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Palm Sunday – April 2, 2023

9:00 am

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

OPENING HYMN: “All Glory, Laud and Honor” LSB # 442 vv. 1,3,4

All glory, laud and honor, to You, Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children, made sweet hosannas ring

You are the King of Israel, and David’s royal Son
Now in the Lord’s name coming, our King and Blessed One
All glory, laud and honor, to You, Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children, made sweet hosannas ring

The multitude of pilgrims, with palms before You went
Our praise and prayer and anthems, before You we present
All glory, laud and honor, to You, Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children, made sweet hosannas ring

To you before Your passion, they sang their hymns of praise
To You, now high exalted, our melody we raise
All glory, laud and honor, to You, Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children, made sweet hosannas ring

CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: As we gather to celebrate our triumphant King, let us remember that He is coming into Jerusalem to pay the penalty for our sins. As we consider this, let us confess ourselves to our Heavenly Father.

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we confess,

People: that our sins have brought Jesus to Jerusalem where He would contemplate each day’s journey closer to death. For all sins that we have committed, we are sorry, and plead for forgiveness. Give us a greater sense of the sacrifice Jesus made on our behalf.

Pastor: God, our Heavenly Father, has brought Jesus to this point that we might have life. We give thanks that through Christ’s sacrifice, He has accepted our petitions for mercy. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to you this day; you are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: "Beautiful Savior" LSB # 537 vv. 1,3,4

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, than all the angels in the sky

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man
Glory and honor, praise adoration, now and forevermore be Thine

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Dear Heavenly Father, as we witness the procession of power that Your Son displayed for Jerusalem to see, help us join the praise of those along the way. May we ever profess our Lord and King, and Him as Sovereign over all things. In Jesus' name we pray.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:11-15

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: John 12:12-16

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to: St. John, The 12th Chapter.

People: 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.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" LSB # 443

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang
Through pillared court and temple, the lovely anthem rang
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best

From Olivet they followed, mid an exultant crowd
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud
The Lord of earth and Heaven, rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children, should on His bidding wait

Hosanna in the highest, that ancient song we sing
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of Heav'n our King
Oh, may we ever praise Him, with heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence, eternally rejoice

SERMON

**Pastor Jesus Morales
Palm Sunday Message**

OFFERING/PRAYER CARDS - *The offering plate is located on the rear table for you to place your offering in as you enter or leave church. **When the offering is received, an usher will bring it forward, along with any prayer cards, to the altar. If you have any prayers to include, please pass them to the usher as they come forward.** For those who are worshipping at home, you may continue to mail your offerings to the church office, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 0S501 Summit Drive, Winfield, IL 60190. Thank you!*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray:

For the great praise of Your name to be heard throughout the world, Lord we ask that all would acknowledge You before men. We thank You for this day and the significance that it brings. May all know the triumphant King Jesus.

Heavenly Father, bless all families, that they would find peace in crisis, love and grace being shared, and an end to strife.

Be with the sick and hurting, near and far. We lift up all for healing, that they might find strength and relief.

For those that continue to travel, Lord we pray for their safety as we lift them up to You.

As we seek to show mercy and kindness, Lord bless our efforts in this community. We thank You for recent opportunities to serve, and we pray for more in the times to come.

For this holy week, Lord we pray for all in solemn celebration, that they might find meaning and significance in Your Son's coming sacrifice.

For these and all prayers that we lift up to You, Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayers.** We thank You for hearing them and we pray for answers, in Jesus' blessed name. Amen.

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose power and salvation transcends the nations and kingdoms of the world. Lead us to Your heavenly kingdom, where in divine glory and freedom from sin His name is worshiped and glorified. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, with the saints gathered before Your throne from every nation, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, singing:

SANCTUS

**People: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth. Even when creation rebelled against You, You gave Your only-begotten Son into death that we might be saved and set free from the lasting consequences of sin and eternal death. By Your Spirit, prepare our hearts to receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in faith.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment.

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

People: 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.

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Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray...

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift. As Christ has forgiven us and set us free, we rejoice in our independence from all we ever need fear. Grant Your holy and life-giving Spirit that we may serve You as we seek to end divisions, overcome prejudice, and seek justice. Grant that we live in peace with one another through the peace You have restored in our relationship with You; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May the God of the hosanna, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, inspire you with His splendor, and may your week be filled with praise.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" LSB # 441 vv. 1,3,5

Ride on, ride on in majesty, hark, all the tribes, hosanna cry
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road, with palms and scattered garments strowed

Ride on, ride on in majesty, the angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes, to see th'approaching sacrifice

Ride on, ride on in majesty, in lowly pomp ride on to die
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign



FREEWILL OFFERING TODAY FOR EASTER FLOWERS! Please note that we will be taking a freewill offering today to collect funds for flowers to adorn our Altar on Easter Sunday. The flowers will be available for members to take home following the service. Thank you for your generosity in helping make our Easter worship bloom with beautiful flowers adorning the altar along with your joyful praises!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND NOTE THE EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE:

- April 6 – COSLC Maundy Thursday Worship Noon and 7 pm
- April 7 – COSLC Good Friday Worship Noon and 7 pm
- April 9 – COSLC Easter Worship 9 am and 11 am (Spanish)

ALSO PLEASE NOTE: PICTURE DAY IS EASTER SUNDAY! Following our 9 am worship service, we will be taking pictures of our congregation, which will later be displayed. This will give everyone a chance to place names with the faces we see in church that we might not yet know.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS – Please pray for the following individuals who are in need of your prayers:

Healing or receiving medical treatment:

June DuBois
Dave Larson
Shirley Brown
Tim, Ron Plusquellec's son, and son-in-law, Ned
Dianne and Cindy, Shirley Dring's daughters
Pat Gengler
Donna Klomhaus
Anne Rumchaks and Joey Basile, Susan Mosteller's friends
Al Arbeiter
Dawn Ziemer
Monica, Mary Larson's sister
Jeff, Rebecca and Joshua Lasky

In the military:

Randy, nephew of Susan Mosteller
Wil Dring, serving at Camp David in the marines

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY 9 AM SERVICE TO HELP WITH AUDIO/VISUALS! Now that we have an advanced audio-visual system in place to offer high-end, quality livestreaming of our services, we could use more volunteers to help with various tasks, such as camera operations, audio monitoring and slide production and projection for Sunday services. Training will be provided! Interested? Please see Pastor Jesus for more information.

VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE 9 AM SERVICE ARE NEEDED! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS HELPED TO BRING TREATS! If you would like to help with our fellowship of coffee and treats on Sunday morning after our 9 am service, we would love to have you bring a treat for our members! The coffee and water are provided, but we need volunteers who can provide a sweet treat (coffee cake, cookies, muffins, breads, etc.) to share with everyone. Interested? There's a sign-up sheet on the back table where you can sign up for the date you want to help. Thank you!!



THE 2023 FLOWER CHART IS NOW ON THE NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD! REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS AS A REMEMBRANCE OR ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS – If you would like to place flowers on the altar to mark a special occasion or give Glory to God, there's a sign-up calendar on the bulletin board in the church entrance to reserve a date. Just sign your name, date and occasion – and take an envelope for payment of \$30 per Sunday, with checks payable to The Altar Guild. Flowers are yours to take home after the service.

PLEASE NOTE PASTOR JESUS' CONTACT INFORMATION – Pastor Jesus is available to minister to our congregation's needs at any time and welcomes the opportunity to serve you. He is available 24/7 to provide pastoral care, prayer, or information. He also makes congregation home visits or visits members in the hospital or nursing facility, or administers Holy Communion at home. If you have a need or want to request a visit, please contact him at 1-630-518-1517 or jesusmorales466@yahoo.com.

OUR BLESSING BOX CONTINUES TO BE A BLESSING TO OUR COMMUNITY! If you are able, please consider picking up a few items during your regular shopping trips to help those less fortunate and dropping off items for our Blessing Box. *The most needed items currently include boxed cereals, all kinds of paper products, disposable baby diapers, feminine products, personal care items, and detergents and sanitizers. Non-perishable food items, including pasta, rice, beans, baking items, tuna, canned meats and sauce are also appreciated.* Cash contributions are also welcome. Thank you all for your generosity and support!

OUR BENEVOLENT FUND provides confidential emergency assistance to members who are in need of financial, spiritual or other temporary support, such as housing assistance, help paying for medical or prescription expenses, or help during hard times due to lack of employment. Please contact Pastor Jesus in person to discuss your needs, or you may contact him by phone at 1-630-518-1517.

REMEMBER TO BRING IN YOUR POP TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE! The aluminum tabs you pull to open soda, soup and other cans are recycled by United Scrap Metal, who buys the pop tabs at a market rate and makes an additional contribution to Ronald McDonald House. There's a large collection bottle on the back table for your convenience. Thanks so much for your help in collecting tabs and making a big difference!

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT PRAYER CARDS ARE LOCATED IN THE CHURCH PEWS AND CAN BE USED FOR PRAYERS ON SUNDAY MORNING. An usher will collect these cards during the service, and they will be presented to Pastor Jesus during our offering, when they will be added to our congregation prayers. You can also post prayer requests on the Christ Our Savior facebook page under "Comments," or contact Deb Odefey (630-209-9918) if you would like them added to our Prayer Chain.



MOVIE NIGHTS ARE COMING TO CHRIST OUR SAVIOR! MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The first movie night will be held on **Friday, April 28th**, and we will be showing "The Passion of Christ." You won't want to miss this riveting story of Christ and His crucifixion! Stay tuned... more details to come!



JOIN NEW SONG CHURCH ON MAY 6 FOR A MOTHER-DAUGHTER-SISTER-FRIEND LUNCHEON AND TEA! Our partner church, New Song Community Church in Aurora, has invited Christ Our Savior to their spring women's event on **Saturday, May 6, from 12:30 – 2:30 pm.** The luncheon and tea will feature real china, lovely food, girly games and music. Julaine Kammrath will be the guest speaker. She is a wife, mother, grandmother, former teacher, respected Bible study leader and author of two books published by

Concordia Publishing House. The cost is \$5 per adult and \$2 for children. If there is interest, we may reserve a Christ Our Savior table at the event. We can provide transportation.

This will be a great opportunity to enjoy a lovely time with your family and friends, hear a wonderful uplifting message, and have a chance to meet other women and girls from our partnership churches! If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet on the back table. Questions? Contact Deb Odefey or pastor.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Fund	February 2023	2023 YTD
Missions	\$110.00	\$190.00
Parking Lot Fund	\$123.00	\$228.00
Blessing Box	\$20.00	\$40.00
Parsonage Fund	\$100.00	\$150.00
Animal Shelter	\$30.00	\$60.00
Benevolent Fund	\$20.00	\$40.00

We thank our members for their generosity in contributing to these special funds!