

**Sixth Sunday in Lent  
ELW Setting 3  
Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
The Alliance Worship**

**Palm Sunday**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church  
9844 SW Greenville Road  
Greenville, MI 48838**

**Settlement Lutheran Church  
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Gowen, MI 49326**

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**Sharing the joy of Christ.**

**Transformed by God's  
grace we share  
the love of Christ**



**PRELUDE (STP)**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS (SET)**  
**RINGING THE BELL (SET)**  
**PRELUDE (SET)**  
**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS (STP)**

## WELCOME

We will gather outside on the porch. (weather permitting)

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

## GATHERING HYMN 344 WE WILL WAVE PALMS AS WE SING.

### All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*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 are 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.

## GREETING

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

**And also with you.** (hands out)

## BLESSING OF PALMS

Let us pray.

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.**



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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE ELW 341

### Now Behold the Lamb



1 Now be - hold the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God, who  
2 Ho - ly is the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God. Why  
3 Thank you for the Lamb, the pre - cious Lamb of God. Be -



bore all my sin, that I may live a - gain: the pre - cious Lamb of God.  
you love me so, Lord, I shall nev - er know; the pre - cious Lamb of God.  
cause of your grace I can fin - ish the race; the pre - cious Lamb of God.

## 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.

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.

**Amen.**

## FIRST READING ISAIAH 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>4</sup> The Lord GOD has given me a trained tongue, 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. <sup>5</sup> The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I did not turn backward. <sup>6</sup> I 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. <sup>7</sup> The 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; <sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand in court together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. <sup>9</sup> It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 31:9-16

<sup>9</sup> Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;  
my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

**<sup>10</sup> For my life is spent with sorrow and my years with sighing;  
my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.**

<sup>11</sup> I am the scorn of all my adversaries,  
a horror to my neighbors,  
an object of dread to my acquaintances;  
those who see me in the street flee from me.

**<sup>12</sup> I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;  
I have become like a broken vessel.**

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<sup>13</sup> For I hear the whispering of many—  
terror all around!—  
as they scheme together against me,  
as they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup> **But I trust in you, O LORD;  
I say, “You are my God.”**

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

<sup>16</sup> **Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.**

## **SECOND READING PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11**

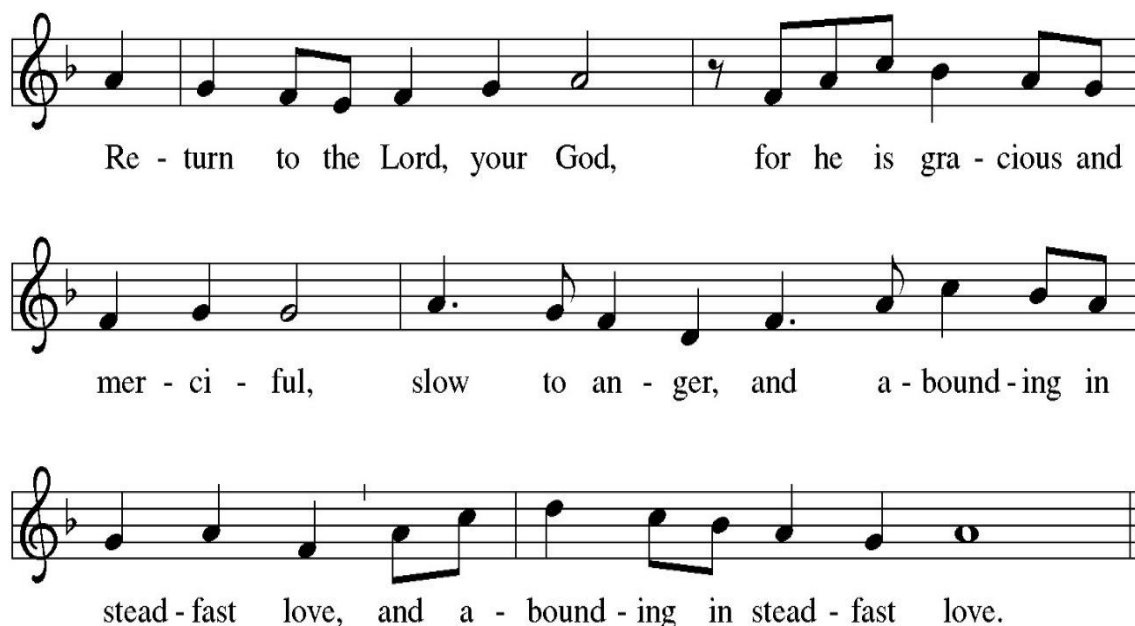
A reading from Philippians.

<sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and 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.**

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

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Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and

mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in

stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## GOSPEL : Mark 11:1-11

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**11** When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup> and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this: ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’ ” <sup>4</sup> They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup> some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” <sup>6</sup> They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. <sup>7</sup> Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup> Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup> Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

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<sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”<sup>11</sup> Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple, and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY   LORD WHAT A PARADE!**  
(Tune: You Servants of God ELW 825)

Lord, what a parade! The crowd quickly grew;  
What noise they all made in welcoming you.  
“Hosanna!” they shouted. “It’s David’s own son!  
Hosanna! Come save us! God’s reign has begun!”

They welcomed you in, a conquering king,  
Yet what kind of reign would you really bring?  
It wasn’t a war horse you rode on that day;  
A creature of peace carried you on your way.

Did those in that crowd expect something more  
Than one who reached out in love to the poor?  
Did they think a savior with armies was best,  
Or did they remember: the peaceful are blessed?

Lord Jesus, it’s true – we give you glad praise,  
Yet living for you will challenge our ways.  
So may we be open and welcome your reign.  
Hosanna! Come save us! Renew us again!

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

*The word catholic with a small "c" means all Christians.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting in God's Promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

*A brief silence.*

Blessed One, today the church sings glad hosannas as we enter Holy Week. Prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope.

Receive us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

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Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Encourage the work of foresters, scientists, arborists, gardeners, and river keepers. We pray for the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants.

Receive us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Let your face shine upon the leaders of nations and let the same mind be in them as was in Christ Jesus, so that those with the most power may humble themselves to serve the most vulnerable.

God, in your mercy,

**Receive our prayer.**

Sustain the weary with a word. Grant perseverance to political prisoners and to any who are exploited, unjustly accused, or wrongly convicted. Abide with all who are in jails, detention centers, or prisons. Console all who experience times of trial or suffering. We especially pray for...

God, in your mercy,

**Receive our prayer.**

Give strength to those who will lead worship during Holy Week: pastors and deacons, altar guilds and sacristans, musicians and assisting ministers, ushers, and office staff. Instill in them awe and joy, that their service may reflect the love of Jesus.

God, in your mercy,

**Receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Blessed One, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in discipleship throughout our lives and receive us into everlasting life.

Receive us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.** (*hands out*)

## OFFERING & OFFERTORY

### OFFERING SONG CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

#### Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: 'Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right'. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: 'spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take'. The third staff continues with the lyrics: 'not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of'. The fourth staff concludes the piece with the lyrics: 'your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.' The piece ends with a double bar line.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right

spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take

not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of

your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. (pause)

Gracious Provider,  
you set your immense treasures among us,  
opening your heart to the world.  
As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,  
deepen our commitment to sharing those  
treasures with others,  
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
whose suffering and death gave salvation to all.  
You gather your people around the tree of the cross,  
transforming death into life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav-en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a whole note, the second with a half note, the third with a half note, and the fourth with a whole note and a double bar line.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

## 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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who are hungry, come!  
The feast of grace is spread.

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome to come to share in Holy Communion at God's Table.*

As you receive the bread and wine:  
The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
Each person may respond: **Amen.**



## COMMUNION SONG



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. (pause)

Generous Host,  
you have shared your feast with us and made us new.  
Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,  
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,  
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & GOOD NEWS (ST. PAUL)

### BLESSING

God our tender parent,  
God the crucified one,  
God the reconciling Spirit,  
✝ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**



## SENDING SONG JESUS KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS ELW 335

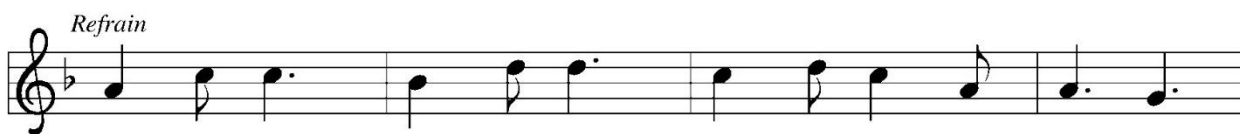
### Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross



- 1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;  
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;  
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;  
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.  
there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.  
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.  
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **ST. PAUL & SETTLEMENT PRAYER LIST HEALING**

**Ainsley** Pearson, **Alice** Bessert, **Betsy** Irish, **Bob** Perdue, **Bob and Betty** Knapp, **Carol** Rasmussen, **Carole** Hansen, **Diane** Hansen, **Deb** Rice, **Dick** Brom, **Dennis** Dombkowski, **Joanne** Byer, **Jenica** Gotwalt, **Keith** McCallum, **Lois** Davis, **Lucille** Petersen, **Marlene** Grams, **Ryan** Holley-Mallo, **Russ** Milne, **Rusty** Milne, **Russ** Lincoln, **Sarah** Sabinas Kacprzyk, **Sally** Brom, **Terry** Horst

## **MILITARY**

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## **This Week**

**Sunday April 13th**

**Palm Sunday  
St. Paul Worship 9:30  
Settlement Worship 11:00**

**Monday April 14th**

AA/Al-anon 7pm  
Pastor's Sabbath

**Tuesday April 15th**

Food Pantry 10-12  
Staff Meeting 10:30  
No Bible Study  
Bells 5:45

**Wednesday April 16th**

Food Pantry 5:30-7:30  
Mark's Sabbath

**Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>**

10:40 Prayer SET  
Barrie's 11-3  
**Maundy Service and Agape Meal 5:30**

**Friday April 18th**

**Good Friday  
Ecumenical Worship with  
St Paul Episcopal 12:00  
Shalom on Zoom 1:30  
St. Paul Good Friday Service 7pm**

**Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Vigil SET**

**Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday  
9:30 St Paul  
11:00 am Settlement**

## April St. Paul Serving Calendar

Date	Assisting	Proclaimer	Sound	Lead Usher	Nursery	Counters	Musician
<b>4/6</b>	Deb	Josh S	Lee Diane Karen H	Curt B	Donny	Joanne B Karen H	Ryan
<b>4/13</b>	Janet W	Karen P	Diane Paul R Deb R	John C	Shirley	John C Lisa B	Sarah
<b>4/20</b>	Connie	Kevand	Lee Diane Lisa	Bob K	Amy S	Shirley Connie	Ryan
<b>4/27</b>	Rocky H	Lynn C	Paul R Lee H Tara C	Kevand S	Linda	Kevand S Diane C	Sarah

## April Settlement Serving Calendar

Date	Assisting	Proclaimer	Sound	Lead Usher	Counter	Musician
<b>4/6</b>	Dorinda	Barb J	Aaron	Johansen	Alicia Barbara	Sarah
<b>4/13</b>	Dorinda	Sara M	Aaron	Johansen	Alyssa Dorinda	Sarah
<b>4/20</b>	Dorinda	Vickey	Aaron	Johansen	Alyssa Aaron	Sarah
<b>4/27</b>	Dorinda	Dorinda	Aaron	Johansen	Alicia John	Sarah