



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Palm Sunday & Confirmation – April 10, 2022



**“Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord!”**

Luke 19:38, NIV

Welcome to Our Savior's

We are delighted to have you worship with us. May God bless your time with us richly.

Our Communion Practice: Close Communion

Holy Scripture admonishes us to be fully 'prepared' to receive the Lord's Supper: to 'recognize the "Real Presence" of the body and blood of the Lord', 'examine ourselves', and join together as 'one body', united in public confession of faith. On that basis, we practice ***Close Communion***.

First time WELS or ELS visitors, please announce to the pastor. All other visitors, please refrain from participating until you have the opportunity to meet with our pastor and thoroughly study these scriptural truths.

Close Communion in no way means to judge anyone's personal faith in Jesus. We look forward to studying these scriptural beliefs so that together we can celebrate this expression of our true unity at the Lord's Table. Thank you for your cooperation and thank you for worshipping with us.

Prayer Before Communion

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Prayer After Communion

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Our Worship

412 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

CW 412

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1 You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 2 The company of angels is praising you on high,
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 3 The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 4 To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 5 As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, our good and gracious King.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.**

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1–4

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. ²He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. ³A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; ⁴he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

24B Welcome the King

Psalm 24B

Refrain

Wel - come the King of glo - ry, each tribe and na - tion!
He is the LORD Al - might - y, bring - ing sal - va - tion.

Verses

1 See, all the earth is God's, its peo - ple and na - tions;
2 Who can go up this moun - tain, who stand in prais - ing?
3 They shall re - ceive for - give - ness, and have God's bless - ing
4 Come, lift your voic - es high, be lift - ed to glo - ry;

Refrain (sung after each verse)

God built it on the deeps and laid its foun - da - tions.
Those who are pure, who come with clean hands up - rais - ing.
if they will search for God, their Sav - ior con - fess - ing.
the LORD our God ap - proach - es, come, shout the sto - ry.

- 5 Who is this glorious one, for whom we are waiting?
We wait the mighty LORD, our God celebrating. (Refrain)
- 6 Come, lift your heads with joy; come, lift up your tower;
the King of glory comes in full might and power. (Refrain)
- 7 Who is this King of glory of whom we're singing?
Our God, this LORD of hosts, the vict'ry is bringing. (Refrain)

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Second Reading

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! ⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 19:38



Refrain



Glo - ry, praise, and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Tone



“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”

Refrain



“Peace in heaven and glory in the high - est!”

²⁸After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰“Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’”

³²Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴They replied, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: ³⁸“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” ⁴⁰“I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

411 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

CW 411

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue your road, with palms and scattered
garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and
conquered sin.

- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
to see th' approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O Christ, your
pow'r and reign.

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Sermon

Confirmation

The pastor speaks to those being confirmed:

My dear young friend, when you were baptized, your gracious Lord forgave all your sins and covered you with the robe of Christ's righteousness. Through water and Word he created faith in your heart and adopted you into the family of believers. As you matured and heard and studied the Scriptures, the Holy Spirit enlightened your mind and preserved you as a child of God.

You have expressed the desire to confess the truths you believe before your Savior, your family and friends, and this congregation. You are ready to say with St. Paul, "I believed; therefore I have spoken." You have learned to examine your thoughts, words, and actions in the light of God's law, and you have experienced the comfort of forgiveness in the Savior's gospel. With this preparation you are eager to receive the Savior's body and blood in the sacrament.

As we worship with you on this day, we are filled with joy as we see how the Lord has grown your faith and love. We are bringing our prayers to the Savior's throne of grace and imploring him to keep you faithful to him and his Word until you join us and all believers in the glories of heaven.

I now ask you:

Are you ready and willing to confess your faith before the triune God and those who are worshiping with you today?

I am.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

I do reject him.

Do you believe that all the books of the Bible are the inspired and inerrant Word of God?

I do.

Do you believe that the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, as you have learned to know them from Luther's Small Catechism, are faithful and true to the Word of God?

I do.

Is it your sincere prayer and desire to remain faithful to your Lord Jesus and his Word all the days of your life?

Yes, and I ask God to help me.

Is it your sincere prayer and desire to live a life that pleases God, to value his Word and sacraments, and to witness to your Savior wherever you go?

Yes, and I ask God to help me.

The pastor speaks to the congregation:

Friends in Christ, the Word of God urges us to pray for one another and especially for the youth of the church. On this special day, it is fitting that we bring our prayers before God, firmly believing that he alone is able to strengthen us by the power of the Holy Spirit and keep us faithful to the Savior until we die. Let us pray.

Gracious Father, in Holy Baptism you created faith in the heart of this young man and gave him a new birth as a member of your family. Help him remember his baptism every day and find comfort in your promise that you will never leave him or forsake him. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Give him strength to put down and drown the sinful nature that lives within him so that each day his faith may triumph in his living and loving and in his words and actions. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lead him to see and believe that in the word of the gospel he finds forgiveness for his sins and relief for his guilt. Use the remembrance of your commandments to drive him to the comfort of the gospel and then to guide him as he lives for you and others. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Protect him from Satan when he tempts him to be careless with your Word and sacrament, to make plans for this life and not for the life to come, or to find popular theories more appealing than your truth. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Empower him by the gospel of your Son to live in this world with kindness, humility, and patience that others may see his good works and glorify hisr Father in heaven. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Help us provide fitting examples of faithfulness to your Word and sacraments. Lead us to encourage and admonish him in wisdom and love even after he has left his home and made a new home for himself. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

When the end comes and we all stand before the judgment seat of Christ, have compassion on us despite our sins and accept us as eternal dwellers in your royal rooms, through the merits of Jesus our Savior, who became sin for us so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The pastor speaks to those being confirmed:

I now invite you to come forward to receive a blessing from the Lord and a word of encouragement from the Scriptures.

Those being confirmed may approach the altar and may kneel.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give you his Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge, of grace and prayer, of power and strength, of sanctification and the fear of God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your heart and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

The Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, renew and increase in you the gift of the Holy Spirit for your strengthening in faith, your growth in grace, your patience in suffering, and for the blessed hope of eternal life.

The God of peace sanctify you through and through and keep you blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Offering

The Sacrament

Preface

CW 165

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts:

heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he, blessed is he,

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my T body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my T blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. Amen.

Distribution

512 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CW 512

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown him, ye martyrs of our God who from his altar call;
extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod and crown him Lord of all.
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
- 4 Ye Gentile sinners, ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall;
go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

413 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

CW 413

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
thro' pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav'n, our King.
Oh, may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice
and in his royal presence eternally rejoice.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ

Today <i>Palm Sunday & Confirmation</i>	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Class Palm Sunday Worship with Communion and Confirmation Voters' Meeting <i>Food Pantry</i>
Monday	7:00 PM	Coordinating Council
Tuesday	1:30 PM	OWLS Meeting at NLHS
Thursday	1:00 & 6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion
Friday	1:00 & 6:30 PM	Good Friday Worship
Sunday 4/17 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	8:00 AM 9:00 AM	Easter Sunday Worship <i>Easter Breakfast & Fellowship</i>

Thank you, Pastor Franzo Today is the last Sunday that Pastor Franzo will lead our worship. We offer our sincere thanks to him for serving as our vacancy pastor these past months. His final worship service at Redeemer will be on April 24, and he'll begin his service at Grace, LaCrosse in May.

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, we thank you for blessing our congregation through the faithful service of Pastor Franzo and nurturing the faith of your flock through his ministry. We ask that you richly bless him as he begins his ministry in LaCrosse. Encourage and sustain your servant with the promise that you will be with him wherever he goes.

Voters' Meeting Congregation members and especially voters are encouraged to attend a meeting today following our worship service. The council will recommend requesting a seminary graduate. The council will also recommend calling Pastor Jeff Mahnke to be our vacancy pastor.



Confirmation We rejoice with Sawyer Burish as he confirms his faith and is received into communicant membership today. The confirmation service and vow give each of us an opportunity to review our commitment to Christ and our blessings that flow from growing in grace and pursuing and practicing our faith.

Gift We thank the Ladies' Aid for their gift to the Vision fund given on the occasion of Carol Smith's hospitalization.

Sound System Upgrades Thank you to Dan Hoenecke and to Dan Stelzer, who worked on our sound system and bought some new equipment last week. We hope this improves our sound quality. Also, many thanks to our Ladies' Aid for providing \$500 to fund this project.

Literacy Night at Our Savior's School on Tuesday, April 19 from 4:00-6:00 PM. Parents and their children ages 3-7 are invited to enjoy various literacy activities together. Join us for the fun!

School Choice Informational Meeting Our school is considering joining the School Choice program. A Choice expert will be here on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 pm to present information and answer questions. All are welcome.

Easter Flowers If you would like to contribute towards Easter flowers, there is a sign-up in the narthex. Thank you!

Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors (OWLS)

Our April meeting is going to be exciting and interesting. We will be visiting the Northland Lutheran High School (NLHS) STEM/Robotics class. Our meeting will be on Tuesday April 12 at 1:30 PM at NLHS 2107 Tower Road, Kronenwetter. Come join us to learn about what the kids learn today compared to what we learned way back when. Questions call Ruth at 715-573-2142.

Forward in Christ & Portals of Prayer

The latest issues are available today.

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday (4/14)
Worship with Communion
at 1:00 & 6:30 PM

Good Friday (4/15)
Worship at 1:00 & 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday (4/17)
Easter Worship at 8:00 AM
Fellowship hour to follow

Correction: Good Friday Worship We will have two worship services on Good Friday - 1:00 & 6:30 pm. They will both be the same service and will have a Tenebrae type theme.

Easter Breakfast Following our Easter Sunday worship, the Ladies' Aid will serve a light breakfast while we enjoy some fellowship time together. We thank Thrivent for providing funds for the treats.

Holy Week Devotions Martin Luther College professors have written devotions for Holy Week, "God's Suffering Servant." These booklets are available today. Devotions begin next week on Palm Sunday.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: April 3, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Lent</u>	<u>Missions</u>
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Attendance: Sun., April 3 - 82 online - 15 Total = 97
Wed., April 6 - 63 online - 10 Total = 73

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Andrew Franzo
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Rick & Karen Leopold
(Next Sunday – Krohn/Schubring)

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Setting One from Christian Worship

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