



#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We welcome all, both members and guests alike, to God's house for worship this sixth and final Sunday in Lent. This day is also known as the "Sunday of the Passion". The word passion means suffering. In today's service, we place before God's people the entire account of Jesus's suffering from that first Holy Week. This service won't have a sermon as we simply let the passion story serve as the life giving, faith building message for us as the dearly loved and forgiven followers of Christ. May the Lord bless your worship!

#### PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Dear Jesus, you are the Lord of lords and the King of kings! We praise you for triumphantly entering Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday to pay for the sins of the world on Good Friday with your holy blood, and to conquer death by your resurrection on Easter Sunday. Hear and accept our praises of appreciation today, and help us ponder anew the depth of your love for sinners. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Amen.

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP

- Minister ~ Pastor Jeff Mahnke
- Organist ~ Marie Kurth
- Ushers ~ Tony Sulko, Bill Unruh

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# **Sunday of the Passion**

March 24, 2024

#### Welcome

Remain seated

Dear friends in Christ, during the weeks of Lent we have been preparing to commemorate our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn journey of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Savior and to gain for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We follow him in faith and praise him with joy.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest!** 

Stand

### **Gospel Reading**

Mark 11:1-10

The King is coming!

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ²saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

<sup>4</sup>They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, <sup>5</sup>some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" <sup>6</sup>They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. <sup>7</sup>When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it.

<sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. 9Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

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

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

#### **Opening Hymn**

CW 412

All Glory, Laud, and Honor



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, Re-deem-er, King,



whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring.



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- com pa ny on The peo - ple the He - brews with palms be - fore you went;
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the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed now in and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - plv. our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.

you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.

bless - ing, our good and gra-cious King. Source of ev - 'ry

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#### **Prayer of the Day**

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted "Hosanna" and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Be seated

# The Passion History According to St. Mark

Part 1 Mark 14:1–11

¹Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. ²"But not during the festival," they said, "or the people may riot."

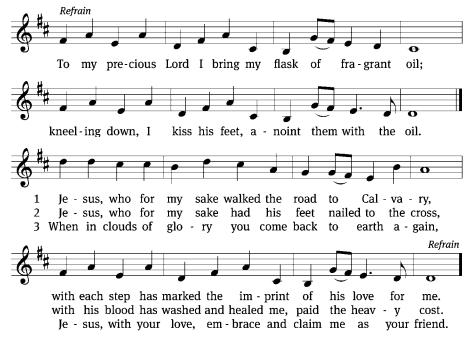
<sup>3</sup>While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. <sup>4</sup>Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume? <sup>5</sup>It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her harshly.

<sup>6</sup>"Leave her alone," said Jesus. "Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. <sup>7</sup>The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. <sup>8</sup>She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. <sup>9</sup>Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

<sup>10</sup>Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. <sup>11</sup>They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

Hymn CW 542

To My Precious Lord



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Part 2 Mark 14:12-31

<sup>12</sup>On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

<sup>13</sup>So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. <sup>14</sup>Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup>He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

<sup>16</sup>The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

<sup>17</sup>When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. <sup>18</sup>While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

<sup>19</sup>They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?"

<sup>20</sup>"It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. <sup>21</sup>The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

<sup>22</sup>While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

<sup>23</sup>Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

<sup>24</sup>"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. <sup>25</sup>"Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup>When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

<sup>27</sup>"You will all fall away," Jesus told them, "for it is written:

"'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered."

<sup>28</sup>But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

<sup>29</sup>Peter declared, "Even if all fall away, I will not."

<sup>30</sup>"Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times."

<sup>31</sup>But Peter insisted emphatically, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the others said the same.

#### Hymn

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Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray



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#### Part 3

#### Mark 14:32-42

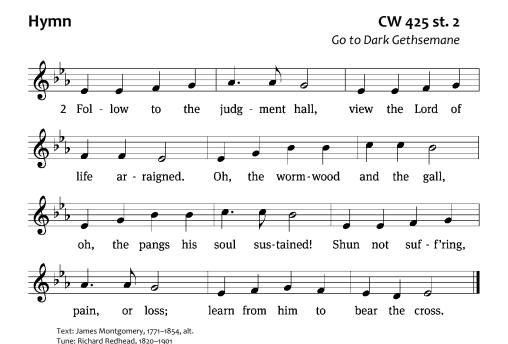
<sup>32</sup>They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." <sup>33</sup>He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. <sup>34</sup>"My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

<sup>35</sup>Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup>"Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

<sup>37</sup>Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour? <sup>38</sup>Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

<sup>39</sup>Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. <sup>40</sup>When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

<sup>41</sup>Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. <sup>42</sup>Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"



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<sup>43</sup>Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

<sup>44</sup>Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." <sup>45</sup>Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. <sup>46</sup>The men seized Jesus and arrested him. <sup>47</sup>Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

<sup>48</sup>"Am I leading a rebellion," said Jesus, "that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? <sup>49</sup>Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled." <sup>50</sup>Then everyone deserted him and fled.

<sup>51</sup>A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, <sup>52</sup>he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.

<sup>53</sup>They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders and the teachers of the law came together. <sup>54</sup>Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.

<sup>55</sup>The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any. <sup>56</sup>Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree.

<sup>57</sup>Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: <sup>58</sup>"We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.'" <sup>59</sup>Yet even then their testimony did not agree.

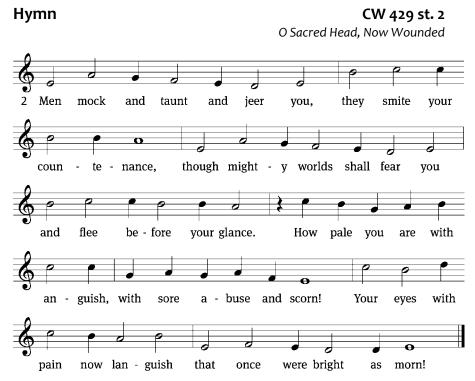
<sup>60</sup>Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?" <sup>61</sup>But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer.

Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"

<sup>62</sup>"I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."

<sup>63</sup>The high priest tore his clothes. "Why do we need any more witnesses?" he asked. <sup>64</sup>"You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?"

They all condemned him as worthy of death. <sup>65</sup>Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophesy!" And the guards took him and beat him.



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Part 5 Mark 14:66-72

<sup>66</sup>While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. <sup>67</sup>When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him.

"You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus," she said.

<sup>68</sup>But he denied it. "I don't know or understand what you're talking about," he said, and went out into the entryway.

<sup>69</sup>When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around, "This fellow is one of them." <sup>70</sup>Again he denied it.

After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, "Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean."

<sup>71</sup>He began to call down curses, and he swore to them, "I don't know this man you're talking about."

<sup>72</sup>Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times." And he broke down and wept.





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¹Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate. ²"Are you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate. "You have said so," Jesus replied. ³The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴So again Pilate asked him, "Aren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of." ⁵But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

# <sup>6</sup>Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested.

<sup>7</sup>A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising. <sup>8</sup>The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

9"Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate, <sup>10</sup>knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him.

<sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

<sup>12</sup>"What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?" Pilate asked them. <sup>13</sup>"Crucify him!" they shouted.

<sup>14</sup>"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.

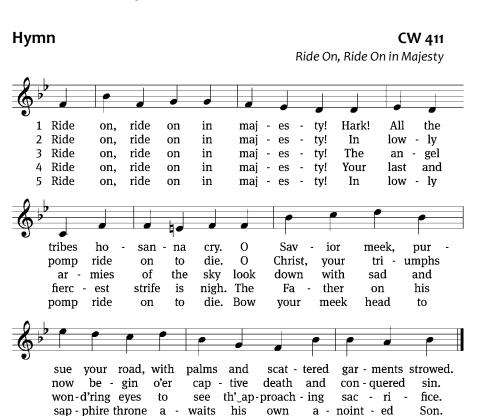
#### But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"

<sup>15</sup>Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

#### Explanation of the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally.

This is most certainly true.



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#### **Thank Offering & Friendship Register**

Members of Our Savior's give generous and free will gifts to honor the Lord and support our ministry of the gospel. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obliqued to do so.

As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew.

# **Prayer of the Church**

Lord God, your Son humbled himself to the point of death, even death on a cross. Fix our faith upon his death for our salvation, enrich the proclamation of the Gospel, and enliven our hearts to live out this faith until Christ comes again in glory. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

God Almighty, our Lord Jesus did not count his equality with you something to be grasped, but humbled himself. Grant us a mind like his to spurn all worldly equality and, humbling ourselves, to find your greater portion in the life of the world to come. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Eternal Lord, as your Son once entered humbly into Jerusalem to cries of "hosanna," so send him to us according to his promise in the Holy Sacrament, that we may eat his body and drink his blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise you, Father, that you have sent your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of your great salvation, show us the answer to your people's prayers of "hosanna" in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Special request and petitions may follow

#### Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

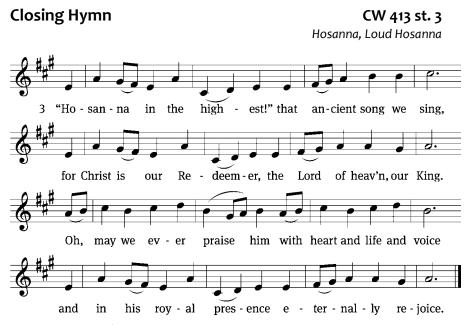
### **Blessing**

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 T give you peace.

Amen.



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# Thank you for worshiping with us. May your week be richly blessed!

**Serving the Pastoral Vacancy** – Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St. Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is <a href="mailto:pastorm@mysaintpeter.org">pastorm@mysaintpeter.org</a>.

<u>Divine Call News</u> – Our next Call meeting for both a pastor and a teacher will be on Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 pm. All members are welcome, but we especially encourage voters to attend this meeting.

#### **Holy Week Schedule**

Maundy Thursday (3/28) worship with Holy Communion at 1:00 pm Good Friday (3/29) worship at 1:00 pm

Easter (3/31) Festival worship with Holy Communion at 9:00 am *Please join us for fellowship and food following our Easter worship!* 

If you are unable to worship with us at our afternoon services, please consider attending one of our sister congregations.

St. Peter, Schofield campus:

Maundy Thursday - Services with Holy Communion at 5 & 7 pm Good Friday - Tenebrae Service of Darkness at 7:30 pm

Mountain of the Lord: Maundy Thursday - 6:00 pm

**Remember in Prayer** – Bob Ruether and Darold Kretschmer were both hospitalized at Aspirus. Please keep them in your prayers as they recover.

**LWMS Spring Rally** – The Spring Rally will be held on Saturday, April 20 at St. Peter, Schofield. Our theme will be "Gather Sheep from Every Fold," based on John 10:16. Registration will begin at 8:30 am and the rally will be from 9:00 – noon. More information is coming soon. Meantime, save the date!

This Week at Our Savior's		
Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Palm Sunday Worship Sunday School & Bible Class
Monday		No School – Spring Break thru April 1
Thursday	1:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion
Friday	1:00 PM	Good Friday Worship
Next Sunday 3/31	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Easter Festival Worship Easter Fellowship & Food

# **Growing Together**

March 17, 2024

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In-Person Attendance: Sunday, March 17 – 61

Midweek Lent - 81

Our Savior's Day at Dime & Dollar – Our Savior's provides workers on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at Dime & Dollar Thrift Store, which directly supports Northland Lutheran High School. If you can give three hours, either morning or afternoon, please let Judy Wastrack know.

**Schedule Change:** The April date for Our Savior's to staff D&D has been changed. This change allows members to attend both the LWMS Spring Rally at St. Peter (April 20) and Our Savior's Everyone Outreach program (April 27-28). Instead of the usual 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, we will staff D&D on **Saturday**, **May** 4<sup>th</sup> and our normal 4<sup>th</sup> **Saturday on May** 25<sup>th</sup>. If interested in helping, sign up in the narthex or contact Judy Wastrack.



# Register today for the Everyone Outreach workshop!

Our Savior's is participating in an exciting new program called Everyone Outreach. The program will help us build a culture of outreach so that every ministry and every member is encouraged and equipped to reach the lost in our community. Everyone Outreach kicks off with an interactive 2-day workshop on Saturday, April 27, 9:00-1:30 (lunch provided) and Sunday, April 28, 10:15-11:15 am at Our Savior's. Each participant will leave the workshop with sustainable ways to personally help build our congregation's outreach culture. Register for the workshop by signing up in the narthex or calling the church office (845-3253). Questions? Visit everyoneoutreach.com or contact Tim Heil at 842-4573. We encourage every member of our congregation to attend the workshop and participate. In fact, the more members that attend, the more likely it is that our culture shift will be successful!

#### Sign up in the narthex!

<u>Child Care Needed</u> – A few teens are needed for childcare during our Everyone Outreach workshop on April 27-28. Please speak with Tim Heil or the church office if you can help. Thanks!



Growing in Jesus, Sharing His Love

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