



*palm/passion*  
**sunday**

A decorative graphic consisting of two green palm fronds and a black cross. One frond is positioned to the left of the cross, and another is to the right, partially overlapping the cross's vertical stem.

HOSANNA TO THE KING

**BYOP**  
(BRING YOUR OWN PALM)

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2020**  
**5PM**

# Edgebrook Lutheran Church

## Traditional Worship Service

Saturday, April 4, 2020

5:00 p.m.

## Palm/Passion Sunday

### GATHERING

#### **ACCLAMATION**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

#### **PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL -- Matthew 21:1-11**

*Jesus enters Jerusalem*

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying 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. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“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.”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **BLESSING OF PALMS**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept.*

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.

Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,

so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you;

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

**Amen.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray together:

**Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## WORD

**GOSPEL:** Reading of the Passion – Matthew 26:1 – Matthew 27:66

The Passion of our Lord according to Matthew can be found  
on our Facebook page and on our website.

**SERMON**

*Rev. Christina Garrett Klein*

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church,  
the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of mercy, awaken your church to new proclamations of your faithfulness. By  
your Spirit, give us bold and joyful words to speak, that we sustain the weary with  
the message of your redemption. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, quiet the earth where it trembles and shakes. Drive away fear and  
anger that cause us to turn against one another. Prosper the work of scientists,  
engineers, and researchers who find ways to restore creation to health and  
wholeness. Give courage to leaders who seek liberation for the oppressed. Hear us,  
O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, send your saving help to all who suffer abuse, insult, discrimination,  
or contempt. Heal the wounded. Comfort the dying and the lonely. Bring peace to  
those suffering chronic or terminal illness, and to all those impacted by the  
coronavirus. Tend to all who cry out for relief (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, we pray for all who will prepare and lead worship in this Holy  
Week. In all things, show us the ways that you call us to die to self, to live for you,  
and to give of ourselves for the sake of others. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, when we breathe our last, you raise us to eternal life. With all your  
witnesses in heaven and on earth, let us boldly confess the name of Jesus Christ,  
our resurrection and our hope. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray:

## **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.**

## **SENDING**

## **BENEDICTION**

Now is the acceptable time.  
Now is the day of salvation.  
Holy God,  
speaking, spoken, and inspiring,  
✠ bless you, unbind you,  
and send you in love and in peace.  
**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**



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Transforming lives by sharing a saving faith in Jesus Christ  
and living the Gospel through service

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+ Pastor Christina Klein

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DID YOU KNOW THAT SAYING THE  
LORD'S PRAYER TAKES EXACTLY AS  
LONG AS THE CDC RECOMMENDS  
YOU WASH YOUR HANDS?

*Love your neighbor. Love your God.  
Wash and Pray.*

*Thank you for worshipping with us today as we seek to be in community with one another while minimizing physical contact. As a gentle reminder, please continue to wash your hands for the recommended 20 seconds, and create safe boundaries through physical distancing.*

*We know that God is with us and God is at work, wherever we worship. Please check your email, Facebook, etc., for additional notifications and updates in the coming weeks, and contact the church council ([council@edgebrooklutheran.org](mailto:council@edgebrooklutheran.org)) with any concerns.*

*Stay safe and be well! God's peace to you!!*