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Palm/Passion Sunday



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SERVICE of WORSHIP

Setting 1 from Lutheran Book of Worship

THE PRELUDE: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Instrumental Ensemble

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

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

Amen

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

Hosanna to the Son of David.

THE PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-11

11 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and 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!

¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹ Then 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.

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, re - deem - er, king,

To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 You are the king of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are prais - ing you on high;
 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore you went.
 4 To you, be - fore your Pas - sion, They sang their hymns of praise.

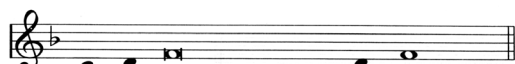
Refrain

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
 Cre - a - tion and all mor - tals In cho - rus make re - ply.
 Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore you we pre - sent.
 To you, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.

THE GREETING & KYRIE

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

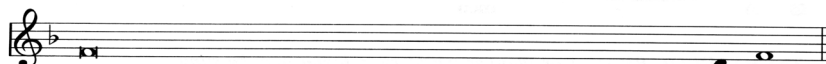
And also with you.



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.




C Lord, have mer - cy.



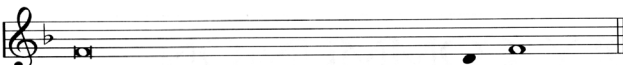
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



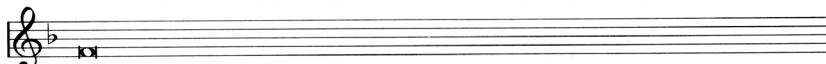
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,




and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



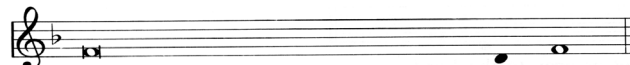
A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

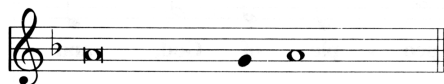


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



C A - men

THE SALUTATION



☐ The Lord be with you.



☑ And al - so with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

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; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

THE FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war-horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

THE PSALM

Psalm 31:1-5, 9-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame;

deliver me in your righteousness.

² **Incline your ear to me;**

make haste to deliver me.

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,

for you are my crag and my stronghold;

for the sake of your name,

lead me and guide me.

**⁴Take me out of the net
that they have secretly set for me,
for you are my tower of strength.**

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.

**⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD,
for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.**

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

**¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and
even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance;
when they see me in the street they avoid me.**

¹²I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.

**¹³For I have heard the whispering
of the crowd; fear is all around;
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.**

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.
I have said, "You are my God.

**¹⁵My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your lovingkindness save me."

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has

become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Return to the Lord"

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

THE PASSION SUNDAY GOSPEL

Mark 15:1-47

15 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. ²Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." ³Then the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." ⁵But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

⁶Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. ⁷Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. ⁸So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. ⁹Then 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!"³¹ In 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.³² Let 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.

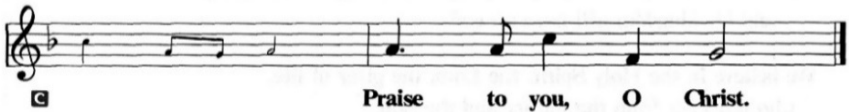
³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.³⁴ At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"³⁵ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."³⁶ And 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."³⁷ Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.³⁸ And 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 Gospel of the Lord.



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My Song Is Love Unknown

F Dm Bb6 F Am Gm F

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

Dm Bb6 F Am Gm F C

to the love-less shown, That they might love-ly be. Oh,
 men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know. But,
 sound-ing all the day Ho-san-nas to their King. Then
 made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight. Sweet

F Dm Bb Am C Bb C

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

Am C F Am F C7 F

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.

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!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Let us make confession to God.

Almighty God, merciful Father:

**I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you
all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you
and for which I justly deserve your punishment.**

**But I am sorry for them, and repent of them,
and pray for your boundless mercy.**

**For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ,
be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being;
forgive my sins,
give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life,
and bring me to life everlasting. Amen**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit he cleanses us and gives us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of his light. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY: "Create in Me"

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a
right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

THE BENEDICTION

HYMN: "Were You There" vs 1-3

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Were You There

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
 3 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you
 4 Were you there when God raised him from the tomb? Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh,
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh,
 there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh,
 there when God raised him from the tomb? Oh,

some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
 Were you there when God raised him from the tomb?

THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE: *Introit and Kyrie* from Faure's *Requiem*