

PROCESSION WITH PALMS

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

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples,

³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it

and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop."

⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

THANKSGIVING

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud and Honor" insert

PROCESSIONAL PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

Have 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 up- | on your servant,*

and in your loving- | kindness save me."

When all are in their places:

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

C **Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.
(chanted)

All **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All **Amen**

Sit

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 50:4-9a

The 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 wakens— wakens 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.

9It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Let 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.

Stand

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GOSPEL Luke 22:14–23:56

When the hour came, [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. 15He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; 16for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17Then he took a cup,

and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. ²¹But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. ²²For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" ²³Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it

over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

²⁸"You are those who have stood by me in my trials; ²⁹and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

³¹"Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, ³²but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." ³³And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!"

³⁴Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."

³⁵He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing." ³⁶He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. ³⁷For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless'; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled." ³⁸They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

³⁹He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ⁴⁰When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

⁴¹Then he withdrew from them

about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ⁴²"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done." [⁴³Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. ⁴⁴In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.] ⁴⁵When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

⁴⁷While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; ⁴⁸but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" ⁴⁹When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

"Lord, should we strike with the sword?" ⁵⁰Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ⁵¹But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. ⁵²Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit?" ⁵³When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

⁵⁴Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. ⁵⁵When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. ⁵⁶Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." ⁵⁷But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do

not know him." ⁵⁸A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" ⁵⁹Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." ⁶⁰But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. ⁶¹The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." ⁶²And he went out and wept bitterly.

⁶³Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; ⁶⁴they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" ⁶⁵They kept heaping many other insults on him.

⁶⁶When day came, the assembly of the elders of the

people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. ⁶⁷They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; ⁶⁸and if I question you, you will not answer. ⁶⁹But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." ⁷⁰All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." ⁷¹Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"

^{23:1}Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. ²They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." ³Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." ⁴Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I

find no basis for an accusation against this man." ⁵But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

⁶When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. ⁹He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate.

12That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

13Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, 14and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him.

15Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death.

16I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

18Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"

19(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) 20Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; 21but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" 22A third time he said to

them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." 23But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. 24So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. 25He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

26As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. 27A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. 28But Jesus turned to them and said,

"Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 29For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' 30Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' 31For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

32Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. 33When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [34Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. 35And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen

one!" 36The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, 37and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

38There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

39One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" 40But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?"

41And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." 42Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

44It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon,

45while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. 46Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. 47When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." 48And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. 49But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

50Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, 51had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. 52This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. 53Then he

took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. 54It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. 55The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. 56Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

HYMN OF THE DAY

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THE PRAYERS

A As we seek in this Lenten time to grow in our faith, let us pray for the life of the world.

A brief silence.

A For the whole church, that the love of God shown in Christ's passion may be reflected in its words and deeds, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For those preparing for baptism and those who will affirm their baptisms, that in every tongue and nation the confession of Jesus Christ as Lord be heard anew, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For peace and harmony among the religions and nations of the world, that celebrations of Passover and Easter be delivered from bloodshed, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For those in any need during this holy week (*especially*), that they may find comfort and relief from God and from those who follow in the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For this congregation, that through the celebration of Christ's passion our ministry might be renewed and our faith restored; let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A Remembering Benedict the African, monk, and all the faithful departed (*especially*), that we may at length celebrate with them at the unending feast of the Paschal Lamb, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Grant these prayers, merciful God, and all that we need, as we eagerly await the Easter feast; through Jesus Christ our Lord

☩ Amen

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Sit

OFFERING

The Offering is received, as the Lord's table is prepared.

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+Please stand as you are able

Those for Whom We Pray

Virginia Mock	Kalfas Family
Gary Turner	Grace Hershberger
Sarah Pruszynski	Terry Fyock
Tommy Osman	Ed Figura
Colleen Figura	Maddie Letsche
Eva Miller	Rick Vogelsberger
Tom Eschmann	Tom Ritchey
Liam Norris	Landon Norris
Tom Shaffer	Linda Greathouse
Betty Hoagland	Jaden Brown
Gloria Geisel	Jackie Couch
Danny Feather	Shelly Delasko
Anthony Strushensky	Tom Strushensky

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Nathan Custer	Jeremy Boyce
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David Custer	Kristin Custer
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Sean Danowski	Eric Mannion
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Troy Hershberger	Rebecca Thevenot
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If you have any changes for the prayer list, please call the office. Thank you.

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Announcements:

- 🕒 St Peter's will have Brunch following church today and an Easter egg hunt following the brunch.
- 🕒 St. Peter's Council meeting has been rescheduled to Monday March 25th at 7:00.
- 🕒 Lenten bible study at Messiah has been rescheduled to Tuesday, March 26th at noon.
- 🕒 Happy Birthday to Devon Holderbaum, Brandi Jo Osman, John Deffibaugh, Vanessa Heshberger, Gerald Musselman, Grant Weyant, Grace Hershberger, Sherrie Holderbaum, Joshua Ickes, Jody Lund, Ashley Stoudnour and Breely Clapper.
- 🕒 Happy Anniversary to Sheldon & Joyce Corle and William & Magaly Ickes.

Lenten Schedule 7:00 p.m.

3/28 St. Peter's - Maundy Thursday

3/29 Messiah - Good Friday

Monthly Schedule

St. Peter's Bible Study every
Tuesday or Thursday
10-noon at Mary Kay Osman's

Outreach Sunday – 1st Sunday

St. Peter's WELCA meeting –
1st Sunday

Parish Council meeting –
2nd Sunday 7:00
(odd months only 3,5,7...)

Healing Hearts spousal
bereavement support group –
2nd Wednesday 7:00 at St. Peter's

St. Peter's Council meeting –
3rd Monday

Comforting Friends – 3rd Tuesday,
7:00 at Trinity Reformed Church,
Osterburg

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

Non-perishable food items are
being collected at St. Peter's
and will be delivered to New
Paris food bank on the
following Mondays.

April 15

May 13

June 17

July 15

August 12

September 16

October 14

November 11

December 16