

The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory

“Behold, your King is coming to you . . . humble and mounted on a donkey” (Zech. 9:9-12; Mt. 21:1-9). Our Lord rides in this humble fashion because He is entering Jerusalem to humble Himself even to the point of death on a cross (Phil. 2:5-11). His kingly crown will not be made of gold but of thorns, the sign of sin's curse. For His royal reign is displayed in bearing this curse for His people, saving us from our enemies by sacrificing His own life. The sinless One takes the place of the sinner so that the sinner can be freed and bear the name “Barabbas,” “son of the Father” (Matthew 26 and 27). It is at the name of this exalted Savior, Jesus, that we bow in humble faith. With the centurion who declared, “Truly this was the Son of God!” (Mt. 27:54), we are also given to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil. 2:11).

Adult Bible Study: As we will be celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord next Sunday, we will take a brief break from our series on I Corinthians. Next Sunday we will instead take a look at the Resurrection itself and what it means for us.

Sermon Notes:

March 28, 2010

Serving us today:

Rev. Dr. John Hellwege- Preacher and Celebrant
Rev. Dr. Benjamin Mayes - Cantor and Lector
Mr. Kurt Rolland - Usher
Mrs. Karen Rolland- Organist

Palm Sunday

Palmarum

March 28, 2010



“Behold, your King comes to you, righteous and having salvation.”

Zechariah 9:9

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Welcome, guests and visitors!

If you have any questions or would like further information about Emmaus, the Lutheran Church, or are looking for a church home, please speak to the pastor or an usher after the service. On the insert of this bulletin are page numbers for the service. Thank you for joining us; we hope that you visit again soon!

Please note that we celebrate the Lord’s Supper today, in which Christ gives into our mouths not merely bread and wine, but His true body and His true blood for life, salvation, and the forgiveness of our sins. Because Holy Communion can be received unworthily to our detriment, and because the Sacrament testifies to a common confession of faith, we invite to the Lord’s Table this morning members of this congregation and those who belong to sister congregations of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod.

If you have any questions about Holy Communion or are not in full communion fellowship with this congregation, please speak to the pastor before communing.

Our mission:

"Enabled by His Spirit, Emmaus Lutheran Church proclaims God's love and grace in Jesus Christ to all people through excellent liturgical worship, bold community outreach, and dedicated, caring service to our neighbor."

Attendance last week:

Divine Service: 21
Communed: 18
Adult Bible Class: 7
Confirmation: 4
Sunday School: 11
Midweek service: 14

Monthly budget need: \$3,927.00

Offerings last Sunday: \$125.00

This week:

Today	Choir rehearsal	8:15 a.m.
	Sunday school/ Adult Bible class	9:15 a.m.
	Divine Service	10:30 a.m.
	Voters meeting	11:45 a.m.
Thursday	Maundy Thursday worship	7:00 p.m.
Friday	Choir rehearsal	6:15 p.m.
	Good Friday worship	7:00 p.m.

Coming up:

April 4	Easter Sunday Bible class	9:15 a.m.
	Easter Sunday worship	10:30 a.m.

Complete calendar notes can be found at www.emmaus-stl.org.

Please remember these brothers and sisters in your prayers: Chaz Brown, Catherine Cheeks, Gus & Georgette Grady, Rebecca Mayes, Deborah McIntyre, Diane McIntyre, Barb Pisani, LaToya Talton, Leta Valendy, Carol Velten, Emil & Walinda Weidenhoffer,. Friends of the parish: Frederick & Marlene Klemm, Rev. Michael Seidenstricker. We also lift up Joshua and Diane Hayes as they Josh serves their vicarage congregation during Holy Week.

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Propers for *Palmarum*, the Sunday of the Passion

PRELUDE: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

-John Leavitt

The service of Passion Sunday, beginning with the procession of palms, reflects the contrasting attitudes toward Jesus that were on display during the days leading up to His crucifixion. "Palm Sunday" is named after the palms that were spread before Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The acclamation of the people, "Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord," clearly reveals that they hailed Jesus as the messianic king. Yet only days later, our Lord would hear the cry "Crucify!" This contrast is reflected on this day as the joy of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem gives way to the somber remembrance of His passion.

GREETING

(Please rise and turn to face the pastor.)

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

℟. Amen.

☩. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

℟. Hosanna to the Son of David.

COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. ... one God, now and forever.

℟. Amen.

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL John 12:12-19

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

℟. Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: The next day ... This is the Gospel of the Lord.

℟. Praise to You, O Christ.

☩. Let us go forth in peace,

℟. In the name of the Lord.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 442

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

☩. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

℟. Hosanna in the highest.

(A time of silence is observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion. The service continues on p. 189 of the hymnal with the SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY.)

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Zechariah 9:9-12; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:1-27:66

GRADUAL: You hold my right hand. You guide me with Your counsel, and afterward You will receive me to glory. Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.

TRACT: My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? In You our fathers trusted; they trusted, and You delivered them. To You they cried and were rescued; in You they trusted and were not put to shame.

SERMON HYMN: 438

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

SERMON

"Putting It All Together"

Zechariah 9:9-12

(See back of bulletin for writing your sermon notes.)

OFFERTORY: In the Cross of Christ I Glory

-John Leavitt

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in your mercy,

OR

P: Let us pray to the Lord,

C: Hear our prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy.

COMMUNION HYMN: 455

The Royal Banners Forward Go

CLOSING HYMN: 444

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

POSTLUDE: No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

-Charles Ore