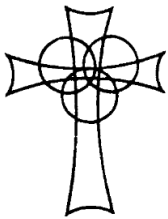


But they shouted
all the more,
"Let Him
be crucified!"

Matthew 27:23



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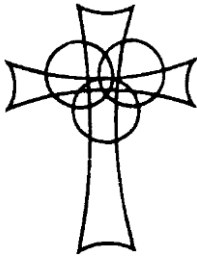
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Sunday of the Passion



PALM SUNDAY
The First Day of Holy Week
April 2, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us in worship today. We come together in this holiest week of the entire Christian Year to reflect and meditate upon those great and mighty acts by which God has brought life and salvation to the world through the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May God send His Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may be sanctified and renewed through our reflection upon our salvation and be brought at last to the bright Easter dawn.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the Passion of Your Son You offer Your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with Him before communing.



**THE SOLEMN LITURGY OF
WORD AND SACRAMENT
ON THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION**

✠ *Jesus, Mercy!* ✠

The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem

The Congregation gathers within the nave of the church as usual. All of the worshipers receive palm branches as they enter the church for the service. At the time of the service, the altar candles are lighted and the ministers take their places in the chancel for the beginning of the Liturgy.

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“Allegretto” – Albinoni

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 443

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
 Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
 And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

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The Apostolic Greeting and Opening Collect:

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

C **And also with you.**

P Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!

C **Hosanna to the Son of David!**

P Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with Your help, 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 and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**



The Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 442

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re - deem - er, King,
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
 I You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.

Refrain

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The Reading of the Palm Sunday Gospel

John 12:12-19

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

¹⁵“Fear not, daughter of Zion,
 behold, your king is coming,
 sitting on a donkey's colt!”

¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.

¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Hymn, continued

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re - deem - er, King,
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
Refrain
 And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
 Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.

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The Thanksgiving and Blessing of the Palms:

- 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.**

The Congregation raises their palm branches for the prayer of blessing.

- 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.**

- P** Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord!
- C** Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

The Hymn, concluded

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re - deem - er, King,
 To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
 5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,
Refrain
 To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
 O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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The Antiphon:

- P** Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.
- C** Hosanna in the highest.

A time of silence is observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His Passion.



The Service of the Word

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

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.

C **Amen.**

The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

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?

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Philippians 2:5-11

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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

“A Stable Lamp Is Lighted”

The Solemn Reading of the Passion Gospel

The Passion according to Saint Matthew
Saint Matthew 27:11-66

The Congregation is invited to read the text printed in bold type

P The Passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

¹¹Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You have said so.” ¹²But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. ¹³Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?” ¹⁴But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

¹⁵Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. ¹⁶And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. ¹⁷So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?” ¹⁸For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. ¹⁹Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream.” ²⁰Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. ²¹The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” And they said,

“Barabbas.”

²²Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” They all said,

“Let him be crucified!”

²³And he said, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more,

“Let him be crucified!”

²⁴So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.” ²⁵And all the people answered,

“His blood be on us and on our children!”

²⁶Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

²⁷Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. ²⁸And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” ³⁰And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. ³¹And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

³²As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. ³³And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), ³⁴they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. ³⁵And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. ³⁶Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. ³⁷And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.” ³⁸Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. ³⁹And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads ⁴⁰and saying,

“You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself!

If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”

⁴¹So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying,

⁴²“He saved others; he cannot save himself.

He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.

⁴³He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him.

For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’”

⁴⁴And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

⁴⁵Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. ⁴⁶And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” ⁴⁷And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said,

“This man is calling Elijah.”

⁴⁸And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. ⁴⁹But the others said,

“Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”

⁵⁰And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

A moment of silence is kept for reflection and in thanksgiving for our redemption

⁵¹And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. ⁵²The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, ⁵³and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. ⁵⁴When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said,

“Truly this was the Son of God!”

⁵⁵There were also many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him, ⁵⁶among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

⁵⁷When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. ⁵⁹And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud ⁶⁰and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away. ⁶¹Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

⁶²Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³and said, “Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, ‘After three days I will rise.’ ⁶⁴Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, ‘He has risen from the dead,’ and the last fraud will be worse than the first.” ⁶⁵Pilate said to them, “You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can.” ⁶⁶So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

¶ Here ends the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 430

“My Song Is Love Unknown”



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
 sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
 spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
 King. Then “Cru - ci - fy!” Is all their breath,
 sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 And for His death They thirst and cry.
 Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

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The Sermon

Chronicles of God’s Amazing Grace
 The Crowd: Grace for the Loveless
 Text: Matthew 27:15-26

The Congregation rises.

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** O God, our heavenly Father, You sent Your Son Jesus Christ to be the payment for the sins of the whole world. As our Lord Jesus entered Jerusalem to the shouts of “Hosanna,” so hear our prayers as we bring our prayers before You now. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Holy Spirit, as our Lord Jesus humbled himself by making himself a servant to all, so help us to have the mind of Christ that we may serve our neighbor humbly in His Name. Give us opportunities to serve and proclaim Christ in our words and actions, thus bringing glory to His Name. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lord, You delight in the praise and confession of Your Name. Be with those who minister in Your Church throughout the world and bless the teaching and preaching of Your Gospel and the administration of Your Sacraments. Bless also the words that every Christian speaks in Your Name to give witness to the hope that is within them. May all Your people joyfully confess “Jesus Christ is Lord” so that the whole world may adore Your sacred Name. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Heavenly Father, You hold in Your hand all the might of man. We ask you to give wisdom to our world leaders that they might govern with integrity and respect the rights of all. Bring to nothing the plans of those who oppose Your gracious will. Bless especially our nation and all who serve the people: our administrators, legislators, judges, and all who serve to uphold law and order, especially our federal agents who guard our borders, our police, and all others whose service keeps us safe. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** According to Your gracious will, O Lord, look in mercy on all those who suffer illness and or are in need of any sort of healing, especially _____ Bless them with what is best for them according to Your will, and help them to trust in Your manifold mercy. Use us also to help them so that we may serve them in their bodily need. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P God of mercy and consolation, take into Your loving care all who mourn the death of loved ones,[especially ____]. Give to them peace and comfort in Christ's resurrection from the dead. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Provider of all good gifts, You abundantly bless Your people with all that is necessary for life on earth, as well as giving us that which gladdens our hearts. With those who rejoice we also rejoice, especially _____. May we ever give You all thanks and praise for every blessing that You continue to shower on us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lover of souls, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your fatherly care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you (_____ and) all the people and concerns we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear these prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, in Your Blessed Sacrament You give us Your Body and Blood for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we receive these gifts, help us to make confession of the unity You give in this Sacrament. Keep us from impenitence, that all who receive Your Body and Blood may receive it to their good and the glory of Your holy Name. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, we thank You for every knee in heaven that now bows at the Name of Jesus. We pray that, as we remember the suffering and death of Christ, You would increase our faith in You as we look forward with joy to the day of our own death and the glorious resurrection of all believers in Christ on the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**



The Sharing of the Peace:

- P** Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ’s blood, for He is our peace.
The Peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C** **And also with you.**

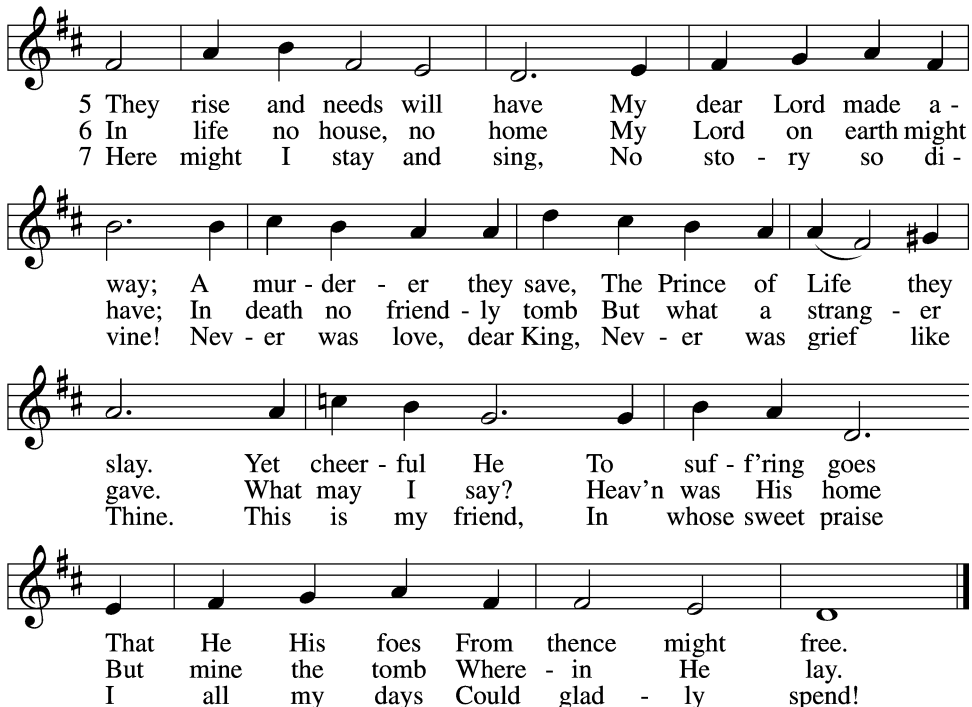
The Congregation is seated.

The Service of the Sacrament

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 430

“My Song Is Love Unknown”



5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -
6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might
7 Here might I stay and sing, No sto - ry so di -
way; A mur - der - er they save, The Prince of Life they
have; In death no friend - ly tomb But what a strang - er
vine! Nev - er was love, dear King, Nev - er was grief like
slay. Yet cheer - ful He To suf - f'ring goes
gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home
Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise
That He His foes From thence might free.
But mine the tomb Where - in He lay.
I all my days Could glad - ly spend!

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

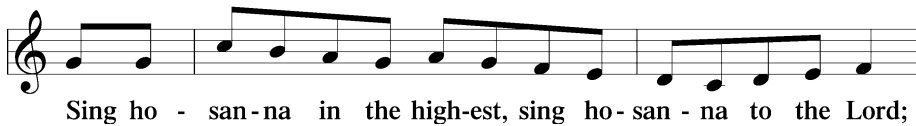
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the Cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His Body and Blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:
- C** **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 Words of Our Lord:

- P** 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."

The Peace:

- P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**



The Agnus Dei:

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion:

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of three ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, 2) intinction: dipping the bread lightly into the chalice held by the Pastor, or 3) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Music During the Distribution:


The Trinity Singers

“We Remember”

The Distribution Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 547

“The Lamb”




1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.
 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.




Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
 The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
 So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.
 He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own high - teous - ness.
 His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

Refrain



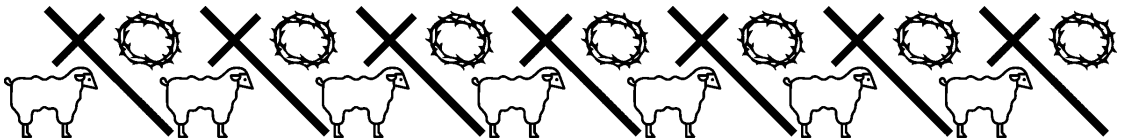
Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His
 own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!



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The Congregation rises.



The Post Communion Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 692

“Praise to You and Adoration”



1 Praise to You and ad - o - ra - tion, Bless - ed Je - sus,
2 Hold me ev - er in Your keep - ing; Com - fort me in

Son of God, Who, to serve Your own cre - a - tion, Came to
pain and strife. In my laugh - ter and my weep - ing Be with

share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I nev - er may
me through - out my life. Give me great - er love for You,

From Your fold or pas - tures stray, But with zeal and
And my faith and hope re - new In Your birth, Your

joy ex - ceed - ing Fol - low where Your steps are lead - ing.
life, and pas - sion, In Your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; (st. 1): tr. Kristen Kvamme, 1866–1938, alt.; (st. 2): tr. Christian Worship, 1993

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois

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The Post-Communion Thanksgiving:

P For as often as we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

C we show forth the Lord’s death until He comes.

P Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus, since You have left us a memorial of Your Passion in a wonderful Sacrament, grant, we pray, that we may so use this Sacrament of Your Body and Blood that the fruits of Your redeeming work may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Solemn Prayer and Blessing of the People:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

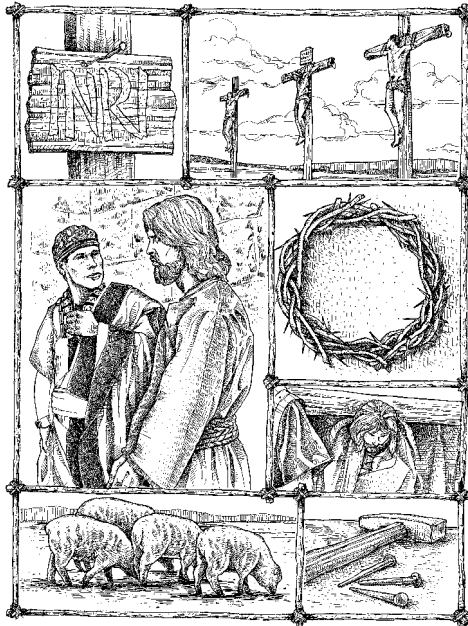
P Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

Almighty God, we pray You graciously to behold this Your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns forever and ever.

C **Amen.**

P The blessing, mercy, and grace of Almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C **Amen.**



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 441

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
 ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
 fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
 pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.

Tune: *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, 1690, Hamburg, alt.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”

✻ To God All Praise and Glory! ✻



Those Who Serve Us This Day In Worship

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| The Celebrant and Preacher: | The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel |
| The Lector: | Tracy Peele |
| The Communion Assistant: | George Kurtzweil |
| The Worship Assistant: | Paul Ritter |
| The Choir: | The Trinity Singers |
| The Parish Musician: | Skip Hall |



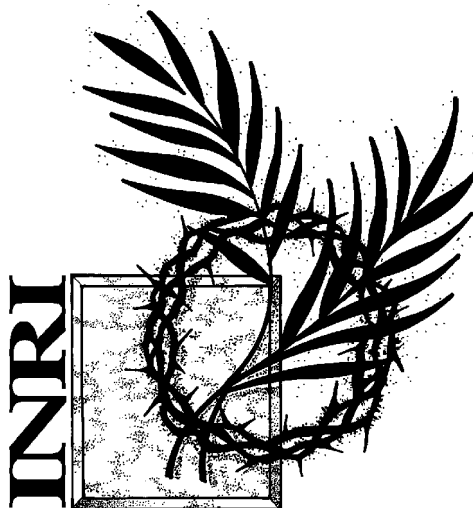
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The Celebration of Holy Week
A.D. 2023
at
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church



With the celebration of Palm Sunday, many Christians throughout the world have entered into Holy Week, the most important week in the calendar of the Christian Church Year. Our Holy Week observance will continue throughout this coming week with the following services:



7:00 PM

Maundy Thursday ✠ April 6, 2023

The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday
with Confession and Absolution;
Sermon: “A Meal of Grace”; the celebration of
Holy Communion; and the Stripping of the Altar.

*A special monetary offering will be collected at this service to help
the needy assisted through Help By Phone.*

Good Friday ✠ April 7, 2023

7:00 PM

The Office of Tenebrae

The “Service of Darkness” with the Adoration of the
Cross; the Reading of the Passion according to Saint
John; Sermon: “*Coup de Grace*”; and
Prayers for the Church and the World.



The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord
Easter Sunday ✠ April 9, 2023

8:00 AM

Easter Fellowship Breakfast

9:30 AM

The Festival Celebration of the Resurrection
with Hymns; Special Music; Sermon: “Amazing
Grace: Now and Forever”; the Renewal of Baptismal
Vows; and the celebration of Holy Communion.

*All are invited and welcome to join us as we celebrate this Most Holy Week
commemorating God’s great acts of love to redeem the world through Jesus Christ.*

NOTES AND NEWS

COVID UPDATE ... The wearing of masks while in the church building remains optional, and you are free to wear or not wear them as you choose, or as your personal needs determine. We ask, in love for one another, that everyone continue to observe our “Stay Safe Rules” as posted at the church entrances. Thank you all for your continued patience and loving concern for our Trinity Family during this time.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ... Copies of the *Lutheran Service Book* in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

PALM CROSSES ... Again this year, Palm Crosses have been blessed in today’s service and made for you to take home following worship. May this reminder of both our Lord’s triumphal entry and His saving Passion be a blessing to you in the coming days.

EASTER FLOWERS ... There is an opportunity to help beautify the Lord’s Altar for the celebration of Easter with Easter Lilies. **Orders are due TODAY.** Please place your order by filling out one of the order forms available on the literature table in the back of the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please contact Rona in the church office.

SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY DURING HOLY WEEK ... In this season of remembering God’s mercy shown to us in our Lord Jesus, we are moved to share that same love and mercy to others. Please remember the following “mercy opportunity” that we have in this season: **Maundy Thursday Help By Phone Offering:** Remembering our Lord Jesus’ command to “Love one another”, we continue our tradition of collecting a special offering for the work of Help By Phone, our local assistance agency. On Maundy Thursday, this special collection will be collected with other offerings at the door (Regular Maundy Thursday Offerings will go to the work of Trinity). You may also give to this offering either today, Palm Sunday, or on Easter (Please be sure to notate your gift as being for Help By Phone, or use the special Love Offering envelope available in your box set.)

EASTER BREAKFAST AND FELLOWSHIP ... As we gather together next Sunday to celebrate our Lord’s Resurrection, we will have the opportunity to fellowship around the table and share in an Easter Breakfast together, beginning at 8:00 AM. Please come out and join us. Any questions, please speak with Carole Dingess.

LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @**KFUOradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org: Blessed Holy Week! Hear Tre Ore service from Ascension Lutheran in St. Louis from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. ET on April 7 and Easter services Sunday morning April 9, hear Jesus’ journey to the cross in John 18-19 on Sharper Iron’s “The Word Made Flesh” (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET), and study Lenten Texts on Thy Strong Word’s “Free Text Friday” on April 7 at 12:00 p.m. ET. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... Christ's resurrection affects everyone—even those who don't believe it happened.. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, April 9, 2023, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "He Is Risen Indeed", locally on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station’s range you may listen online to WFAX worldwide at [WFAX.com](https://www.wfax.com). The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUE.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under “Media” and “The Lutheran Hour”.

CROP WALK ...It’s our opportunity and responsibility to care for our neighbors. The CROP Walk is a nationwide fundraising effort to eradicate hunger, locally and globally. Join the congregation and other walkers on **Sunday May 7th 1-4pm at Lake Artemesia**, or online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/trinity-lutheran-mt-rainier-md/>! See Sarah Lydia for details on joining the team, donating, or helping out in other ways.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for **2023** is now available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is **\$35.00** (this is an increase from previous years). If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK'S FEASTS, FESTIVALS, AND COMMEMORATIONS...

During Holy Week, any feasts, festivals, or commemorations are transferred to be celebrated during the week following the Second Sunday of Easter so that the days of Holy Week can be kept as a time of special reflection on our Lord's Passion.

Visit <http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken;
Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

Readings are provided for each day in Holy Week for your own devotions as well as those which will be used at the worship services held during this week.

Monday in Holy Week, April 3, 2023

Isaiah 50:5-10; Psalm 36:5-10; Hebrews 9:11-15; Matthew 26-27 or John 12:1-23

Tuesday in Holy Week, April 4, 2023

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 71:1-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Mark 14-15 or John 12:23-50

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 5, 2023

Isaiah 62:11-63:7; Psalm 70; Romans 5:6-11; Luke 22-23 or John 13:16-38

Holy (Maundy) Thursday, April 6, 2023

Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 116:12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32; Matthew 26:17-30

Good Friday, April 7, 2023

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22 or 31; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18-19

Holy Saturday/Easter Even, April 8, 2023

During the day: Daniel 6:1-24; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matthew 27:57-66

In the evening: (Selected Readings for the Great Vigil of Easter)

Genesis 1:1-2:3; Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13; Genesis 22:1-18;

Exodus 14:10-15:18; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Job 19:20-27; Daniel 3:1-30;

Romans 6:1-11; John 20:1-18

The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day, April 9, 2023

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 16; Colossians 3:1-4; Matthew 28:1-10



PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2 – 9

May Be Subject to Change

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| Today | <i>The Sunday of the Passion – Palm Sunday</i> |
| | 8:30 AM Bible Study |
| | 9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live) |
| | 10:45 AM Trinity Singers Rehearsal |
| | 12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person) |
| Monday | <i>Monday in Holy Week</i> |
| | 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open |
| Tuesday | <i>Tuesday in Holy Week</i> |
| | 9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open |
| | 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open |
| Wednesday | <i>Wednesday in Holy Week</i> |
| | 9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open |
| | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open |
| Thursday | <i>Holy (Maundy) Thursday</i> |
| | 9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open |
| | 7:00 PM Holy Thursday Divine Service (at church in person and via Facebook Live) |
| Friday | <i>Good Friday</i> |
| | 7:00 PM Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers (at church in person and via Facebook Live) |
| Saturday | <i>Holy Saturday/Easter Even: The Great Vigil of Easter</i> |
| Next Sunday | <i>The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord – Easter Day</i> |
| | 8:00 AM Easter Fellowship Breakfast |
| | 9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion (at church in person and via Facebook Live) |
| | 12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person) |



CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Worship Attendance: 19; Communed: 18.

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

Worship Attendance: 7.



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of April 2, 2023

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Julie & Kenny, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, George, August, David, Ernie, Paul, Art & Shirley, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen;
Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda;
Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;
Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;
Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim;
Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; Bernie, friend of Trinity;
Randy, friend of Pepper; Joan, friend of Tracy; Sally, SED Staff;
Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy; George, friend of Dave & Joyce;
Danny, friend of Dave & Joyce; Hudson, son of Brendan; Paul III, grandson of Paul;
Debbie, cousin of Kim; Allan, cousin of Kim

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak.

For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Leah Dowling, who celebrates her birthday this week.

Art & Shirley Simon, and Adam & Sabrina Hines, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland.
- ✠ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity Members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.

- ✘ For the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- ✘ Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✘ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- ✘ For an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ✘ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✘ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✘ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- ✘ For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.

