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Note use of 11x17 large format worship folder for a festival Sunday. This is a valuable visual way to enhance festivals. If you have equipment that will reproduce this size, the cost increase is surprisingly modest.

Note placement of Confession and Absolution at beginning of communion service.

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Palm Sunday

2008

PALM SUNDAY

“The King Comes!”

NOTES ON PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week – the most intense week of our Christian Year. Palm Sunday has been celebrated in the Christian Church since the 4th Century. 1,600 years ago believers in and around Jerusalem would retrace Jesus’ route from the Mount of Olives back into the city for worship.

Hosanna! is the shout of praise so familiar to Palm Sunday worshippers. It literally means “Save us we pray!” Jesus was riding into Jerusalem to do just that.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Good morning and welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are happy to have you worshiping with us this Palm Sunday. Our prayer is that God’s Word, which you hear in our services this weekend, might go with you as you begin to celebrate this holiest week of the year. Please come again to worship with us often!

OUR FACILITIES

Our restrooms are located just to the left of the tower entrance. A family restroom is also available there. The members of Faith believe that families should be allowed to worship together. If your young one needs some “time out,” we have an audio-equipped children’s room just outside of the church doors to your right.

If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

Faith Lutheran Church still observes the biblical practice of *member communion*. (This has also been called *close communion*.) If you are currently not a member of our congregation, we would kindly ask that you speak with one of our pastors before communing. We look forward to talking about this very important issue with you!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

PRE-SERVICE

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Arranged by Sharon Elery Rogers

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Arranged by Michael R. Keller

PROCESSION

Stand and face the back doors as soon as the bells begin to ring.

M: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord’s paschal mystery. Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city, to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry that culminated at the empty tomb and follow him with a lively faith. United with him by Baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life.

M: Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as 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.

C: **Amen.**

M: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

M: Let us go forth in peace,

C: **in the name of the Lord.**

C: *Sing the refrains while the procession enters church. Sing each refrain a littler louder than the previous one. Turn towards the cross as it passes by.*

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.

Choir: You are the King of Israel, And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's Name coming, Our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*

Choir: The company of angels Is praising you on high;
And we with all creation In chorus make reply. *Refrain*

Choir: The people of the Hebrews With palms before you went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems Before you we present. *Refrain*

Choir: To you before your passion They sang their hymns of praise:
To you, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. *Refrain*

All: As you received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King. *Refrain*

M: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: *(spoken)* **And also with you.**

M: 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 palm 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.

C: *(spoken)* **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

ZECHARIAH 9:9-10 (NIV)

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

RESPONSE

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

Sung by the Kindergarten at the 8:00 a.m. service

Psalm 24

Sung by pastor and congregation at the 10:45 a.m. service

Let the Lord en - ter; God is
king of glo - ry.

The LORD's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is God who set it on the seas;
who made it firm on the waters. R.

Who shall climb the mountain of the
LORD?
Who shall stand in God's holy place?

Those with clean hands and pure heart,
who desire not worthless things. R.

They shall receive blessings from the
LORD
and reward from the God who saves them.
These are the ones who seek,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. R.

SECOND LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11 (NIV)

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every

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

ANTHEM

“Hosanna!”

Sung by the Junior Choir

STAND

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples,² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me."³ If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:⁵ "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them.⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!"¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED

ANTHEM

“Prepare the Royal Highway”

Kenneth Kosche

Sung by the Senior Choir

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Hymnal #130

Prelude by Michael Burkhardt

SERMON

Based on Matthew 21:6-11

Pastor Ed Ungemach

Who is this "King"?

A Savior!

A Son of David!

The Blessed One who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE GATHERING OF THE OFFERING

If you are not a member of Faith, we do not want you to feel obligated to give an offering. We gather our offerings in church because the Bible teaches that giving is an act of worship. The vast majority of our church and school ministry is carried out by what is given on Sunday morning. May the Lord bless you! And may he use our gifts to be a blessing to many others!

**O Christ, our true and only Light, Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear your voice, And in your fold with us rejoice.**

**Lord, give us always generous hearts, To use what you have given,
To spread your gospel near and far, And bring souls into heaven. Amen**

PETITIONS OF THE WEEK AND 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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Choir:

Kyrie

Franz Schubert

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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 Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *(spoken)* **Amen.**

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: *(spoken)* **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

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

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: 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:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -
ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

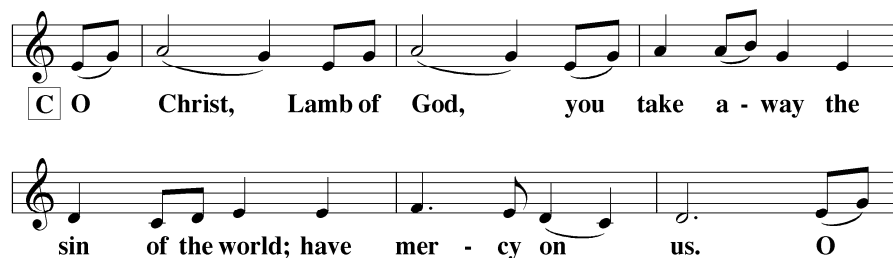
M: *speaks the Words of Institution.*

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

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O

Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O
 Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us your peace. A -
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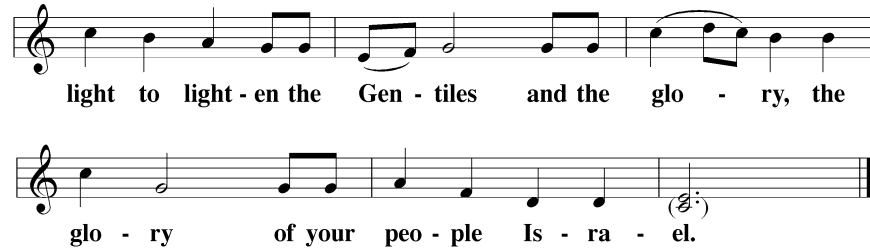
HYMNS

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”
 CW #133

“O Bride of Christ, Rejoice”
 CW # 134

SONG OF SIMEON

C In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de -
 part ac - cord-ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your sal-
 va - tion, which you have pre-pared for ev-'ry peo-ple, a



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: *(spoken)* **And his mercy endures forever.**

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

M: 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.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

Franz Schubert

Sung by the Sr. Choir

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