



Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025
9:30 AM Worship Service



- Pastor Doug Widger

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Song: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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vs. 1-3

Hosanna, loud hosanna,
The little children sang;
Through 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.

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.

"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 blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: We confess before You, Lord, that we have sinned against You.

People: We have sinned not only against You but one another, with what we have thought, what we have said, and by what we have or have not done.

Pastor: We unseat You and put ourselves on the throne that belongs only to You.

People: Our pride in these and all sins deserves Your punishment, yet today we approach Your throne of grace, asking for Your mercy.

Pastor: So I ask you now: are you sincere in this, your confession before God, and promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? If so, answer, "Yes, with the help of God."

People: Yes, with the help of God.

Pastor: Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday to show His love for you at the cross. At the cross, He showed His passion for you by dying for your sins and paying the price we could not pay. I therefore remind you that you are forgiven of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen! Thank You, Lord, for Your passion for us.

Share Grace

Infant Baptism of James Paul Runzheimer

Parents: Daniel & Shannon Runzheimer

*Sponsors: Ryan & Sarah Weber
Caleb & Kristin Stone*



Old Testament Reading:

Psalm 118:19–29

P: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

C: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank You that You have answered me and have become my salvation.

P: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

C: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

P: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

C: Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless You from the house of the Lord.

C: The Lord is God, and He has made His light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

P: You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;

C: You are my God; I will extol You.

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

C: for His steadfast love endures forever!

Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:5–11 (Paul reveals what the mind of Christ is.)

- 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,
- 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,
- 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.
- 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
- 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,
- 10 so 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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message - Dr. Serena Pace

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 21:1-11 (The Triumphal Entry)

- 1 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples,
- 2 saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me.
- 3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once."
- 4 This took place ~~to~~ to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,
- 5 "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.' "
- 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them.
- 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them.
- 8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.
- 9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"
- 10 And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?"
- 11 And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Message Song: Goodness Love And Mercy

Verse: Oh Lord You're my Shepherd
You make me lie in fields of green
You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
Though I walk through the valley
I will fear no evil thing

For You are with me and You comfort me

Chorus: Surely goodness love and mercy
Will follow wherever I go

Bridge: I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever

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Message: "The Triumphal Entry" - Pastor Doug Widger

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
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.

Connection Points

Offering

Special Music: "Worthy Is the Lamb"

Sung and played by Ellen Pelzer
Words & Music by Stephen Leddy
Arranged by Jack Schrader

Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

Ways to Follow Jesus

Benediction

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne
Awaits His own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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- Sign-up sheet in the Narthex (starting March 23rd)
- Call **Brian Rukavina** (817-229-9703)
- Call **Ernie Owens** (817-247-0747)

~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class - *Fireside Room*
- ♦ Pastor Doug Widger's Class: Book of John - *MR 2*
- ♦ Biblical Parenting Group - *Gym (or TBA)*
- ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 9-12) - *Youth Shed*
- ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 7-8) - *Meeting Room 4*
- ♦ Grace Kids (Preschool 4's/Kinder, Grades 1-6)
- *Preschool Wing Classrooms*
- ♦ Babies - 3 year olds - *Nursery*

ELDERS AND THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

- 8:40 - 9:20 AM Handbells Rehearsal - *Sanctuary*
- 9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages
- 10:45 AM Egg Stuffing - *Gym*
- 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - *Fireside Room*

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

- 6:00 PM Grace FC Soccer Ministry - *Joeckel Field*
- 7:30 PM Community Basketball - *Gym*

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

- 6:30 PM ESL Classes
- 6:30 PM Youth Leadership Class (ages 9-14) - *MR 4*
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - *Music Room*

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2024

- 6:00 - 8:00 PM Visitation w/the family of JoAnn Jeske
- *Moore Funeral Home (4216 S. Bowen Rd.)*
- 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service - *Sanctuary*

Good Friday, April 18, 2024 - Church office closed

- 10:00 AM Funeral for JoAnn Jeske - *Sanctuary*
- 6:30 PM Good Friday Service - *Sanctuary*

Saturday, April 19, 2025

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild
- 9:00 AM Egg Setup

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

- 8:00 AM Egg Casserole Easter Breakfast - *Gym*
- 9:30 AM Easter Worship Service - *Sanctuary*
- 11:15 AM Egg Hunt - *Joeckel Field*



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