

PALM SUNDAY

Sixth Sunday of Lent



“Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church is an open, welcoming and affirming community, fulfilling God’s vision of a world where peace, love, and justice become a reality for all.”

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Print the bulletin at home because then you could follow along and read and pray together with us.

Prelude Music

“Hosanna”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=06xSfuknde8>

Welcome to Palm Sunday

Pastor Liliana Stahlberg

Apostolic Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dEPSQyVgXhw>

Morning Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray together:

Everlasting God, in your endless love for your creation you gave us our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature, to teach us, guide us and show us the way of grace, love and peace. Help us love and commit to Jesus and his Way, now and forever more. Amen.

Making Crosses out of Palm Leaves

Cindy Massaro

Have you palm leaves ready so that you can follow the directions and make your cross together with Cindy.

Pastor: Let us hear the Spirit’s Voice speak today, in our ancient Scriptures.

Hebrew Scripture Readings

*Pastor: Prophets Zechariah and Isaiah wrote prophecies about the coming ruler of God's people, the Messiah/Christ. This is a new type of leader for all humanity, **the non-violent, humble and suffering servant leader**. This leader is in total opposition to what the Hebrew people, as well as people throughout the ages, envisioned in their leaders. This new type of leader will show the true character of God and God's will for humanity. The non-violent, suffering servant of the Lord expresses absolute confidence in his final vindication, despite the fact that he has been struck and spit upon. For the early Christian church all of these qualities were embodied in the life and teachings of Jesus. The non-violent, suffering servant prophecies helped the early church understand the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus.*

Zechariah 9: 9-10

Reader David Waters

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the warhorse from Jerusalem;

and the battle-bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River of life to the ends of the earth.

Isaiah 50 : 4-9

Reader Pastor Liliana
Join us for the bold print

The Lord God has given me

the tongue of a teacher,

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.

The Lord God has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious,

I did not turn backwards.

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.

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;

he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me;

who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 37

Trust in the Lord, and do good;
so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.
Take delight in the Lord,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the Lord;
trust in him, and he will act.
He will make your vindication shine like the light,
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

**Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for his presence;
Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.**

**Do not fret—it leads only to evil.
Depart from evil, and do good;
so you shall abide for ever.
For the Lord loves justice;
he will not forsake his faithful ones.
The righteous shall be kept safe for ever,
The righteous shall inherit the land,
and live in it for ever.**

New Testament Reading

Philippians 2: 4-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Reader Cora Jackson
Join us for the bold print

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Pastor: May the Spirit fill your heart and you mind with Christ's Word.

Gospel

Matthew 21: 1-11

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew chapter 24:1-8

All: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: Listen to the story of Jesus' Triumphal Entry in Jerusalem;

Pastor reads the story.

Pastor: And this is the Gospel, the Good News of Christ!

All: Praise to you O, Christ!

Sermon The Greatest Story Ever Told Pastor Liliana Stahlberg

Hymn of the Day

“Guide me Oh Thou Great Redeemer”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZAN4EojeF0Y>

We Are Community— LOTM Announcements

Prayers for the people of God

Pastor: In the presence of Christ and the Holy Spirit let us boldly pray for
the church, the world and all in need.

Pastor: Lord in your compassion,

All: Hear our prayers!

Offering

*If you feel so inclined, please send us a check at P.O. Box 1059, Dillon, CO, 80435. Or give online with **Zelle**.*

Holy Communion *Let us pray together the words of institution that Jesus left with us to remember him.*

In the night before he was crucified Jesus had a Passover meal with his friends. And he took the bread, he gave thanks, and then broke it, saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me. Again after supper he took the cup, he gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is the blood of the new covenant poured out for you; do this in remembrance of me. Send now the power of your holy Spirit upon these gifts. Lord, remember us in your kingdom and detach us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

Lord's Prayer *(Congregation may join hands.)*

**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.**

Please, commune each other with the words: This is the body of Christ, bread for the journey; This is the blood of Christ, the cup of blessing.

Benediction: May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen**

Sending Hymn

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h3a8fTTrAdE>

Welcome to Lord of the Mountains

We rejoice that diversity in God's creation enriches, nurtures and challenges our life and ministry as followers of Jesus and as servants in the world.

Because we believe with Jesus that God's grace is truly amazing, we are committed to welcoming all people to this place...
no matter where you come from, no matter what age,
race, socio-economic or family status,
no matter what gender identity or sexual orientation,
no matter what your faith tradition or theological beliefs.

Grace is for everyone or it isn't grace.
It's that simple.
It's that amazing.

We really do welcome all!

In the spirit of the Reformation, Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church continually seeks meaningful ways of expressing our commitment to the life and teachings of Jesus.

We do this by...

- welcoming all people to full participation in our community of faith.
- recognizing there are many ways to God.
- striving to be compassionate toward all of creation.
- aspiring to live what we believe.
- respecting diversity of thought and opinion.
- working for peace and justice for all people and all creation.
- committing ourselves to serving others.

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