



*We are one family of God,
inspired by the Holy Spirit to welcome everyone,
to serve our neighbors,
and to share God's love and saving grace.*



Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024
9:00 a.m.

PALM SUNDAY LITANY

P: We gather this day to begin the final part of the journey with Jesus to the cross.

C: **Hosanna to the Lamb of God, the King of Kings, the Savior of the world.**

P: Hosanna to the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

P: Hosanna to the humble King who loves those who betray him.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

P: Hosanna to the Savior who prepares to die for the sins of the world.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Pave the Way with Branches (ACS 928)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are celebrating Holy Communion in worship today.
- The Kiddos' Corner is located at the North side of the Sanctuary. Activity Bags are located inside the main entrance. Please utilize these resources as needed throughout our worship service.
- Thank you to our Worship Assistant, Sherri Taylor, to our AV technicians, Bennett Eriksrud and John Rekow, to Ginger Larson and Chancel Choir for their music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who writes the law on our hearts, and draws all people together through Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another, taking a moment for our own personal reflections.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

P: Holy God,

C: **we confess that we are caught in our sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurt grow into hatred. For all these things, known and unknown, forgive us, Lord. Amen.**

P: People of God, here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, washes away our sins, and restores the promise of life through ☩ Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

I Will Bless You, O God (Psalm 34) (DATH 34, vs. 2 & 3)

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Sovereign God,

C: you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who confess Jesus as Lord and praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

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: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

LENTEN PSALM

A Lenten Psalm (Pastor Laura Laughlin and Tom Paulson)

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HOLY GOSPEL Mark 11:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

When 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.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

“Leaning into the Cross” (Pastor Laura Laughlin)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (ELW 335, vs. 1, 3, 4)

STATEMENT OF FAITH

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

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear My Cry, O God (DATH 36)

For the season of Lent, we will be singing a congregational response after each prayer petition.

P: Hear us, O God...

C: **Hear my cry, O God;
listen to my prayer.
Listen to my song:
singing praises all along.**

PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Hosanna to the Son of David (Allen Pote) (Chancel Choir)

The offering will be received in offering plates during worship. To give by phone with *Text-to-Give*, text 833-497-3991 with the amount that you would like to contribute. To give online, visit our website and click on the *GIVE+Online* icon. We give thanks and praise for all gifts given toward our on-going mission.

OFFERTORY

Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior (WOV 614, vs. 4)

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.

C: **Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but give us a hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.**

COMMUNION GREETING

- 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 thanks to the Lord our God.
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

- P: God, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C: **Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. The congregation will be invited, by rows, to come forward and receive a wafer and a cup with either wine or grape-juice. Allergen-free elements are available upon request. Children who are not yet communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing! If you need to be served at your seat, please let an usher know.

DISTRIBUTION

We Worship and Adore You (arr. Mark Hayes) (Ginger Larson)

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

- P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.
P: Let us pray. Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now send us out to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.

BLESSING & SPARK DISMISSAL

- P: May God our Creator, ✠ Son, and Spirit bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and give you peace. Amen.
C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

There in God's Garden (ELW 342, vs. 1, 3, 4)

DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace. Share your bread.
C: **Thanks be to God. We will.**

SENDING MUSIC

Praise Him! Praise Him! (arr. Mark Hayes) (Ginger Larson)

Pave the Way with Branches

*Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.

The first system of music is written for a soprano or alto voice and a bass line. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some chords. The lyrics are: *Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.

Je - sus is com - ing. Ho - san - na. san - na.

The second system continues the melody. It includes a first ending (marked '1') and a second ending (marked '2'). The lyrics are: Je - sus is com - ing. Ho - san - na. san - na.

Ho - san - na, Je - sus is com - ing. Ho -

The third system continues the melody. The lyrics are: Ho - san - na, Je - sus is com - ing. Ho -

san - na to the Prince of peace. Prince of peace.

The fourth system concludes the main melody. It includes a first ending (marked '1') and a second ending (marked '2'). The lyrics are: san - na to the Prince of peace. Prince of peace.

**Additional verses ad lib.:*

Release for the captives . . .

Hope for the downtrod . . .

Land for the landless . . .

Debts are forgiven . . .

Text: Bret Hesla, b. 1957

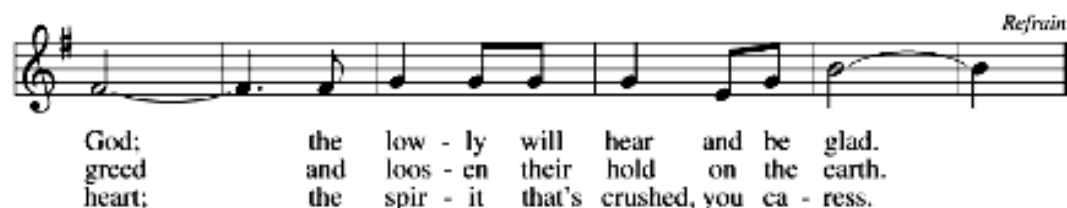
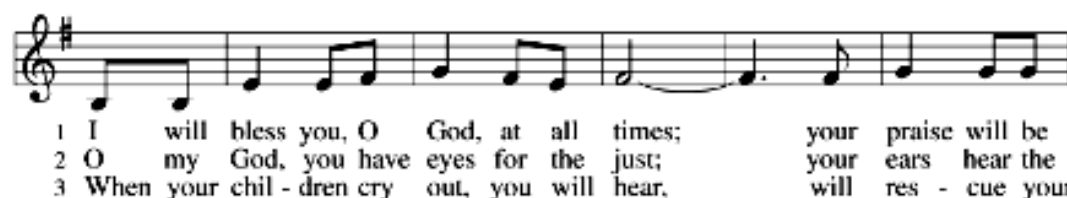
Music: PAVE THE WAY, Bret Hesla

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I Will Bless You, O God

Psalm 34



Text: Ray Makeover
Music: PSALM 34, Ray Makeover

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614 - Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior

1. Praise to you, O Christ, our sav-ior, Word of the Fa-ther, call-ing us to life:

5

Son of God who leads us to free-dom; glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

9

1. You are the Word who calls us out of dark-ness; you are the Word who leads us in-to light;
2. You are the one whom proph-ets hoped and longed for; you are the one who speaks to us to-day;
3. You are the Word who calls us to be ser-vants; you are the Word whose on-ly law is love;
4. You are the Word who binds us and u-nites us; you are the Word who calls us to be one;

13

you are the Word who brings us through the des-ert; glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!
you are the one who leads us to our fu-ture;
you are the Word made flesh who lives a-mong us;
you are the Word who teach-es us for-give-ness;

Announcements

Holy Saturday Taizé Worship...What is It?

You may have seen advertisements for our new Holy Week service this year...an outdoor Taizé service on the patio on March 30! Taizé is the style of Christian worship practiced by the ecumenical Taizé community in France, characterized by repetitive singing of simple songs, interspersed with readings, prayers, and periods of silence. This service will be short, meditative, and peaceful, a perfect interlude between Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We will gather on the patio at 5:00 p.m. surrounded by candles, campfires, and celebrate a baptism while also joining in simple prayer and song together. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Laura (pastorlaura@crownofglory.org).

2024 Holy Saturday Walk

Due to scheduling conflicts, this year's Holy Saturday Nature Walk has been canceled. We hope to bring this meaningful experience back in 2025!

Crown of Glory College Kids Virtual Meetings with Pastor Reggie

Do you have a kiddo in college? Would they like to make a connection with other college students from Crown of Glory? Pastor Reggie leads a College Kids Zoom Gathering every other Sunday evening from 7:00-8:00 p.m. All are welcome to join. To get signed up email Pastor Reggie (pastorreggie@crownofglory.org) for the zoom link each month! Next Zoom Meetings are March 24 and April 7.

Lutheran Women Gone Wild: April 4

Join them at 5:30 p.m. at El Toro Mexican Restaurant (1120 1st Ave E, Shakopee, MN 55379) for food and fellowship. Contact Sandi Rue, sure@rues.org, if you would like to attend or have questions.

Sign-up to Attend Book Discussion and Potluck with Ellie Krug: April 7 at 5:00 p.m.

(Book Available for Purchase at the church office)

The Justice & Inclusion Team is sponsoring a discussion of the book *Getting to Ellen: A Memoir about Love, Honesty and Gender Change* by Ellie Krug. Ellie Krug will join us for a potluck and book discussion on Sunday, April 7. The potluck will be held in the Sun Hall from 5:00-6:00 p.m. and the book discussion will follow from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Please sign-up, on the sheet located in the Gathering Space, if you would like to attend.

Crown of Glory's Monthly Pledge to the Bountiful Basket Food Shelf: March

During March our goal is to collect 100 personal care items. The personal care items should be placed in the bin located in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your contributions!

Share Your Crown of Glory Moments

All are invited to take pictures of fun moments and life at Crown of Glory and share them on the Crown of Glory Facebook page and/or email them to crownofglorychaska@gmail.com.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Due to Holy Week, there will not be Wednesday night dinner served March 27. Dinner will resume on Wednesday, April 3.



Holy Week Worship Schedule

***In Person & Livestream**

Palm Sunday Weekend Worship

Saturday, March 23
5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 24
9:00 a.m.*

Maundy Thursday Worship

First Communion Celebration
Thursday, March 28
6:30 p.m.*

Good Friday Worship

Friday, March 29
6:30 p.m.*

Holy Saturday Taize Worship

Saturday, March 30
5:00 p.m.

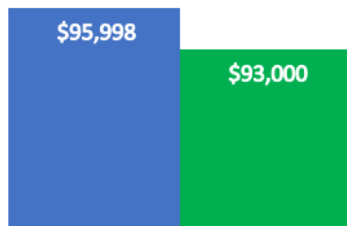
Easter Sunday Worship

Sunday, March 31
8:30 a.m.*
&
10:30 a.m.



**Sustaining Fund
Contributions Report
2/29/2024 YTD**

■ ACTUAL ■ BUDGET

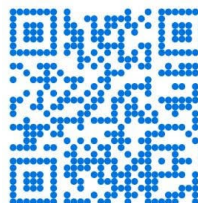


DIFFERENCE: \$2,998

Financial Update

Our 2024 monthly budget goal for contributions through January is \$46,500. Total contributions through February were \$95,998. A difference of \$2,998 over our YTD budget goal of \$93,000. Thank you for your generous gifts and continued support!

To give via Venmo, scan the QR code. Include the amount you would like to contribute and the fund you are giving to.



Charitable Giving Information

Investment groups have great information on tax savings that help you give more to charitable causes and could save you money overall. Win/win! Check out this link for ideas (disclaimer, we do not give tax advice, simply serving up ideas for your review with your tax advisor).

<https://www.fidelitycharitable.org/guidance/charitable-tax-strategies.html>

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Please Note: No food or drink is allowed in the Sanctuary,
with the exception of water and Holy Communion.

Phone: 952-448-3230

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Worship Schedule: Saturday 5:00 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m.

