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# Concordia Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod*

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*Jesus humbled Himself by becoming obedient to  
the point of death, even death on a cross!*

*[Philippians 2:8b]*

## † In the Name of Jesus †

### **Procession with Palms** (*please rise*)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: Amen.**

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna to the Son of David.**

### **Collect**

Let us pray...

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The

reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him.”

St. John 12:12-19 (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

P: Let us go forth in peace.

**C: In the name of the Lord.**

### **The Processional Hymn # 442**

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

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Collect**

Let us pray...

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 (ESV)**

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so 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.

<b>The Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 27:11-66</b>	<i>see insert</i>
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	p. 191
<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	# 443
<b>Sermon</b>	Our David
<b>Offertory</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	p. 192
<b>Prayer of the Church</b>	
<b>Service of the Sacrament</b>	p. 194
<b>Distribution Hymns</b>	# 438, 632
<b>Nunc Dimittis</b>	p. 199
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	p. 200
<b>Benedicamus and Benediction</b>	p. 201
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	# 441

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete agreement with the denomination's doctrinal teachings at whose altar we commune. Therefore, we ask that only communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod commune with us. All guests are asked to talk to Rev. Heller before coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.

**In our thoughts and prayers,**

† Our sick and recovering: Blanche Becker,  
John Blaisdell (Steve's brother) & Carolyn Riegel.

**Welcome to worship** on Palm Sunday, the Sunday of the Passion. This Sunday receives its name from the palms spread before Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The acclamation of the people, "Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord," clearly reveal that they hailed Jesus as the Messianic King. Yet only days later, our Lord would hear the cry, "Crucify Him!" This contrast is reflected on this day as the joy of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem gives way to the somber remembrance of His passion. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

**Today in Sunday School** the lesson covers Matthew's account of the Passion of Christ as He ventured to the cross for you and me. The Father, the perfect, righteous judge of the universe, forsook Jesus on the cross so that the perfect, righteous sacrifice, Jesus Christ could be punished for the sins of the whole world. Talk with your children about the wages of sin (death) and the gift of God (eternal life) in Christ Jesus. Talk about the importance of relying on Jesus' blood and merit rather than our own works for salvation as you consider Luther's explanation to the second article.



**Council Members**, we will meet after worship this morning.

**Because of Holy Week**, please have all announcements for the Easter Sunday bulletin turned into the church office no later than 9:00 am on Wednesday, April 20th.

**The LYF will be dyeing Easter eggs** on Maundy Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 pm. We will also have an Easter egg hunt so bring a basket or sack for the hunt. All ages are invited. Adult help is also needed in dyeing of eggs. If you wish to donate eggs please leave them in the refrigerator at the church. If you have any questions, contact Steve and Nona Blaisdell, 873-5426.

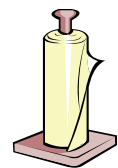
**Easter Lilies for the altar:** Donations can be placed in the box on the table in the social hall or you may purchase and bring your own plant. Please mark your plant so you can take it home after Easter Sunday. Call Vicky Yeager, 873-5647, if you have any questions.



**Easter breakfast** will be served by the LYF next Sunday, April 24th, 7:30 a.m. Please join us!

**Children of Concordia**, come join us on an adventure and learn about He who created all things including the jungle and the jungle animals. The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School is Big Jungle Adventure. We are in need of a director and helpers for our program - if you are interested please visit with or call Terence Schmidt, 873-4898. The beauty of being the director is getting to pick the schedule that best fits you and your family. Registration forms along with VBS details will be available soon.

**The Human Care project** for April is collecting paper products for Women's Action & Resource Center. Some items may include paper towels, Kleenex and napkins.



**The April calendar**, birthday and anniversary sheet, Pray for us calendar, and council minutes are in the black stacking trays in the social hall. Please feel free to pick up your copies.

**Sakakawea Medical Center Hospice** is sponsoring a 10-session support group entitled “Understanding Grief” beginning Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Hospice Office in Hazen. For more information or to pre-register, call 748-7380. RSVP by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Are a person of high compassion** and reliability and want to make a difference in someone’s life, come be a Hospice Volunteer! Volunteer training will be April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00—4:00 pm each day at Sakakawea Medical Center Ambulance Bay, Hazen. Lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Laurie Buesing or Lori Knoll, 748-7380.



### **Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 133    Offerings: \$3,648.95

What a privilege it is to be a child and servant of the Lord of lords and King of kings. Because of the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus we have been rescued from sin and equipped to live as children of the Heavenly Father. One day we will join all the rescued people of God to bow before the throne of Jesus and confess that He alone is Lord. Because we have that sure hope we can joyfully live each day using our time, abilities and money to the glory of God and the welfare of others.

**† Holy Week †**

Today	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Council Meeting
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Monday	7:00 pm	Sarah Guild
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
Thursday	Maundy Thursday	
	5:00 pm	Easter Egg Dyeing & Easter egg hunt
	6:30 pm	Worship
Friday	Good Friday	
	8:30 am	Worship
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Sunday	Easter Sunday	
	7:30 am	Easter Breakfast
	8:30 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

**Church Office Hours**  
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*Please use a pew card to record your Church and/or  
Communion attendance this morning.*