will have no end. | Lk. 1:33 |
| | We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, | Job 33:4 |
| | who proceeds from the Father and the Son, | Jn. 15:26 |
| | who in unity with the Father and the Son | Jn. 4:24 |
| | is worshiped and glorified, | |
| | who has spoken through the prophets. | 2 Pet.1:25 |
| | We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. | Mt. 16:18; Eph. 2:19-20 |
| | We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. | Eph. 4:5; Ac. 2:38 |
| | We look for the resurrection of the dead | 1 Cor. 15:21-22 |
| | and the life of the world to come. Amen. | Rev 22 |

Please be seated



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

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

Stand

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



OFFERING

Financial offerings are a regular, proportionate, and joyful response of love by members of a Christian congregation. Our offerings are given to further the work of God's kingdom here at Abiding Word and around the world through the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to support our ministry.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, heavenly Father, into your presence we come with thanksgiving and joy. In this holy hour we praise you for sending Jesus Christ, your Son, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame. Grant that as we look to him in faith we may by his example be neither weary in well-doing, nor faint in heart; but rather remind us that just as we partake of his suffering in this life, so also will we partake of his victorious resurrection in the life to come.

O Lord, grant to your Church strength in purpose in your holy service that she may seek with willing hearts the building of your kingdom. Put the song of salvation on our lips and clothe us with the garments of praise that with joy we may declare: "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest."

We pray for all who are in sickness, pain, anxiety, fear of death or sorrow. Be with them when they pass through the waters of trouble. Let them trust in you for you will deliver them.

Special prayers of thanksgiving or intercession may be spoken here

Now unto you, O God, who are able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of your glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God, our Savior, be glory and honor, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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 SACRAMENT

THE PREFACE (Sung to the tune of From All that Dwell Below the Skies))

M: Oh, may the good Lord be with you.

C: And may the Lord be with you too.

M: Oh, praise Him! C: Oh, praise Him!

M: With hearts uplifted thank the Lord.

C: We lift them up. Be God adored!

M: Oh, praise Him!

C: Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

M: Always and everywhere praise and thanks are due to You, O Lord, holy Father, God of life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Passover lamb, sacrificed to take away our sin and raised again that death might be swallowed up in everlasting victory. With thanks and joy we join the hymn offered by Your faithful always and everywhere.

THE SANCTUS (Sung to the of Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee)

C: Heav'nly hosts proclaim your glory,

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

All on earth repeat the story,

God of hosts, by all adored.

Blest is He who comes, victorious,

In the name of God the King!

Our hosannas, glad and glorious,

To the Lord of all we sing!

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE AGNUS DEI (Sung to the of Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee)

C: Lamb of God, our mighty Savior

All our sins You take away.

Lamb of God, by Your great favor,

Lord, have mercy now, we pray.

Lamb of God, our prayers attending,

Never let your mercies cease,

But, Your Holy Spirit sending,

Grant us all Your gift of peace.

DISTRIBUTION

Please exit your pew from the right as you come forward for communion. Six communicants will come to the railing at a time (3 on the left railing; 3 on the right). Please stand in front of the first pew until the bread and wine are at the railing. Exit the railing to your left and dispose of the cups.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: HERE, O MY LORD, I SEE YOU FACE TO FACE



6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, abr., alt.

Tune: FARLEY CASTLE (10 10 10 10) Henry Lawes, 1595-1662.

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THE THANKSGIVING (Sung to the of Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee))

C: Thank the Lord, His praises voicing, For His promised faithfulness!
All who seek the Lord, rejoicing, Tell His love, His name confess.
Praise the Father, Son, and Spirit, Living God, who sets us free By His mercy to inherit Life and joy eternally!

PRAYER

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION (Sung to the tune of God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven)

M: May the good Lord bless and keep you.

C: Thanks be to God!

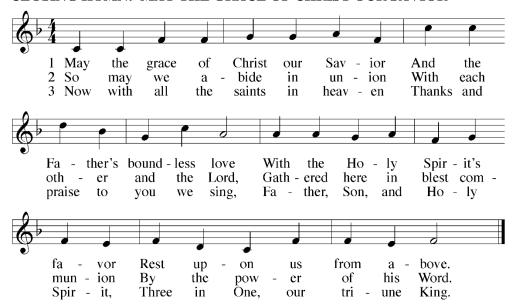
M: May God lift His face upon you.

C: Thanks be to God!

M: May God's shining face behold you And God's favor e'er uphold you. May God's peace and love enfold you.

C: Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN: MAY THE GRACE OF CHRIST OUR SAVIOR



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, st. 1-2, alt.; Carroll T. Andrews, b. 1918, st. 3, alt.

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