

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion

April 5, 2009

VISITORS - WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Today we partake of the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast where we receive the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. Those visitors desiring to commune at this altar should first speak with the pastor regarding their beliefs. Though the Lord offers this gift to His church for the forgiveness of sins, He also admonishes us through St. Paul: "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord and with love for our guests, this congregation insists on the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. For a salutary use of the Lord's Supper, it is essential that those communing here be properly instructed, sorry for their sins, desiring God's forgiveness and His grace to live a sanctified life, and believe in the true presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper. Furthermore, since attendance at the Sacrament is Biblically and historically a sign of church fellowship, those who present themselves for Communion are to be in doctrinal agreement and fellowship with The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Prelude
Welcome and Ringing of the Bell

Greeting and Processional Liturgy

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 with your spirit.

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

C: Hosanna to the Son of David! (Wave Palms)

Prayer for Palm Sunday

Holy Gospel for Palm Sunday

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Reading of John 12:12-19

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Opening Hymn/Cross Procession: #442, "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Response

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

C: Hosanna in the highest! (Wave Palms)

Responsive Reading of Pss. 24:7-10; 118:26 (see worship insert)

Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Zechariah 9:9-12

Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Epistle Philippians 2:5-11 (KJV)

Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Lenten Response: #422, "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"

Holy Gospel Mark 15:1-47

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 15th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Nicene Creed see back cover of the hymnal
Hymn of the Day: #441, "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Sermon: "Rejoice in Your King"

(I) Because He has come to declare sinners righteous;

(II) Because He comes to speak peace unto sinners;

(III) Because He comes to bring salvation to the ends of the earth.

Offering
Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution
P: As we prepare to come to our Lord's Table to be fed His body and blood, we confess our sin and ask for the Lord's forgiveness.
(Silence for self-examination)
P: King of kings and Lord of lords,
C: You know our hearts and minds. You know that our thoughts, words, and acts have not been pure and holy. We confess our sins against You and against our neighbors. Forgive us our sins and create in us clean hearts. Renew a right spirit within us; cast us not away from Your presence; take not Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and uphold us with Your free Spirit. Amen.
P: Jesus came into this world to forgive our sins and set us free from the tyranny of sin, death, and hell. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Communion Liturgy

Preface
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And with your Spirit.
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
C: It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface
Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy," p. 208 (in Divine Service, Setting Four)

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal
Words of Institution
Peace
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: Amen.
Distribution Hymns:

#634, "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"
#341, "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"
#632, "O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"

Post-Communion Prayer
Benediction
Closing Hymn: #443, "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
Silent Prayer
Announcements
Meal Prayer
Postlude

Palm Sunday Brunch - Today

New Horizons is sponsoring the Palm Sunday Brunch immediately following the worship service today. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will be providing supplemental funds, and the money raised will go towards landscaping the church property. All visitors to Immanuel and members of the congregation are invited to participate in today's brunch.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	After Service	Palm Sunday Brunch
Monday in Holy Week:		Scripture Readings: Jer. 17:13-17; Heb. 9:11-15; Jn. 12:1-23
	1:00PM	Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday in Holy Week:		Scripture Readings: Lam. 1:1, 12-17, 20-21a; 1 Cor. 1:18-25; Jn. 12:20-36
Wed. in Holy Week:		Scripture Readings: Jer. 15:15-21; Rom. 5:6-11; Lk. 22:1-23:42
	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
Thursday:	4:00PM	Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Comm.
	7:30PM	Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Comm.
	8:30PM	Choir
Friday:	7:30PM	Good Friday Worship
Saturday Easter Eve:		Scripture Readings: Dan. 3:1, 3-9, 12-29; 1 Pet. 3:17-22; Matt. 27:57-66
Easter Sunday:		Resurrection of Our Lord No Sunday School or Bible Class
	9:30AM	Fellowship Time
	10:00AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today	- Ryan Holm
Monday	- Jacob Dahl, David Sucher Sr.
Wednesday	- Katelyn Stehr
Thursday	- Barb Gernentz, M/M Kevin Schafer
Saturday	- Sara Sorenson

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Pastor Lyle Kath, Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Linda Hardy, Mike Heim, Linda Soifakis, Ruth Dankers, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Rodger Kivi, Kelsey Holst and Dave Dicke.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

Holy Week Schedule

Don't miss out on the opportunities for nourishment in the Word during Holy Week. Note the schedule of the services:

April 9 Maundy Thursday 4PM & 7:30PM – Worship/Holy Communion
April 10 Good Friday 7:30PM – Worship
April 12 Easter Sunday 10:00AM – Worship with Holy Communion

Life Quote – April 5

“The abolitionists in the nineteenth century kept the main thing the main thing. The twenty-first century pro-lifers are keeping the main thing the main thing. The Bible specifically condemns the pagan practice of sacrificing children, and I'm happy to be criticized for taking on the issue of abortion as a grave moral crisis.” *Dr. Richard Land, president of The Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life /* www.lutheransforlife.org

Books for the Young and Young at Heart

A special word of thanks to all who helped in the recent effort to clean up the Immanuel Lutheran School building. Brad Diercks went above and beyond the call of duty in bringing all the books from Chuck Lieder's old classroom over to the basement of the new addition. All members of the congregation are encouraged to peruse the books and take whatever is desired. There are many children's books, chapter books for young adults, and plenty for those who are young at heart. All books are free and yours to keep!

Coins for Mission Offering

In the narthex you will find a jug marked “Coins for Mission Offering.” The congregations of Minnesota South are encouraged to collect coin offerings to present at the opening worship of the District Convention in June. Please note: no paper money or checks are allowed—only coins! Proceeds will go to our newest LCMS congregation—the Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Congregation of Mankato. This offering will help provide for the salary of the pastors of this new ministry. Currently, the congregation has a worship attendance of about 48 people per Sunday and serves just under 100 total souls. The “Coins for Mission” effort will continue through June 7th of this year. Let's help Pastor Sorenson “make a joyful noise to the Lord” by bringing a full jug of coins to the convention.

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, April 12

8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

“The Same Old Good News”

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Some of the world's most precious things are good and old. This applies to God's Word, too. (Mark 16:8)

Internet Shopping Rebate for Immanuel

Do you internet shop? You can make your shopping profitable for Immanuel Lutheran by shopping through www.onecause.com. (This is the name of the new Schoolpop site.) An easy reminder to make your internet shopping count for our church is to download the OneCause Toolbar from their website. This toolbar will automatically let you know (via a green light) if you are visiting a site that will provide a donation to the church. To get started, set up your OneCause account by visiting www.onecause.com. Register and select your preferred charity, then start shopping! When you see the “green light” on the OneCause toolbar, you can be assured the merchant is a OneCause participant. Click “log in” on the toolbar, and start shopping. Please remember, we will not get a rebate unless you create an account with OneCause. This method of shopping can work for anyone regardless of where they reside or how frequently they internet shop. Consider encouraging your family and friends to sign up and select Immanuel Lutheran Church as their favorite charity. There is no cost to participate, and our church can earn big rewards!

Matching Funds For CILS

A great opportunity exists through Thrivent Financial For Lutherans to contribute additional funds to our school. The way the program works is as follows:

1. Set up an account with Thrivent (385-0155, Red Wing Office).
2. Fill out a CILS/Thrivent donation form.
3. Give check and envelope to a school board member (Randy Meyer, Dale Dicke, Craig Duden). The School Board Treasurer will submit matching funds to Thrivent.
4. Thrivent matches your first and second donations up to \$300. If you donate \$600, your gift would be matched with \$300 from Thrivent for a total of \$900.
5. After a rolling year, Thrivent members can receive matching funds again!

Thanks to all who participated in this program during the past year. Existing contributors are encouraged to continue your participation. If you would like to set up an account and assist the mission of CILS through this opportunity, please contact Thrivent in Red Wing at 385-0155.