



Welcome to

Grace Lutheran Church and School

Bring in, build up, and send
out disciples for Jesus Christ.



Visitors

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

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inside cover of this worship folder.

Fill out the form on the back cover
to tell us more about you.

Worship at Grace

The service is printed in this worship folder.

Hymns are ordinarily in the
green *Lutheran Book of Worship* (LBW)
and blue *With One Voice* (WOV) hymnals.

Information is printed on the next page
about additional resources for worship.

Learn More

Today's insert contains announcements
about ministries of Grace Church and School.

Learn more about Grace by visiting us
online at www.graceriverforest.org.

The Holy Communion

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Grace

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence, just as you are. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ—to love, to grow, and to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the perforated page on the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Children's Resources

Activity bags, worship bulletins, and booster seats are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery Care

The nursery is open and staffed at most worship services for children ages 4 and under. The nursery is located across from Fellowship Hall. From the atrium, go through the Lamb Door by the elevator, up half a flight of stairs and turn right. From the sanctuary, go through the door by the stone baptismal font, up the stairs and turn left. A silent paging system allows the nursery staff to contact parents when needed.

Holy Communion

The crucified and risen Christ is present in the bread and wine of Communion, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the pastors.

Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated. Contact an usher if you would like Holy Communion to be brought to you. Sound enhancement units are available in the back of the church. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers in the back of the church and at the Division Street door.

Electronic Devices

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices during worship. Thank you.

Grace Council Statement on Racism

Racism, manifested in individual acts and present throughout systems, continues to prevent us from being the beloved community that God intends. Our faith in the crucified and risen Christ compels us to speak. We speak against the sin of racism. We speak in solidarity with Black people and all people of color, each of whom is precious to God. We stand with and for Black people within our church and school and in the larger community.

We commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ into the world in the hope that, by the Spirit's power, God's Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. We look with hope and anticipation to a season of growth and change as Grace becomes a more faithful witness to God's wide welcome in Christ. We see this as the beginning, not the end, of the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

As We Gather

This might be the most jarring Sunday of the church year. In the span of our liturgy we travel from the shouts of "hosanna" to the cries of "crucify him." The triumphal entry leads inevitably to betrayal, cross, suffering, and death. Things that are all too common for us. The emotion is palpable as we journey with Jesus all the way to the end. Jesus is the one who empties himself. Does not hold onto power or his own life but gives it away. All the while entrusting his living and dying to the God who never abandons us. As we contemplate his passion we find the fullest revelation of this God. Arms stretched out wide enough to embrace this whole weary world. We too can echo the words of our savior and commend our whole lives to God. For from this and every end, God is still opening up a future for this whole creation. You and I included. The journey goes on up ahead.



✠ GATHERING ✠

We gather in the atrium.

VOLUNTARY: Processional

Margaret Tucker

PROCESSION WITH PALMS

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

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

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, 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.

C **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28–40

²⁸After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

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.”

THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We raise our palms during the Thanksgiving.

P We praise and thank you, O God,
for the great acts of love by which
you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph,
and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings
by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.
We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them,
and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King
and follow him with perfect confidence;
through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.


C **Amen.**

We follow the cross in procession to the nave.

ENTRANCE HYMN: All Glory, Laud and Honor

(green) **LBW #108**

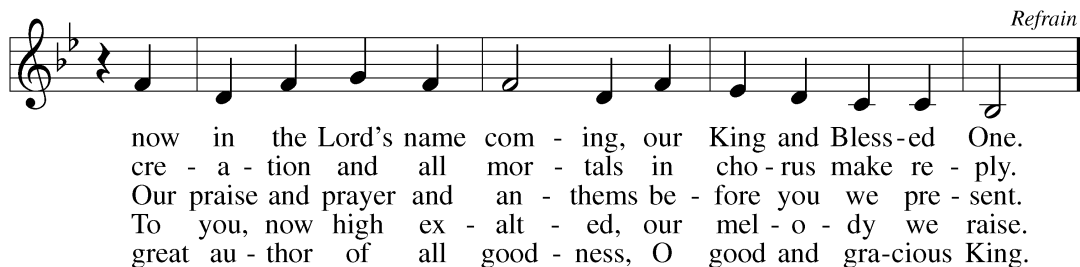
Refrain



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.

- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760-821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635

GREETING

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

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race
you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross.
In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

arr. Vicki Hancock Wright

Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna to the King of kings!

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 among the joyful crowd;
The vict'ry palm branch waiving, with praises 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!

Jennette Threlfall, 1821–1880

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4–9a

The 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. ⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:9–16

Antiphon by Carlos Messerli

The choir introduces the Antiphon; we join in singing each time thereafter.



℣ Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;*

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.

☩ **For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;***

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones | are consumed.

℣ I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of | my acquaintance;*

when they see me in the street | they avoid me.

☩ **I am forgotten like a dead man, | out of mind;***

I am as useless as a | broken pot. (ANTIPHON)

℣ For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all around;*

they put their heads together against me; they plot to | take my life.

☩ **But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.***

I have said, "You | are my God.

℣ My times are | in your hand;*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.

☩ **Make your face to shine up- | on your servant,***

and in your loving- | kindness save me." (ANTIPHON)

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5–11

Let 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.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: Philippians 2:8b

Michael D. Costello

Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death — even death on a cross.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 23:1–49

℣ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

✠ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. ²They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." ³Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." ⁴Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." ⁵But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

⁶When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ⁷And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time.

⁸When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. ⁹He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.

¹¹Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. ¹²That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

¹³Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, ¹⁴and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ¹⁵Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

¹⁸Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!" ¹⁹(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) ²⁰Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; ²¹but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" ²²A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." ²³But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. ²⁵He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

²⁶As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. ²⁸But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

⁴⁴It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." ⁴⁸And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ⁴⁹But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

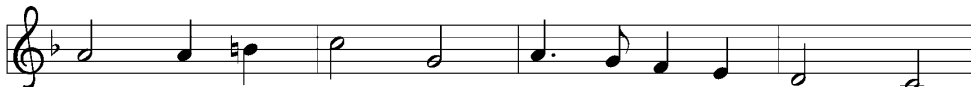
We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: There in God’s Garden

(blue) **WOV #668**



All 1 There in God’s gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 High Voices 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, “Our Sav - ior!”
 Low Voices 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 Choir 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f’ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, “Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing.”

All 5 This is my ending
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

All 6 All heav’n is singing,
 “Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!”
 Amen! My Master!

Text: Király Imre von Pécselyi, c. 1590–c. 1641; tr. Erik Routley, 1917–1982
 Music: SHADES MOUNTAIN, K. Lee Scott, b. 1950
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APOSTLES' CREED

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

✠ MEAL ✠

PEACE OF CHRIST

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Lloyd Larson

We stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY VERSE: Unto Him That Loved Us

Ralph Vaughan Williams

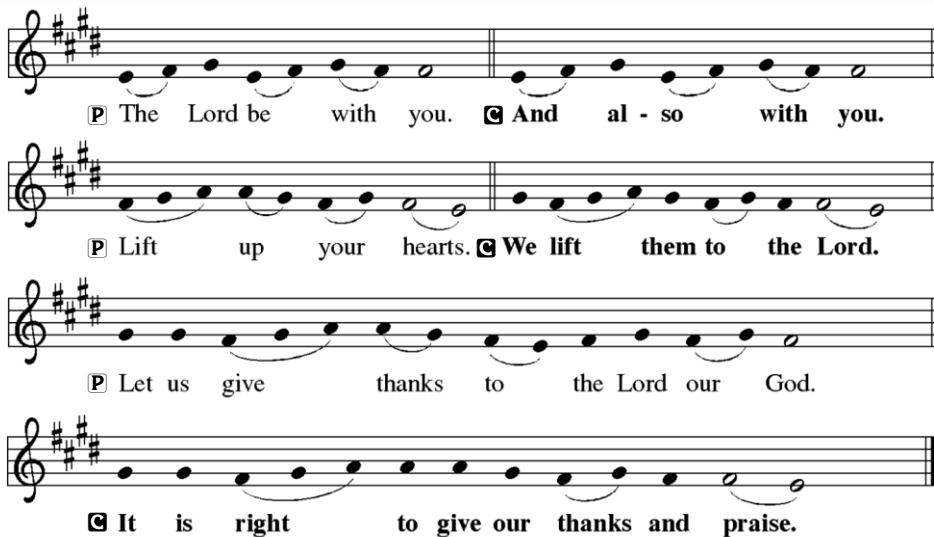
Unto him that loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood
and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father,
unto him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:5-6

OFFERTORY PRAYER

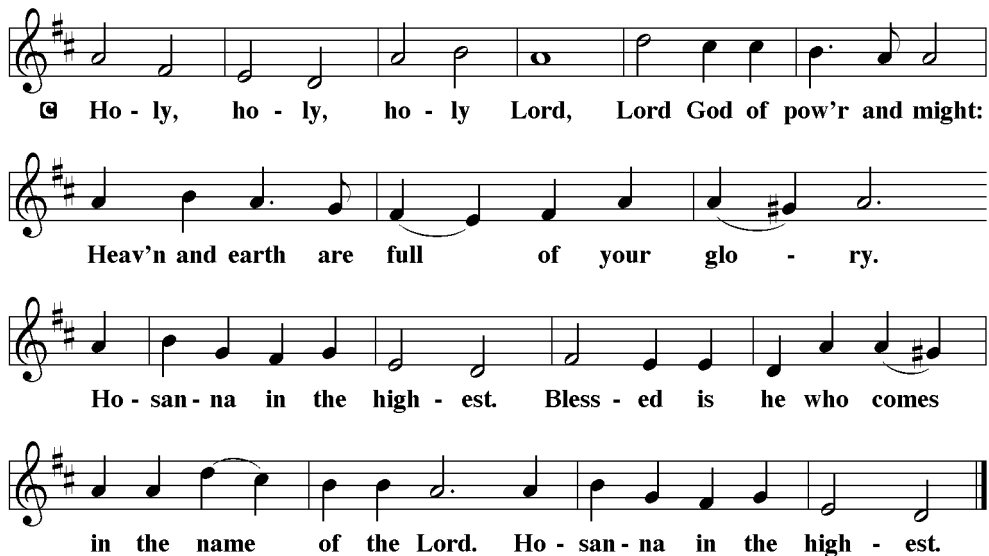
- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are:
Staff 1: **P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.
Staff 2: **P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.
Staff 3: **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Staff 4: **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on the tree of the cross gave salvation to all, that, where death began, there life might be restored, and that he, who by a tree once overcame, might by a tree be overcome. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and 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.



Ⓟ Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth,
for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us
through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary
and rose again to make us living branches,
drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power,
to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord
who comes to us in his body and blood.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, now and forever.

Ⓞ **Amen.**

Ⓟ Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Ⓞ **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.**

P The gifts of God for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P Come, for all is now ready

We sit.

AGNUS DEI

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - - - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown

Music: CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

COMMUNION

*Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized.
The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper,
giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.*

*We receive communion at the head of the center aisle, receiving the consecrated bread
and then drinking directly from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine (intinction).*

*Those choosing individual cups will find non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray.
Those with a gluten allergy may ask the pastor for a gluten-free host.*

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

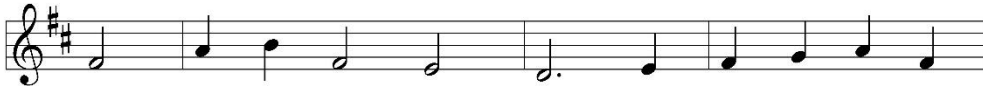
ANTHEM: Hosanna

Chistian Gregor
arr. Roberta Bitgood

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

HYMN: My Song Is Love Unknown

(blue) **WOV #661**
arr. Benjamin M. Culli



All 1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
High Voices 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -
Low Voices 3 Some - times they strew his way and his sweet prais - es
Soloist 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and
Choir 5 They rise and needs will have my dear Lord made a -



me, love to the love - less shown that they might love - ly
 stow; but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would
 sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their
 spite? He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their
 way; a mur - der - er they save, the prince of life they



be. Oh, who am I that for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, my friend in - deed,
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath,
 sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these
 slay. Yet cheer - ful he to suff - 'ring goes



my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 who at my need his life did spend!
 and for his death they thirst and cry.
 them - selves dis - please and 'gainst him rise.
 that he his foes from thence might free.

All 6 In life no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was his home
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

All 7 Here might I stay and sing—
no story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624–1683

Music: LOVE UNKNOWN, John Ireland, 1879–1962

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We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

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

C Amen.

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,
and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ.
Now send us forth to be your people in the world,
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore;
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Jesus I Will Ponder Now

(green) LBW #115

1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now on your ho - ly pas - sion;
 2 Make me see your great dis - tress, an - guish, and af - flic - tion,
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone make me see your pas - sion,
 4 Let me view your pain and loss with re - pen - tant griev - ing,

let your Spir - it now en - dow me for med - i - ta - tion.
 bonds and blows and wretch - ed - ness and your cru - ci - fix - ion;
 but its cause to me make known and its ter - mi - na - tion.
 nor pre - pare a - gain your cross by un - ho - ly liv - ing.

Grant that I in love and faith may the im - age cher - ish
 make me see how scourge and rod, spear and nails, did wound you,
 For I al - so and my sin wrought your deep af - flic - tion;
 May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Sav - ior,

of your suf - f'ring, pain, and death, that I may not per - ish.
 how you died for those, O God, who with thorns had crowned you.
 this the shame - ful cause has been of your cru - ci - fix - ion.
 that I may in heav'n a - bove sing your praise for - ev - er.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Marking the solemnity of this Holy Week, we depart from worship this day in silence.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle, presiding minister
The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, preaching minister
Rebecca Dahlstrom, assisting minister
Jo-Ellyn Dorsey Swanson, deacon

Grace 5-8 Grade Choir
Johanna Johnson, director
Strike Team

Gwen Gostch, director
Grace Parish Choir, choir

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor
Kjersti Anderson-Urbe, cello

Julie Modrich, Susan Hickey, lectors
Julia Isenberg, Sophie Galeener, crucifer/book bearer
Lois Harb, Paulette Reddel, gift bearers

Mike Gillespie, Mary Rasmusson, Susan Sherer, Scott Schwar, ushers
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Neal Armstrong, Ruth Reko, Scott Street, greeters
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Chris De Vries (<i>sister-in-law of Melissa and Jayson De Vries</i>)	Monika Nash (<i>daughter of Verna Offermann</i>)
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For those who mourn

Cathy Barker

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Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

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John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Zachary Larsen (*grandson of Karen and Richard McMahon*)

Joshua Nelson (*son-in-law of Ted and Maja Anton*)

Miles Powell (*grandson of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

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Those who need encouragement

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, APRIL 13

Grace Gathers (Fellowship Hall).....	8:45 a.m.
Library Open (self-service).....	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
White Garment Conversations (Sanctuary).....	9:00 a.m.
Worship – Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.
High School Service Project (Youth Center).....	11:30 a.m.
Slovakia Mission Team (Conference Room).....	11:30 a.m.
Worship Committee (1902 Room).....	11:30 a.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 14

Holy Week Devotions	8:25 a.m.
Kontras Quartet: Haydn, The Seven Last Words of Christ (Sanctuary).....	7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

Holy Week Devotions	8:25 a.m.
Knitting Group (Church Library).....	1:00 p.m.
Scout Meeting (3 rd Floor Commons).....	6:30 p.m.
Women's Choir Rehearsal (Music Room).....	7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

Holy Week Devotions	8:25 a.m.
No Cornerstones – Holy Week Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room).....	7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

Maundy Thursday Worship	8:25 a.m.
Maundy Thursday Worship	7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Journey to the Cross	9:00 a.m.
Good Friday Worship	12:00 & 7:00 p.m.
Building closed.....	1:30 – 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Vigil Rehearsal.....	11:00 a.m.
Easter Vigil Service	7:00 p.m.
Easter Vigil Reception (Fellowship Hall).....	8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Library Open (self-service).....	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Easter Worship – Holy Communion	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
(Prelude music at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.)	

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