



**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**  
**Palm/Passion Sunday**  
**Confirmation Sunday**  
**April 10, 2022**



**AS WE GATHER**

The words of the prophet Zechariah echo throughout this special day: "Behold your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9). On this day, we remember how Jesus Christ, the King of all creation, came down the Mount of Olives riding "a colt, the foal of a donkey." We know the time and the place of that coming down the hill and traveling in procession across the valley and up to the city of Jerusalem. Jesus rode down a real mountain in a definite time in history and at a place still very much there today. All this was for a most certain purpose. On this day of celebration and of sorrow, we have reason to rejoice in the salvation our humble King brought for us to and through Jerusalem and to the cross on Calvary's hill. The people there called out *Hosanna!*—which means "save us now!" And Jesus fulfilled their—and our—heart-felt request.

**+PREPARATION+**

**PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION** *(begins in narthex)*

**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** **And also with you.**

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

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

**P** 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; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**PALM SUNDAY READING** John 12:12-19

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN LSB #442 "All Glory Laud and Honor"**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

**C** **Hosanna in the highest.**

**P** Trusting in the promises of God's baptismal covenant with us, let us boldly confess our sins.  
*(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)*

**P** Faithful God,

**C** **We confess that we have not been faithful in our promises to You. We have not always walked in the way of Christ. We are neglectful in serving others. We allow evil to increase while failing to accomplish the good You desire of us. Have mercy on us and heal us. Strengthen our faith, increase our hope, and guide us in the pathways of service. Amen.**

**P** All who turn to God and repent find their sin forgiven for the sake of Jesus Christ. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority I therefore announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**+WORD+**

**OLD TESTAMENT** Deuteronomy 32:36-39 (*The Lord will vindicate His people*)

**EPISTLE** Philippians 2:5-11 (*Jesus humbles Himself for us.*)

**HYMN LSB** Builder #973 **“Thy Word is a Lamp”**

**GOSPEL** John 12:20-43 (*Jesus speaks of His Passion*)

**HYMN OF THE DAY LSB #443 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

**SERMON:** “Confessing Christ”

*Text:* Text: The Gospel Reading

**OFFERING** (*The offerings previously collected are brought forward*)

**HYMN LSB #599 “O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near”** (*sung to tune of LSB #595 “O Blessed Spring”*)

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION** *LSB pages 272-274*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**+SACRAMENT+**

**PREFACE TO THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**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 thank to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** We give You thanks for Your Son, who took our human nature, who bore our sins on the cross, who suffered on our behalf, who died that we might live, and who rose again that we might never die.

**C** We thank You, O God. Amen.

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**AGNUS DEI** LSB 550 **“Lamb of God”**

**DISTRIBUTION** (*After worship assistants have communed the Confirmands will commune at the altar.*)

**HYMNS DURING COMMUNION - 711, 441**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P** We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with the body and blood of Your Son, our King. And we ask that Your reign in our lives remain constant, strengthening us in fervent love toward each other and in grateful service to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATION**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** LSB #922 **“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”**