

PALM / PASSION SUNDAY FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH 106 8TH STREET, MADISON, MINNESOTA Church (320) 598-3630 Parsonage (320) 598-3559 www.faithlutheranmadison.org



"Moving forward in faith by providing spiritual and physical nourishment to all God's people."

April 5, 2020

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

To Members of the congregation: A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children. The presence of children is a gift to the church. They give us a future filled with hope!

PRELUDE

BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN #344 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

READING OF THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL Matthew 21:1-11

(I invite you to watch for your cue to wave the palms at verse 9 through the end of the reading...)

1When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. 3lf anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." 4This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

^{*}Indicates to please stand as you are able

5"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." 6The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; 7they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. 8A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, (Wave Palms) "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" 11The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

PROCESSION OF THE PALMS
*PRAYER OF THE DAY
READING OF THE PASSION STORY
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

L. The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 27th chapter. **C. Glory to you, O Lord.**

RESPONSIVE SONG #348 "Stay With Me" x2

*GOSPEL Matthew 27:11-54

11Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." 12But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. 13Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" 14But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

15Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. 16At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. 17So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" 18For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.

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19While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." 20Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. 21The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." 22Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" 23Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

#348 "Stay With Me" x1

24So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." 25Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" 26So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

#348 "Stay With Me" x1

27Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. 28They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, 29and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

#348 "Stay With Me" x1

32As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. 33And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), 34they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

35And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; 36then they sat down there and kept watch over him. 37Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

38Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. 39Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads 40and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." 41In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, 42"He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. 43He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, "I am God's Son." 44The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

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45From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. 46And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, Iema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" 47When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." 48At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. 49But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." 50Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. 51At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. 52The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. 53After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. 54Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

#348 "Stay With Me" x2

L. The gospel of the Lord. C. Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF DAY #347 "Go To Dark Gethsemane" vs. 1, 2, 3

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*APOSTLES' CREED

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L. Hear us, O God. C. Your mercy is great.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

In this time of sharing the peace, take a moment right now to send a quick text to someone to let them know that you're thinking of them...

OFFERING

*OFFERING PRAYER

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN #353 "Were You There?"

*BELL



Today's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Vicar Ann Bjorklund

Organist: Linda Anderson

Office Manager: Jessica Borstad

Education Coordinator: Ronda Helgemo

Reader:

Videographer: Maynard Meyer

Screen: Theresa Jones, Lorrie Ehrenberg

Singers: Devyn Fernholz, Julie Hill, Angie Young



Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10

Please also hold these concerns in your prayers, today and throughout the week. Contact the church office at 598-3630 to add or remove a person.

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS: Ken Beyer, Eunice Hegg, Jackie Lang, Lil Lyng, Alice Morken, Gayle Weber, Ann West, Nylene Shelstad, Betty Peterson, Ron Redepenning, Dale Olson, Anna Engebretson and Don Husby.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Dallas Schellberg, Jerry Osteraas, Dave Ludvigson, Alice Johnson, Skip Blahosky, Deb Bauler, Leroy Lund, Jerry Kvaal, Harper Lucas, Bonnie Vaala, Ron Christensen, Sam Roering, Dale Kolas, Dale Olson, Sue Skoien, Jackie Lang, Marlene Johnson, Carol Olson, and Joel Churness.

If you are in need of Pastoral Care, Please call Vicar Ann at 763-447-7664

HAPPENING AT FAITH THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 5

9:00 am Palm Sunday Worship Service online

Thursday, April 9

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday / Good Friday Worship Service online

Saturday, April 11

6 am - 6 pm Prayer Vigil

Sunday, April 12

9:00 am Easter Worship Service online

March 29 Church Attendance: Online

Offering: \$5305.00

Sunday School Offering:

\$0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please use the new church office e-mail when contacting us: faithluthsecretary@gmail.com
- If you are in need of assistance for things such as grocery shopping, prescription pick-up, etc., please call the church office and we will set something up for you. We are here to help you.
- Our thanks to Lorrie Ehrenberg who has been our longtime treasurer. She has
 resigned as of May. So, we are in need of a new treasurer. Please contact the
 Executive council or the office if you are interested.

SCAM ALERT

Attention People of Faith:

Some individuals have received emails that appear to be from me. The individual requests that you purchase iTunes gift cards and that I will reimburse you. Please know, I would NEVER, EVER ask you to make a purchase like that. Donations and offerings are always made through the church and church-approved methods.

Another clue to the scam: my current title is "Vicar" not "Pastor" as some people's emails indicate.

Ordering Easter Flowers: (DEADLINE Mon. April 6th)

You simply place your order online on the church web page:

www.faithlutheranmadison.org

or call the church, and we will deliver them to the church for you.

Payments should be mailed to the church.

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- You will be able to take your flowers home after the 10:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service.
- Thank you! We appreciate your continued gracious giving. Tithes and offering can be mailed, made online at www.faithlutheranmadison.org. or

PayPal (to faithluthsecretary@gmail.com)

- Don't forget that you can listen to the Sunday service on KLQP @ 11:30AM or watch it on Channel 8 (Mediacom channel 70) @ 3:30PM. You may also view ALL past and present services on our website: www.faithlutheranmadison.org and our Facebook page.
- The boards of Stewardship and Lay Ministry are in need of several more members each. Please contact Vicar Ann if interested.
- We are in search of an individual or two who may be able to help with running the screens. Please contact the church office.
- Operation Starfish is going on right now. The goal is to raise \$3,800 during Lent to build a new home in Haiti. Donations will be matched by "Food for the Poor". Check out the Global Missions bulletin board in the hall. Make your check out to Faith Lutheran with "Operation Starfish" in the memo line. Our total so far is \$571.63.