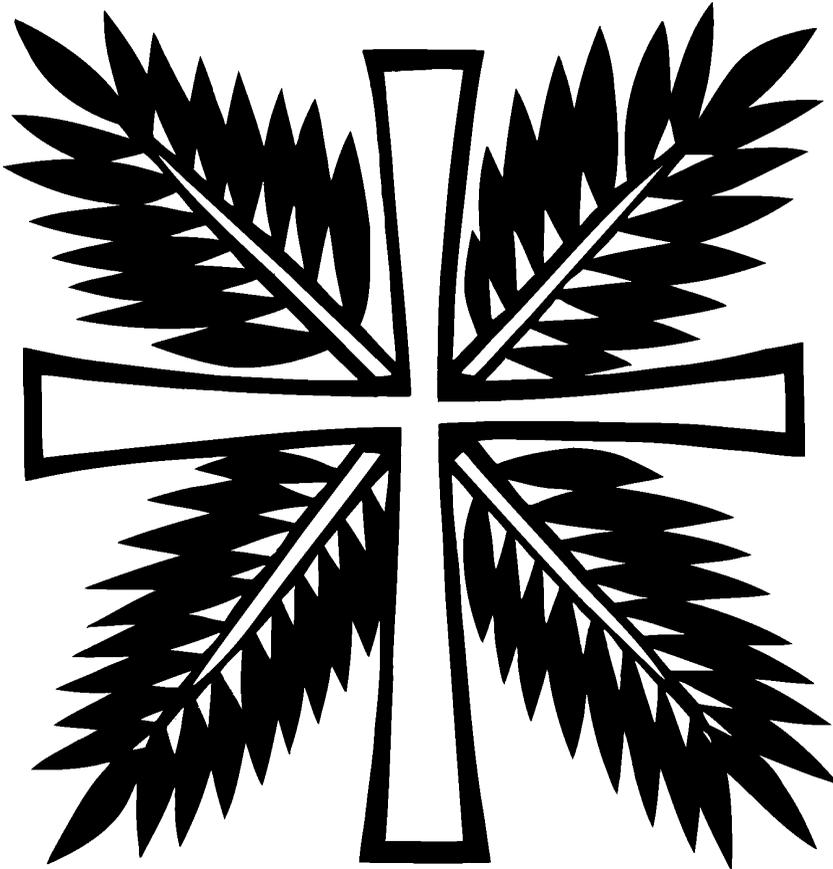


PALM SUNDAY
April 13-14, 2019
SATURDAY AT 4:30 PM & SUNDAY AT 9 AM

***THIS IS CHRIST'S CHURCH; THERE IS A PLACE
FOR YOU HERE.***



***OUR MISSION IS:
TO LOVE, SERVE, AND STRENGTHEN ALL PEOPLE IN CHRIST JESUS.***

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Reverend Pat Schutz, Pastor
Jamie Diestelhorst, Youth & Family Director
Bea Lebal, Organist

THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW...

WELCOME to Our Saviour's. We are glad you have come to join us to give praise and thanks to God, to hear God's word to guide us in love and to receive the Lord's Supper to strengthen us in faith. May you be blessed to be a blessing.

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH in Merrill, Wisconsin is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a fellowship of churches from around North America who hold to basic Christian beliefs and practices. If you would like to learn more about Our Saviour's or the ELCA, please call our church office or visit the ELCA website at www.elca.org, our synod website at www.ecsw.org, or our website at www.oslcelca.org.

If you are **visiting** us, please sign one of the **Visitor Cards** in the pews and our **guest book**. We invite you to make yourself known to the ushers. If you are looking for a church family, we invite you to consider Our Saviour's as your church home.

"WILLIAMS PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM" is available from the ushers for those who have hearing impairments.

RESTROOMS are located in the hallway between the staircase and the narthex. There are changing tables in these bathrooms.

WORSHIP HELPS include hearing assist devices and large print bulletins. Please see an usher to use them. Also, if you are not able to come forward for communion, the communion servers would be glad to come to you in your pew. Please let an usher know you would prefer this.

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ELCA Vision Statement

Claimed by God's grace for the sake of the world, we are a new creation through God's living Word by the power of the Holy Spirit;

Gathered by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will live among God's faithful people, hear God's Word, and share Christ's supper;

Sent by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus, and strive for justice and peace in all the world

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Holy Communion

P=Presider

A=Assistant

C=Congregation

↓=Sunday only

Welcome to worship. We are glad you are here! If you are interested in joining Our Saviour's, please speak to Pr. Pat following service or throughout the week (715-536-5813 or 920-535-0014) for information.

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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

BLESSING OF PALMS

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray

A brief silence is kept.

P We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Bless these branches and those who carry them. As the gates of the city swung open to welcome the humble king, O God, so may our hearts be opened to Christ's Spirit among us. As Christ wept for the people, so may we weep for those who suffer at the hands of those who have forgotten how to love. Let our worship today express the joy and sorrow, the laughter and weeping of that first Palm Sunday.

Through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us go forth in peace in the name of the Lord.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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GREETING

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

C And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. God of our salvation,

C mercifully assist us that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SPECIAL MUSIC: Sunday—Choir Anthem, “Come and See”

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

A A reading from Isaiah, the 50th chapter.

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like 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 are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

A A reading from Philippians, the 2nd chapter.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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*GOSPEL: Luke 19:29-40

P The holy gospel according to Luke, the 19th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

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

Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.”

⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSIONAfter each petition*

A Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.P Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you,
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.**C Amen.*****PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

P We share God's peace with one another.

OFFERING HYMN (vs 1-3)*My Song is Love Unknown***LBW 94*****OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

**C Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving
and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we
may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*****GREAT THANKSGIVING****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 our thanks and praise.***PREFACE**

P It is indeed right . . . join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

A Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert. All are welcome

COMMUNION

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***BLESSING**

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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***BENEDICTION**

P May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace.

C Amen.

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DISMISSAL

A We enter Holy Week marked with the cross of Christ.

C May we walk the path of his self-giving love.

A Do not be afraid. Christ goes with you.

C Thanks be to God.

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