

**Palmarum  
Passion Sunday with the  
Procession of Palms**

**March 24, 2024**



**And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself by becoming  
obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.**

**(Philippians 2:8 ESV)**

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Welcome to the Divine Service** where the risen Christ comes into our midst to bring us the peace of His cross and empty tomb. We pray that the Lord would grant us His Holy Spirit that His Word would bear the fruits of faith in Christ and works of love toward our neighbor.

**The Lord's Supper** is a confession that we are united in holding to all the doctrines of God's Word. Those who do not know and hold to the doctrinal commitment of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, who are not members in good standing at an LCMS congregation, or who receive the Lord's Supper at a church not in fellowship with the LCMS, are requested to attend the Adult Instruction Class for membership before communing at Faith Lutheran Church.

## ***The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory***

*“Behold, your King is coming to you . . . humble and mounted on a donkey”* (Zech. 9:9–12; Mt. 21:1–9). Our Lord rides in this humble fashion because He is entering Jerusalem to humble Himself even to the point of death on a cross (Phil. 2:5–11). His kingly crown will not be made of gold but of thorns, the sign of sin's curse. For His royal reign is displayed in bearing this curse for His people, saving us from our enemies by sacrificing His own life. The sinless One takes the place of the sinner so that the sinner can be freed and bear the name *“Barabbas,” “son of the Father”* (Matthew 26 and 27). It is at the name of this exalted Savior, Jesus, that we bow in humble faith. With the centurion who declared, *“Truly this was the Son of God!”* (Mt. 27:54), we are also given to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil. 2:11).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please remember to silence your cell phones during the Divine Service.)*

**Holy Week! Please be sure and review** the Upcoming Events Calendar on page 3 to see the opportunities for worship during Holy Week.

**Today is the last day to purchase Easter Lilies** from the Women of Wylie (WoW). The flowers will be used to beautify the sanctuary on Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the service. They are \$14.00 each and checks should be made payable to Faith Lutheran Church with the memo: "WOW, Easter Lily". Sign up today! Contact Sandra Traugott for questions or more information.

**Easter Breakfast:** - Everyone is invited to the Easter Breakfast next Sunday, March 31, 7:30 a.m. Please bring an item to share. (Pastry/bread, fruit, fruit juice, breakfast casserole). A signup sheet will be available today. But if you are not able to bring an item, please come anyway. There is always plenty to share and it is an excellent opportunity for good fellowship.

**Everyone is encouraged to pick up a copy of the devotional**, "How to Meditate on the Passion of Christ"; they are available in the narthex.

**More times are available for pastoral home visits. Please use the link to SignUp Genius. The link has also been emailed.** These visits will be about 45 minutes in length and are intended to facilitate an opportunity to talk about church and Sunday School attendance, family devotions, and Bible study. If you would like more time to discuss anything I will be happy to schedule another visit just for that. May God richly bless these visits that our fellowship in Christ may be strengthened. I look forward to visiting each of your homes.  
- Pastor Ulmer, **Every Household Visits Sign Up**

**The annual Women of Wylie (WoW) Rummage Sale** is planned for April 19 and 20, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. both

days. Mark your calendars now! It is a good time to clean out your closets and donate items to the Sale. Proceeds will go to WoW local and world mission projects and the Youth Fund. (Youth and their parents are encouraged to help with the Sale even for a couple of hours!)

**Please be sure your family signs up** to help with the regular cleaning of the Lord's house. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Many hands make light work!

**Premier conference for Lutheran Laity...** You're invited to attend the 2024 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: 12-Time All-American Swimmer Riley Gaines, Mollie Hemingway of Fox News, Mark Hemingway of RealClear Investigations, Pastor Chris Rosebrough of "Fighting for the Faith," Aaron Renn of The American Conservative, Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller of "Has American Christianity Failed?" and Pastor Will Weedon of The Word of the Lord Endures Forever. The early bird registration fee is \$140 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) or call (618) 223-8385.

## **OUR LIFE AS CHRISTIAN STEWARDS**

**Zechariah 9:9 – “Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”**

No king ever rode to war like this. But no king had ever come to wage battle by dying. In His Passion, our Lord Jesus gives everything He has and is; He does this to bring us from death to life, to make us His own people, and show us an example of self-giving love that we should follow.

## **UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS**

**SUNDAY**      *Palmarum, Palm Sunday*  
3/24/24      9:30 AM – Divine Service  
                 11:15 AM – Sunday School

<b>MONDAY</b>	<i>Holy Monday – Annunciation of Our Lord</i> 9:30 AM – Matins
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<i>Holy Tuesday</i> 9:30 AM – Matins
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<i>Holy Wednesday</i> 9:30 AM – Divine Service
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<i>Maundy Thursday</i> 9:30 AM – Matins 7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Divine Service
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<i>Good Friday</i> 9:30 AM – Matins 10:15 AM – Confession and Absolution 2:00 PM – Chief Service 7:00 PM – Tenebrae Service
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<i>Holy Saturday</i> 9:30 AM – Matins 7:30 PM – Easter Vigil (Faith, Plano)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<i>The Resurrection of Our Lord - Easter Sunday</i>
<i>3/31/24</i>	7:30 AM – Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM – Divine Service

## PRAYERS

- For all who serve in public safety as police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, that God would protect them, give them courage in danger and grant them wisdom as they perform their duties, especially Joshan Savage (police officer), Joe Krizan (firefighter and paramedic), Elisabeth Handgraaf (paramedic), Will McCrillis, Jonah Underwood (paramedics).
- Christina Null who is recovering from a fall.
- Aimee Hendon's parents as they struggle after Antonia's stroke that God would use this affliction to call both of them out of unbelief to saving faith in Christ and that God would help Aimee faithfully carry out her vocation as their daughter.
- Dony Reaves who is recovering from surgery.

- Leah Savage for protection of mother and child in pregnancy. (Psalm 139:13).
- Those struggling with ongoing health issues: Alissa Ulmer, Dony Reaves, Ethan Sims, Mary Hart, Doug Drawe.

**Assisting in the Divine Service Today:**

Elder – Gil Daughtrey

Altar: Gail Sellers

Organist: Rebekah Roundey

Pastor Ulmer – Bible Class

Amanda Curry – Sunday School Superintendent

3/17/24 General Fund Offerings received: \$8,843

Restricted Fund Offerings received: \$105

Weekly budget needed: \$4,478; Year to date **surplus \$3,412**