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PALM SUNDAY
March 28 & 29, 2026

The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM services. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder or Worship Assistant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS READ FROM THE LECTERN / CANDLES ARE LIT

GREETING *(Spoken from the back of the church)*

Please stand

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

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord God, as the people in Jerusalem gathered to welcome Your Son, our Lord, when He came into His holy city, so we sing of Your coming among us today with songs of praise. Keep us steadfast in our hope and confession of faith throughout our lives that we may meet Him with grateful hearts when He comes again in glory. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL *Matthew 21:1–11* *(The triumphal entry)*

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find

a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." *(continued...)*

⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵“Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees

and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” ¹⁰And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (5:30 & 8:00) **“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”** LSB 443, sts. 1-3
(10:30) **“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”** LSB 441, sts. 1-5

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

Please sit

(10:30 SERVICE ONLY) SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING

“He’ll be Riding on a Donkey When He Comes” & “King of Kings”

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 50:4–9a* (The servant’s obedience)

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a
word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out
the beard;

I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like a 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 is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *Philippians 2:5–11* (Christ's example of humility)

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God

has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

People: He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Please stand**HOLY GOSPEL *John 12:20–43*** (*The Son of Man must be lifted up.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapter 12, beginning at verse 20.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name."

Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" ³⁵So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. (*continued...*)"

³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.”

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them.

³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

⁴⁰“He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with

their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them.”

⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him.

⁴²Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CREED *Nicene Creed* (see inside back cover of hymnal or screens)

Please sit

(8:00 & 10:30 ONLY) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE *Joshua Burmeister*

HYMN OF THE DAY (5:30 & 8:00) **“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”** *LSB 442, sts. 1-5*
(10:30) **“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”** *LSB 443, sts. 1-3*

SERMON 5:30 – “WHY DO YOU WANT TO SEE JESUS?” (*Text: John 12:20-42*)
The Rev. Dr. Brent Klein

8:00 & 10:30 – “HUMBLE SERVICE” (*Text: John 12:12-16*)
The Rev. Robert Burmeister

OFFERING (8:00 ONLY) **“On That Day When He Rode into Jerusalem”** *Trinity Choir*

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: O God, for all the joy with which the people in Jerusalem greeted Your Son that day when He entered the holy city for the final time and for all the joy we feel this day as we gather before You in praise and worship, we recall His goal that week and our great need for His accomplishment of Your will of salvation. Grant that the remembrance of His innocent suffering and death draw us nearer to You in true repentance of our sin. Give us faith to know with confidence that the door of mercy is still open to us with the deliverance He won on the cross, bestowing forgiveness of sin and eternal life in His name. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: Grant that the Good News of Your work of salvation through Your Son for the life of the world be proclaimed throughout our world today by Your holy church through faithful pastors and witnesses in every place, that many turn to You and hear Your invitation for reconciliation with You through faith in Your great goodness. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Pastor: As we all contend with the challenges of living still in a fallen world, we pray for Your help and healing of all who are sick, injured, troubled in any way, those who are lonely or afraid, [*especially . . .*], and all we name in our hearts before You. Be the strength of the weary and the great physician of soul, mind, and spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray that You guide and protect our Pastor, Alex Slotter, as he prepares to leave his calling with the churches in Iowa and move to lead Your church family at Trinity here in Faribault. Give strength and courage to Pastor's family as they prepare to move. Lord, in Your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Bless the students, the teachers and staff and the parents of Faribault Lutheran School. We pray that the lessons learned in our school always bring praise and honor to You and give strengthening of faith to both teachers and students. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

(Additional prayers will be inserted here...)

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.

Pastor: All other petitions we bring to You in the words of the prayer You have taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

People: 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 5:30 and 8:00 services will continue with Holy Communion below.* * ***

*** * *The 10:30 service will conclude with the Benediction and Closing Hymn on page 8. * * ***

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matt. 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Cor. 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

PAX DOMINI

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

People: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God" *LSB p 163*

☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"O Living Bread from Heaven" *LSB 642, sts. 1-4*

"Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior" *LSB 627, sts. 1-10*

After the distribution—please stand

COMMUNION DISMISSAL

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

People: **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

*** * *10:30 Service Concludes below with the Benediction and Closing Hymn* * ***

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Please sit

CLOSING HYMN

(5:30 & 8:00) **“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”** *LSB 441, sts. 1-5*

(10:30) **“Lift High the Cross”** *LSB 837, sts. 1-4*

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

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