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**Palm Sunday
April 2nd, 2023**

Interim Pastor: Pastor Paul Weeg
Lay Reader: Kristy Arzberger

Organist: Donna Schilling
Acolyte: Landon Hillman

Prelude: *“Fugue”* George Fredric Handel and
“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” Arr. Georg F. Kaurmann

Please rise and face the back of the sanctuary for the Processional Gospel

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**

The Processional Gospel: John 12: 12-19

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. Grant that now we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow 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. Amen

Processional Hymn: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* LBW # 108

Children’s Choir: *“Give Me Oil in My Lamp”* and *“Down in My Heart”*

Children’s Sermon

Opening Prayer: **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. Amen**

First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16 (read responsively).....(See insert)

Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

The Reading of the Passion Gospel: Matthew 27:11-54

Choir Anthem: *“The Palms”*

Sermon

Nicene Creed.....LBW p. 64

Prayer of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

The Collection of the Offering: *“Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty”* Arr. Hans Arnold Metzger

Offering Response: *What shall I render to the Lord*.....LBW p. 67

Offertory Prayer: *Blessed are you*.....LBW p. 68

The Words of Institution.....LBW p. 69

The Lord’s Prayer.....LBW p. 71

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God).....LBW p. 72

Note to our guests: As your church’s tradition and your conscience may allow, we welcome all who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and who believe in the real presence of Christ in, with and under the bread and wine to participate in the celebration of Holy Communion.

The Distribution

***Wide Open Are Your Hands*.....LBW # 489**

***Jesus, Refuge of the Weary*.....LBW # 93**

The Post-Communion Canticle: *Lord, now you let your servant go in peace*.....LBW p. 73

The Post-Communion PrayerLBW p. 74

The Benediction and AmenLBW p. 74

Announcements

Closing Hymn: ***Ride On, Ride On in Majesty***(See insert)

Chimes and Postlude: *“Maestoso”* by Johann Erasmus Kindermann

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Members, friends, and visitors: welcome to our worship today. We are glad you are here and your presence is important to all of us. Whatever your joys and sorrow are, we pray this worship time with and under the gracious Word of God will bring peace and contentment into your days and assure you of the great gift God has given to the world in Jesus, the Christ. If you are able, join us in the Fellowship Hall for light refreshments and conversation.

Our Condolences to Dale Schultz... at the death of his brother-in-law, Robert “Bob” Davis, who died on March 21st at the age of 90. He was married to Dale’s sister, Doris, for 59 years. The funeral was held on March 27th. May God comfort all those who mourn.

Keep in your prayers...Caren Bartz and family. Caren is currently hospitalized in the ICU in Rochester.

You may order an Easter lily... to be placed “in memory” or “in honor” of loved ones or “to the Glory of God.” The cost is \$15 per plant and the forms are outside the office door.

We will celebrate First Holy Communion... for three young men on Maundy Thursday. Aiden Cook, Trey Feldt, and Trevor Gordon will come to the table of the Lord for the first time. Please come and share the sacrament with these young persons and their families.

The offerings on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday... will be given to Benevolence. **Easter offering** will be kept in the General Fund.

Bring a basket and hop down to our annual Easter Egg Hunt... on Saturday, April 8th at the Grafton Community Center. Registration starts at 10 am. There will be games, snacks, and prizes to follow. Open to youth ages 12 and under.

For Pastoral Care...contact Pastor Paul Weeg at 641-381-0675. You may also contact the church office or Sharon Hulshizer at 641-425-7775.

Offering: Sunday, March 26th: General: \$1,519; Benevolence: \$125, Building: \$130, SS: \$7
Attendance: 73

This Week at Emmanuel April 3rd - April 9th

Wednesday, April 5 th	1:00 pm	Connection Group (The Chosen)
	4:30 pm	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	Choir
Thursday, April 6 th	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service w/HC (<i>Choir</i>)
Friday, April 7 th	7:00 pm	Good Friday Service (<i>Choir</i>)
Sunday, April 9 th	8:00-9:00 am	Easter Breakfast
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:30 am	Easter Service w/ Holy Communion (<i>Choir</i>)
		<i>No Fellowship or Sunday School</i>

Mark your calendars...for an **Ecumenical Spring Sing** on *Sunday, April 16th from 2-4 p.m.* at the **Sacred Heart Church in Osage**. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall. Free will offering donated to Food banks in Mitchell County. (*See poster on bulletin board for more information.*)

PSALM 31: 9-16

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

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

L: 11) I 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.

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

L: 13) For 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.

**C: 14) But as for me,
I have trusted in you, O LORD.
I have said, “You are my God.**

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

**C: 16) Make your face
to shine upon your servant,
And in your lovingkindness save me.”**

*Psalm
31:9-16
Have mercy
on me, Lord,*