

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Service of the Word
Sunday of the Passion—Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

Welcome to All in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

✠ **Gathering** ✠

WE ENTER INTO THE HOLY WEEK OF OUR SALVATION

The Holy Spirit, calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Announcements

Important: *If you do not have palms at home, you may use any other greenery to participate in this service.*

Invocation

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

C: Amen

Acclamation

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

C: Hosanna to the Son of David.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Palm Sunday Gospel — Mark 11:1-11

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.' " ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Blessing of Palms

Raise your branches.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

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

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

P: Let us go forth in peace, **C: in the name of the Lord.**

**Opening
Hymn**
#1074
HVW

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!



- 1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! Hear all the tribes ho - san - na cry;
- 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! The wing-ed squad-rons of the sky
- 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! Your last and fierc - est strife is nigh.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die.



O Sav - ior meek, your road pur - sue, with palms and scat-tered gar-ments strewed.
O Christ, your tri-umphs now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con-quer'd sin.
look down with sad and won-d'ring eyes to see the ap-proach-ing sac - ri - fice.
The Fa - ther on his sap-phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
bow your meek head to mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.
Music: ST. DROSTANI, John Bacchus Dykes, 1823–1876

Then the minister sings or says:

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

C: Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

✝ Word ✝

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

First Reading — Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

P: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:9-16

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I ¹ am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat ¹ and my belly.
¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my ¹ years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones ¹ are consumed.**
¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of ¹ my acquaintance;
when they see me in the street ¹ they avoid me.
¹²**I am forgotten like a dead man, ¹ out of mind;
I am as useless as a ¹ broken pot.**
¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is ¹ all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to ¹ take my life.
¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in ¹ you, O LORD.
I have said, “You ¹ are my God.**
¹⁵My times are ¹ in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who ¹ persecute me.
¹⁶**Make your face to shine up- ¹ on your servant,
and in your loving- ¹ kindness save me.”**

Second Reading — Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Philippians

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at

the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

We welcome the gospel by saying together.

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

Holy Gospel — Mark 14:1—15:47

P: The Passion of our Lord according to St. Mark. **C: Glory to you, O Lord**

¹It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; ²for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people." ³While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. ⁴But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? ⁵For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. ⁶But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. ⁷For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. ⁸She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. ⁹Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

¹⁰Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. ¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." ¹⁶So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. ¹⁷When it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." ¹⁹They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." ²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank

from it.²⁴ He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.²⁵ Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."²⁶ When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.²⁷ And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'²⁸ But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."²⁹ Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not."³⁰ Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."³¹ But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.³² They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."³³ He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated.³⁴ And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."³⁵ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.³⁶ He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."³⁷ He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour?³⁸ Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."³⁹ And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words.⁴⁰ And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him.⁴¹ He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.⁴² Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."⁴³ Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders.⁴⁴ Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."⁴⁵ So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him.⁴⁶ Then they laid hands on him and arrested him.⁴⁷ But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.⁴⁸ Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit?⁴⁹ Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."⁵⁰ All of them deserted him and fled.⁵¹ A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him,⁵² but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.⁵³ They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled.⁵⁴ Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire.⁵⁵ Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none.⁵⁶ For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree.⁵⁷ Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,⁵⁸ "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"⁵⁹ But even on this point their testimony did not agree.⁶⁰ Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"⁶¹ But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"⁶² Jesus said, "I am; and 'you will see

the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.' " ⁶³ Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? ⁶⁴ You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. ⁶⁵ Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophecy!" The guards also took him over and beat him. ⁶⁶ While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. ⁶⁷ When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." ⁶⁸ But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. ⁶⁹ And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." ⁷⁰ But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." ⁷¹ But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." ⁷² At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept. ^{15:1} As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. ² Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." ³ Then the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." ⁵ But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. ⁶ Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. ⁷ Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. ⁸ So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. ⁹ Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" ¹⁰ For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. ¹² Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" ¹³ They shouted back, "Crucify him!" ¹⁴ Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" ¹⁵ So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. ¹⁶ Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹ They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰ After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. ²¹ They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. ²² Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. ²⁵ It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷ And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ Those who passed by derided

him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

³¹In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself.

³²Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

³³When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi,

lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

⁴⁰There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

⁴²When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, ⁴³Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

⁴⁴Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. ⁴⁵When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph.

⁴⁶Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.

⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

The Message

The assembly is seated.

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn
Of the
Day
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My Song Is Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me,
2 He came from his blest throne, sal - va - tion to be - stow;
3 Some - times they strew his way and his sweet prais - es sing;
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?



love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.
but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.
re - sound-ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King.
He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.



Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail
 But, oh, my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his
 Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they
 Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and



flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 life did spend; who at my need his life did spend!
 thirst and cry, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 'gainst him rise; them - selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.

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| <p>5 They rise, and needs will have
 my dear Lord made away;
 a murderer they save,
 the prince of life they slay.
 Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes,
 that he his foes from thence might free.</p> | <p>6 In life, no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death, no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was his home;
 but mine the tomb wherein he lay.</p> |
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7 Here might I stay and sing—
 no story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
 I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624–1683
 Music: RHOSYMIEDRI: John D. Edwards, 1806–1885

The Intercessory Prayer

P: Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray to the Father for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

P: Almighty God, as your church sings glad hosannas and your people enter Holy Week, prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Be present with Christians who are persecuted. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Sustain the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Establish peace and justice among the nations, especially Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia, Sudan, Yemen, and the United States. Hold accountable to your justice those with authority to judge others. Grant courts, legislatures, and local governments to serve with integrity and compassion. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Bring hope to any who feel forsaken or forgotten. Guide those who make immigration policy. Reunite families enduring separation. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Give energy and joy to bishops, pastors, deacons, worship leaders, and musicians. Bless baptismal candidates, their sponsors, confirmands, and teachers. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Father, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in courageous discipleship throughout our lives, as you sustained Oscar Arnulfo Romero, bishop and martyr, whom we commemorate today. With all the saints, grant us to look forward to the day of Christ's coming and receive us into everlasting life. Lord, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

Peace

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection. God does not hold our sins against us. This is true peace. Like Jesus with his disciples, pastor shares the word of reconciliation from God to us.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

We share Christ's forgiving and reconciling love with one another, binding ourselves to one another as community. As we are at peace with God, so we are also at peace with one another.

✚ Thanksgiving ✚

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Theology of Stewardship

Everything we are and have belongs to God and is entrusted to us for God's glory.

We are committed to sharing God's resources so that we can be a vital center for the Gospel of Jesus Christ and help others locally and around the world.

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray.

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

Thanksgiving for the Word

P: Holy God, we give thanks for your Word, made known in your Son, Jesus. He says: Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies; it remains just a single grain; but if it dies it bears much fruit. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. (John 12:24, 26)

In this Holy Week, grant us your Holy Spirit to follow our Lord to the cross, that we might serve him in reverent praise and acts of love. Then, in your mercy, honor us in the resurrection of the dead so that we might thank you in everlasting praise. May your Word bear much fruit in our lives as we place our trust and hope in you, for the sake of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be they 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.**

✙ Sending ✙

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

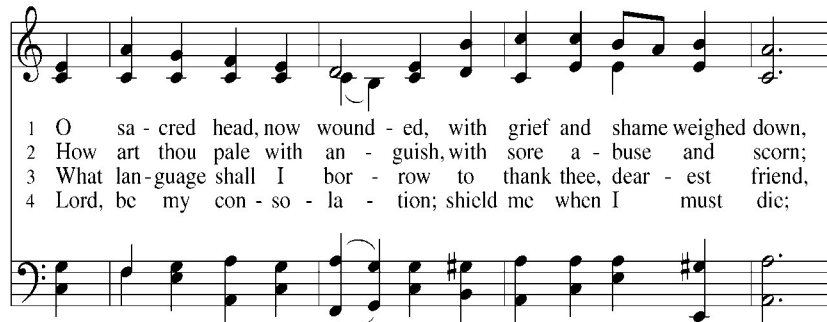
P: Almighty God, Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

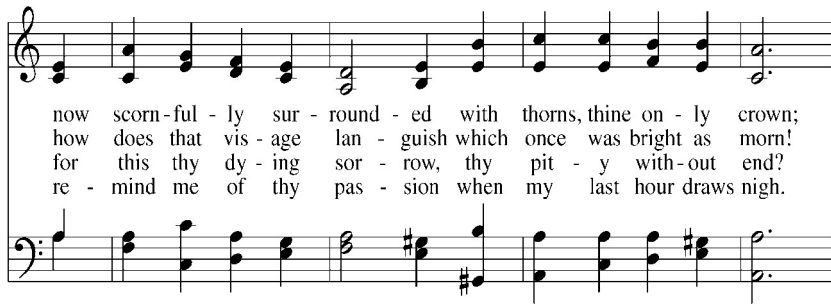
Closing Hymn

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O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
2 How art thou pale with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;



now scorn-ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 how does that vis - age lan - guish which once was bright as morn!
 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?
 re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;
 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,
 These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.
 for he who dies be - liev - ing dies safe - ly in thy love.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, c. 1250; tr. composite
 Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, c. 1500, adapt. Hans L. Hassler, 1564–1612

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Hand Bells Rehearsal — Wednesday, 6:30pm

Special Congregational Mtg— Sunday, MARCH 24, after worship

Approve new budget.

St. Peter's Coffee Social— 2nd Sunday each month — before & after service.

Worship & Music Meeting — Thursday, APRIL 4, 6:30 PM

Women of the ELCA of Christ Lutheran, Manchester

3rd Friday of each month, 12:30-2:00 PM

The women of St. Peter's are invited to attend the monthly meetings held at Christ Lutheran, Manchester. You are asked to bring your own brown bag & drink. After lunch, we have our business meeting and afterward, an activity.

March & April Activity: Baby Care Kits for the Lutheran Relief Warehouse.

May: Pr Schlegel will be presenting a Bible study.

June: Cookout/Covered Dish. Discussion of plans for September.

July & August: No meetings. Resume in September.

MARCH 17, 2024

OFFERING

General \$ 1,935.00	HVAC \$ 154.46	Easter \$ 10.00
Lent \$ 30.00	Community Meal \$ 60.00	



MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Susan Becker—Tom Brusan—Janice Cromer—Rich Davis—Betty Ellis—Shelva Gise—Bruce Harget—Samantha Hilker—Mike Hinkle—Doris Hoffacker—Ken Humphreys—Marsha Humphreys—Lori Joseph—Kenny Kile—Shirley Lutz—Ron Malehorn—Michele McFarland—Philip Michael—Pr Judy McKee—Brenda Croumer Miller—Dean Miller—Richard Miller—Charlie Neff—Rowan Neff—Scott Neff—Kathy Pugh—Dolores Rehmeyer—Bill & Rachel Sanders—Nancy Stough Miller—James Thompson—Vickie Toomey—Matthew Walters—Margaret & Pat Wiley

REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Donna Arnold—Norma Buck—Evelin Burgos—Stew & Linda Eisenhart—Bill Everhart—Don Everhart—Doris Hoffacker—Ken & Joyce Innerst—Carla & Mike Lehr—John Lehr—Jean Leiphart—Joanne V. Martin—Marguerite Ness Betty Roach—Lois Smith—Lois Snyder—Joyce Topper

God's Has a Mission!

*As disciples and stewards of Jesus Christ, we, the members of
St. Peter's Lutheran Church are committed to the preaching
and teaching of the Word of God to all people.
We will reach out to one another and to others, giving and receiving,
in worship, fellowship, and witness to Jesus Christ!*

Holy Week

York Conference Worship Service — **Monday— 7:00 pm** at St. Paul's

The Great Three Days (Triduum)

MAUNDY THURSDAY

3:30 pm at St. Peter's — **7:00 pm** at Christ Manchester

GOOD FRIDAY

3:30 & 7:00 pm at St. Peter's

HOLY SATURDAY/GREAT VIGIL of EASTER

7:00 pm at St. Paul's

The Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Day

SUNRISE SERVICE — 7:00 am @ St. Peter's (outdoors, weather permitting)

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST— 8:45 am at St. Peter's

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST — 10:30 am at Christ Manchester

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
947 North George Street, York PA 17404
8:45 AM—Worship Service



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This Week OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday
8:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Friday
Office Closed