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March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday & Confirmation

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Liturgy - Divine Service Setting Three (pg. 184)

Opening Hymn: 442 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Hymn of the Day: 438 "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"

Confirmation Hymn: TLH 335 "My Maker, Be Thou Nigh" (printed in bulletin)

Distribution Hymn: 618 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" **Distribution Hymn:** 636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Distribution Hymn: 443 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Distribution Hymn: 444 "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

Closing Hymn: 441 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Prayer Requests

Please email prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at **pastor.hayes@outlook.com**. Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

Angie Reinert, Marilyn Ohlde, Loraine Oldehoeft, & Lorna Heitman (nursing home)

Pastor & Michelle Tessaro (daughter Melody & family)

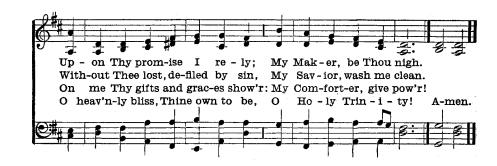
Acolyte today - Samuel Bott **Acolyte March 31 -** Cade Hiltgen

Ushers today - *Evan Bott, Conner Ohlde, Daniel Nabors, Aiden Sweet

Ushers Mar. 31 - *Tyler Ohlde, Liam Voelker, Noah Thalmann, & Mason Tiemeyer

LYF Serving for Bible Class April 7 & 14 - Dylan Ohlde & Mason Tiemeyer

*No fellowship hour today or March 31st



THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily, according to Holy Scripture, do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

I admit that I am a sinner. (1 John 1:8-10)
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I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and
death. (Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)
I desire to live as God wants me to. (John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)
I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. (John
3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)
I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the
bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark
4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; Luke 22:17-20)
I forgive those who have wronged me.

My Maker, Be Thou Migh

Ps. 119: 8 6. 6. 6. 6. 7. 7. 7. 7. 8. 6. Mein Schöpfer, steh mir bei Mein Schöpfer, steh mir bei Johann J. Rambach, †1735 Franz H. Meyer, 1740 Tr., Rebekah H. Taylor, †1877, alt. 1 My Mak - er, be Thou nigh The light of life to give 2 My Say - ior, wash me clean With Thy most pre-cious blood, 3 My Com-fort - er, give pow'r That I may stand se - cure Ho - ly Trin - i - ty! То whom I all things owe. And guide me with Thine eve While here live. onearth That takes a - way all sin And seals my peace with God. When in temp-ta-tion's hour The world and sin al - lure. Thine im - age gra-cious - ly With - in my heart be - stow. Thee my heart I ten-der And all my pow'rs sur-ren-der; soul in peace a - bid - eth When in Thy wounds it hid - eth. The Son to me re-veal-ing, In-spire my tho't and feel-ing, Choose me, tho' weak and low - ly, To be Thy tem-ple ho - ly Make it my one en-deav-or love and serve Thee ev - er. And free-dom from dam-na-tion. There I find full sal - va - tion His Word of grace to pon-der, Nor let me from Him wan-der. Where praise shall rise un - end - ing For grace so con-de-scend-ing.

Procession of Palms

The congregation faces the procession in the back of the church.

Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord T Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.
- P. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the Son of David.

Collect

P Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Holy Gospel

John 12:12-19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.
- P The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.
- P Let us go forth in peace,
- C in the name of the Lord.

All arrive at their places. The children sing and then return to their parents.

- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest.

Collect of the Day

- P Let us pray...one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The service continues with the readings in the Service of the Word, LSB p. 190.

Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-43

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." 22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." 30 Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. 34 So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. 37 Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, 38 so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

39 Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

40 "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them."

41 Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him.
42 Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue;
43 for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

CONFIRMANDS

Deavon Ohlde, son of Clayton & Andrea Ohlde

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." [Galatians 2:20]

Annalise Orona, daughter of Matthew Orona & great niece of Gayle Jones

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." [Matthew 5:16]

Cash Stunkel, son of Chad & Laura Stunkel

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." [Philippians 4:13]

Emitt Tiemeyer, son of Brett & Vanessa Tiemeyer

"For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." [Hebrews 12:11]

Kingston Voelker, son of Joelle Voelker

"For the LORD your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them." [Deuteronomy 4:31]

Upcoming Events

March 24	8:30 a.m. Mixed Choir Rehearsal9:30 a.m. (Palm Sunday) Divine Service with Holy Communion10:45 a.m. NO Adult Bible Class or Children's Sunday School
March 27	7:00 p.m. Men's Choir Rehearsal
March 28	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion
March 29	7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
March 31	9:30 a.m. (Easter) Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. NO Adult Bible Class or Children's Sunday School

Announcements

- Wednesday, March 27 Linn Lutheran 5th/6th grade class will be leading Chapel.
 This year's 5th/6th grade class is our largest at 22 students! Mrs. Renae Bott is
 the teacher. Chapel is every Wednesday at 8:25am at Zion in Linn. Everyone is
 welcome to join us!!!
- If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily to be shared on Easter Sunday, March 31st, please let Ann Ohlde (785-632-0127) know if it is in honor or memory of someone by Thursday, March 28, so it can be put in the bulletin. Then, purchase your Easter Lily and have it to the Parish Hall by 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 30. Thank you!
- Linn Lutheran School will **not** be in session on Thursday, March 28 (Linn Public will be), Friday, March 29, or Monday, April 1.
- Linn Lutheran School's 1st Grade Open House for all incoming 1st graders for the 2024-2025 school year is on Wed, April 10, at Linn Lutheran School at 6pm.
- The 2024 Middle School Huddle (MSH) will be held April 19-20 at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch, south of Junction City. More info and registration here: https://kslcms.org/education-youth/youth-ministry/middle-school-events/
- This summer/fall, join fellow Lutherans and other Christians at regional LCMS
 marriage enrichment seminars around Kansas! We will meditate upon God's gift
 of marriage and how we can build each other up in a world where marriage and
 family are under constant assault! Dates, locations, and speakers will be
 announced soon. For more information, email the KS-LCMS Parish Education
 Committee chair, Rev. Philip Hoppe, at pastor@ihoppe.com.
- LCMS memory verse challenge this week: Isaiah 53:5 "But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed."

Behold, your king is coming to you!



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