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Palmarum – Palm Sunday

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Emmanuel is a liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation, in communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA). We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we ask our visitors to respect our practice of *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in joining our Communion fellowship have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

The Order of Service for Palm Sunday begins this year in the sanctuary with the congregation seated. The Palm Sunday Gospel will be read from Matthew 21, after which all children from 8th grade down to Pre-school will follow the pastor around the sanctuary as the congregation sings the processional hymn. After walking around the sanctuary once, the procession proceeds up the center aisle, at which time the children will return to their seats.

In place of the regular Gospel and the regular-length Sermon, the entire Passion History of the Suffering & Death of our Lord Jesus Christ will be read according to St. Matthew's Gospel and a brief sermon will be preached.

The Passion History according to St. John will be read on Good Friday. Since we are not gathering for Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week this year, the congregation is encouraged to read the accounts from Mark (14:1-15:47) and Luke (22:1-23:56) sometime before Thursday.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

- Thur., Apr. 9 - Maundy Thursday Divine Service, 6:30 PM
 - Fri., Apr. 10 - Good Friday Service of Word & Sacrament, 1 PM
 - Sun., Apr. 12 - Divine Service for the Feast of the Resurrection, 10:15 AM
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PROCESSION OF PALMS

Stand

P The grace of our Lord +✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

C *(spoken)* **Amen.**

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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

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 *(spoken)* **Amen.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 21.

C *(spoken)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

After the reading of the Gospel:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C *(spoken)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

The children present (Pre-K through 8th grade) line up behind the pastor and process around the sanctuary. When the procession moves up the center aisle, the children return to their seats. During the procession, the congregation sings the following hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

TLH #160

After the final stanza is sung:

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C **Hosanna in the highest!**

P *(sung)* The Lord be with you.

C *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

The Pastor speaks the collect. The congregation sings "Amen" and then sits.

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11

HYMN

TLH #140 – Jesus, I Will Ponder Now (st. 1-2)

THE HOLY GOSPEL, Part 1

P The Holy Gospel of the Passion History of our Lord Jesus Christ from the Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapters 26 and 27.

C (*sung*) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

HYMN *TLH #140 – Jesus, I Will Ponder Now (st. 3-4)*

THE HOLY GOSPEL, Part 2

HYMN *TLH #140 – Jesus, I Will Ponder Now (st. 5-6)*

THE HOLY GOSPEL, Part 3

HYMN *TLH #142 – A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining (st. 1-3)*

Stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL, Part 4

After the Gospel:

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C (*sung*) **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

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Sit

HYMN *TLH #142 – A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining (st. 4-6)*

BRIEF SERMON

Stand

THE GENERAL PRAYER

The service continues with The Preface, TLH p. 24.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*TLH #161 - Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
TLH #162 – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*