

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Procession of the Palms-**  
**Passion Sunday**

**March 29, 2026**

**Divine Service III**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAVERS OF PREPARATION** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Elder:** Mike Martin

**Ushers:** Mark Bernhardt & Mark Mielke

**Greeters:** Dave & Connie Mickelsen

**Pianist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Amy Vallis & Dorothy McConville

**Fellowship:** John Tomsheck

*Stand and face the processional cross.*

## **Greeting**

**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ 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 Glory Laud and Honor

LSB 442

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

*A time of silence is observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion.*

## Collect of the Day

- P** Let us pray.  
Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow

LSB 428

## Old Testament Reading

*Zechariah 9:9–12*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
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.  
<sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall speak peace to the nations;  
his rule shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.



**A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth**

*LSB 438*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*p192*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Who Is The Lamb?**

*Choir*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface**

*p194*

**Sanctus**

*p195*

**Lord's Prayer**

*p196*

**The Words of Our Lord**

*p197*

**Pax Domini**

**Agnus Dei**

*p198*

*Sit*

**Distribution**

**Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

*LSB 443*

**Ride On, Ride On in Majesty**

*LSB 441*

**Jesus, Refuge of the Weary**

*LSB 423*

**Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You**

*LSB 668*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** *(the Gloria Patri is omitted)*

*p199*

**Thanksgiving**

*p200*

**Salutation and Benedicamus**

*p201*

**Benediction**

*p202*

**No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet**

*LSB 444*

**+ V D M A +**

**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum**  
**The Word of the Lord endures forever**

## +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Lena Roemke, Rianon Asbury, Exavier Padro, & veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Michelle Knull, Linda Polcin, Anita Brothers, the Nevius Family, Nicole Padro (daughter of the Brayas), Jan Sandberg (mother of Jim Sandberg), Sarah Hagerman, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), Wayne & Jeannie Pannette (brother-in-law and sister of Marilyn Dissen), Jim Knuth, Gail Kulbacki, Rachel Higginbotham (friend of the Roemke family), and Arlene Maxwell & Sherry Blankenship (friends of Jim & Kathy Vescova).

## +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>+

- ✘ **THRIVENT CHOICE:** Thank you to all of you who have directed your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Messiah. In 2025, we received \$1,607 through this program. Any Choice Dollars you have now will expire on March 31st, so you must chose a beneficiary before then. Please contact your Thrivent representative with any questions.
- ✘ **EASTER BRUNCH:** We will have an Easter brunch potluck after the service on Easter morning. Biscuits, gravy, and sausage are being provided. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway to provide a dish.

**ATTENDANCE 3/22:** 103

## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 3/28/26

Weekly receipts for operating budget	\$3,135
Weekly need for operating budget	\$4,869
Difference	-\$1,734
Weekly long-term and fund receipts	\$300

### BIRTHDAYS

3/30 Mark Mielke  
3/31 Christa Hegland  
Gail Kulbacki  
4/4 Mark Bernhardt

### BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

3/29 Bob Hagerman  
3/30 Terry Sommer  
Tatum Nehls  
Lena Roemke  
4/4 Jim Sandberg

**+HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT MESSIAH+**

Monday	3/30	6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Tuesday	3/31	6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Wednesday	4/1	9:00 am	Spoken Divine Service
		6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Thursday	4/2	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Divine Service
Friday	4/3	12:00 pm	Good Friday Chief Service
		6:30 pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers
Saturday	4/4	7:21 pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday	4/5	9:00 am	Easter Divine Service with Brunch following