#### PALM SUNDAY

#### April 02, 2023

10:30 Am



**About this day:** The Palm Sunday liturgy originated in the fourth-century Jerusalem practice of following the steps of Christ through the city and its environs. The Christian community gathered outside the city walls to the east, listened to the Gospel account of Christ's entrance, and then walked into the city waving palms. The significance of this liturgy is the entrance of the congregation into the worship of Holy Week. We hope you will be able to participate in our Good Friday service as we contemplate the crucifixion in word, song, and silence.

> *The congregation gathers outside for the procession with palms. Palm branches are distributed before the liturgy begins.*

- **P**: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
- **G**: Hosanna to the Son of David.
- **P**: The Lord be with you.
- **G**: And also with you.
- **P**: Let us pray.

Mercifully assist us, O Lord, God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- G: Amen.
- **P**: The Gospel of the Lord according to Luke, the nineteenth chapter.
- **G**: Glory to you, O Lord.

# **†** Processional Gospel

## Matthew 21:1-11

- **P**: The Gospel of the Lord.
- **G**: Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation raises high the palm branches. A bell is rung.

- **P**: The Lord be with you.
- **G**: And also with you.
- **P**: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G**: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have freed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may follow with perfect confidence Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **G**: Amen.
- **P**: Let us proceed together in peace,
- **G**: in the name of the Lord.

### **Processional Hymn**

All Glory, Laud and Honor

A soloist begins the refrain in the courtyard and all join. All repeat the refrain continuously as the congregation enters the building and all take their places in the nave.



When the organ begins, all join at the refrain and sing the hymn in its entirety.

### Welcome

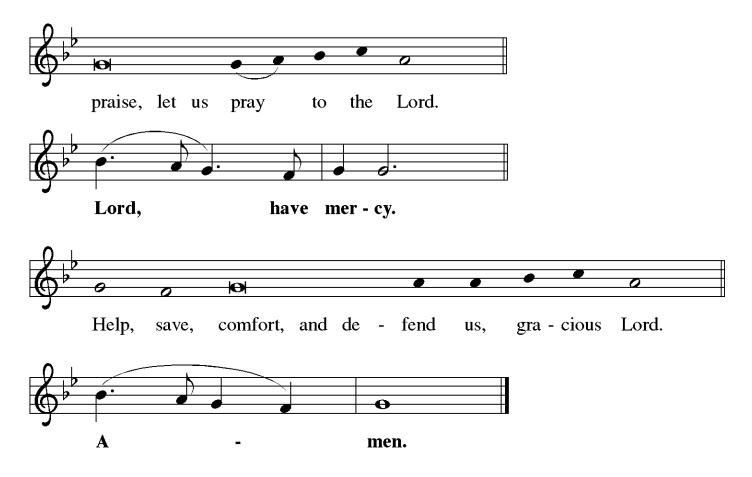
# ↑ Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G**: And also with you.





For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



## **†Prayer of the Day**

**P**: Let us pray.

Everlasting God, in your never-ending search for a lost and alienated humanity, you gave up your Son Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to walk the same path of self-sacrifice, and share in the glorious victory of His resurrection, through Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G**: Amen.

# **First Reading**

A: Word of God, Word of life.

## **G**: Thanks be to God.

## Psalmody

Psalm 31:9-16

To begin the psalm, the Choir sings the Refrain and all repeat. Thereafter, the Choir sings the psalm and the Congregation sings the Refrain as indicated.



<sup>9</sup>Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow,

and also my throat and my belly.

<sup>10</sup>For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction,

and my bones are consumed.

<sup>11</sup>I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to | my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

<sup>12</sup>Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;

I am as useless as a broken pot. **REFRAIN** 

<sup>13</sup>For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup>But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord.

I have said, "You are my God.

<sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand;

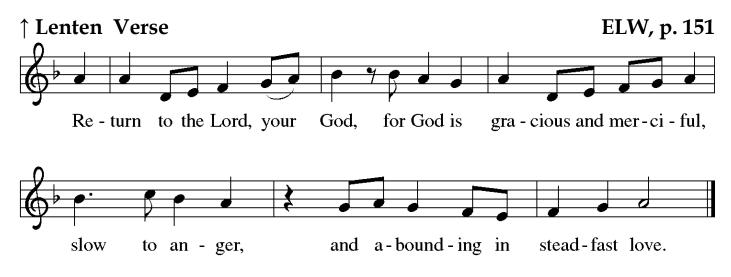
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,

- and from those who persecute me.
- <sup>16</sup>Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love." **REFRAIN**

## Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

- A: Word of God, Word of life.
- **G**: Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel (Please remain seated)

#### Matthew 27:11-54

**P**: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-seventh chapter.

### **G**: Glory to you, O Lord.

Following the reading

- **P**: The Gospel of the Lord.
- **G**: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Children's Sermon** 

**†** Hymn of the Day

#### Pastor Dan Peterson

Were You There ELW, Hymn 353

#### **†** Nicene Creed

**Q**: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Nicene Creed**, which we profess on Festival Days, sought to defend the divinity of Christ against those who viewed him as a finite being who, now less than God, could not save humanity from sin and death.

In more contemporary language, we might say that Jesus enjoyed perfect communion with the divine presence that dwelled in him and fills all things, a communion he maintained even to the point of death on the cross. -Pastor Dan

**Prayers of the Church** (please be seated or kneel)

- A: ... Lord, in your mercy,
- **G**: hear our prayer.

## **†** Sharing of Peace

**P**: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**G**: And also with you.

#### Holy Communion -

All baptized Christians who seek a taste of the new and forgiven life in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament. We confess and believe that Christ, who fills all things, come to us in a special way through the Sacrament of Bread and Wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ's risen presence among us.

The ministration of the Sacrament is given in two ways:

#### In the pew:

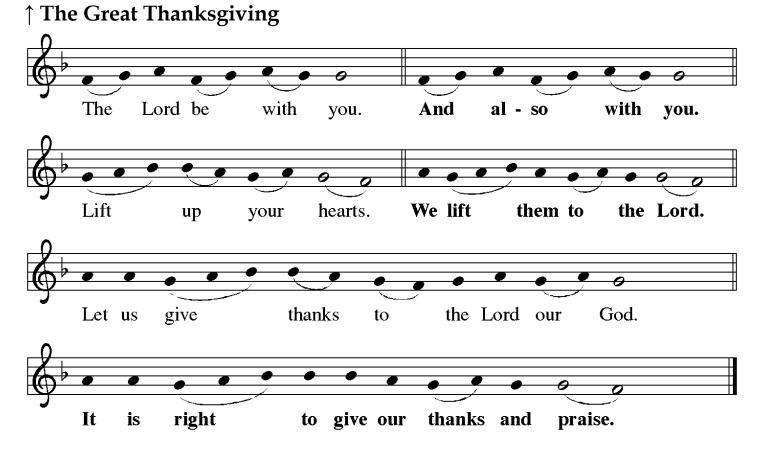
You may commune in the pews with individual elements. These are available in the narthex as you enter.

When invited to commune, peel off the bottom tab to eat the bread; peel off the top tab to drink the wine. The waste can go in the paper bag found in each pew.

#### By intinction:

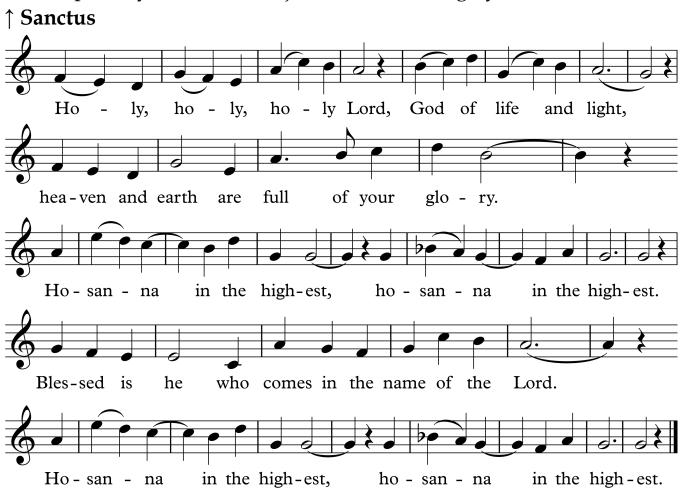
When prompted by the ushers, come down the center aisle to kneel at the railing; please sanitize your hands.

Receive a wafer in your hands. Dip it in a chalice, either wine or grape juice, before partaking. Use the outside aisle to return to your seat.



**P**: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .

... praise your name and join their unending hymn:



# **† Words of Institution**

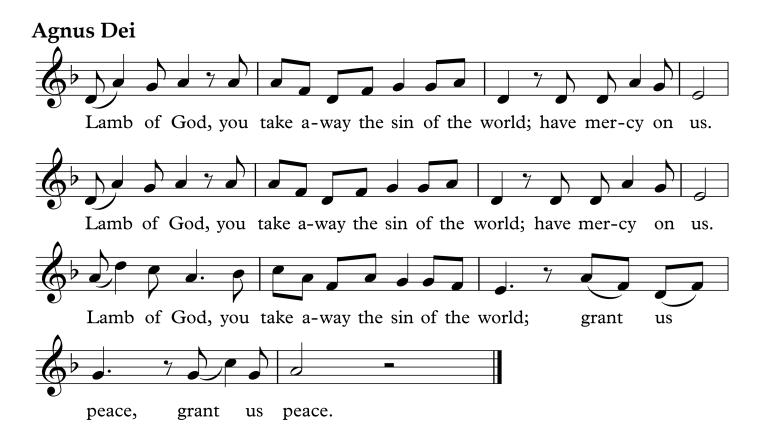
# ↑ Lord's Prayer

**P**: Lord, inspire us to work toward your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

# **†** Invitation to the Table

Christ is among us.Receive the bread of life.



# **Distribution Hymn**

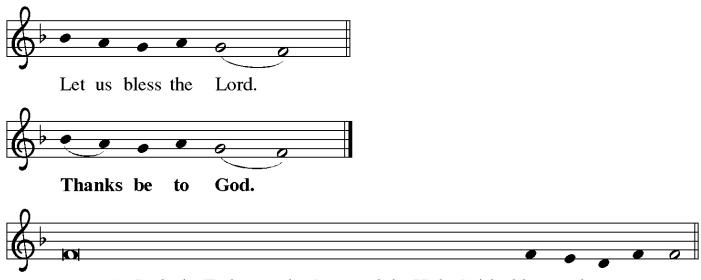
### What Wondrous Love Is This ELW, Hymn 666

## **Post Communion Prayer**

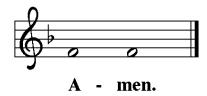
- We give you thanks, gracious God, for the love you show us in this meal.
   Send us to bring good news to a hurting world, and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.
- **G**: Amen.

#### Announcements

## ↑ Benediction



Eternal God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre-serve you.



# ↑ Sending Hymn

O Love, How Deep ELW, Hymn 322

## $\uparrow$ Dismissal

- **A**: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **G**: Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Chorale prelude on HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN (ELW 351) Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

# About today's music

In recent years Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday. Especially for those who can't attend a Good Friday service, today's themes relating to the crucifixion help us remember the events of Holy Week between the triumphal entry of Palm Sunday and the celebration of Easter. This morning's postlude by Johannes Brahms (1833–1897) is an aural link to our Good Friday observance here at QALC, when it will join three additional chorale preludes on HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN ("O Sacred Head, Now Wounded," ELW 351). Brahms's setting of the chorale will join settings of the melody by J. S. Bach (1685–1750); by the uncle of Bach's first wife, Johann Christoph Bach (1642–1703); and a modern setting by American organist and composer Pamela Decker (b. 1955). These four brief, meditative pieces will be heard in alternation with the reading of the Passion according to John and the singing of the hymn as we journey to the foot of the cross. — *Cantor Kyle* 

# ANNOUNCEMENTS — APRIL 02, 2023

**WELCOME!** Please fill out a CONNECT card if you are visiting us today, if you wish to receive our emails or newsletter, or if you wish the pastor to contact you. PRAY cards may be used for prayer requests. Place cards in the offering plate as you leave.

**FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX** – The bouquet is provided today by Bill and Joan Kavanaugh, in honor of their wedding anniversary, and with praise to the triune God!

**OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES** after the service with fellowship. Please stay for coffee and conversation. Thanks to Joan Kavanaugh for hosting.

**VANNADY KEO,** our new Children & Youth Ministry Coordinator, will be present between services and after 10:30 worship today. Please greet him and introduce yourself. We are delighted to welcome him into our ministry.

**THE PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND,** which is used to assist people in urgent need of food, shelter, or other financial assistance, is very much in need of replenishment. Please give to this fund if you are able. Write checks to "Queen Anne Lutheran," with "for P.D.F." on the memo line.

## GOOD FRIDAY, April 7 • 7:30 PM

Our Good Friday worship service invites us into contemplation of the crucifixion through word, song, and silence. Please join us as we ponder together the cross and its meaning for us.

### EASTER: Feast of the Resurrection Sunday, April 9 • 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

- Special music, organ, brass and choir help celebrate the joy of Easter
- Bring flowers to add to our Easter Floral Cross
- **9:00** AM Easter Breakfast: Join us in the Fellowship Hall between services for breakfast with special activities for kids and youth

## Can you help with Easter Breakfast?

Please let us know if you can help set up, provide a dish, or clean up our Easter Breakfast, which will be between services on Easter, from 9 to 10 AM. **Sign up in the narthex**, or contact Mark Dibble at <u>markedibble@msn.com</u> if you are able to help.

### Can you help deliver Easter Lilies this week?

Lilies have arrived! **Please contact Barb** at <u>admin@queenannelutheran.org</u> in the church office if you are able to make a delivery this week to any of our 17 households in need of a visit; we are still looking for a few more volunteers.

### Last Chance to donate Lilies

Pick up the form in the narthex to donate a Lily. Donors will be listed in the Easter bulletin along with those loved ones they wish to remember with the gift. Some donated plants will be given as gifts to isolated members; extra lilies will be used to decorate for Easter, and donors who like may take one home after Easter worship.

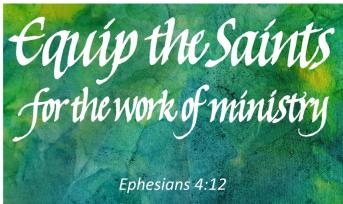
#### **OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK**

**Main Office (Barb Bash):** The office will be open Tuesday–Friday, 9:00–5:30 **Cantor Kyle** is in on Wednesdays and Thursday afternoon and evenings.

**Pastor Dan** is available Tuesday through Thursday and Saturdays. Feel free to contact

him if you wish to make an appointment by email at pastor@queenannelutheran.org. If an immediate response is needed, text Pastor Dan at 253.230.9695.

#### NW WASHINGTON SYNOD GATHERINGS: CAN YOU ATTEND?



Pastor Dan will attend the May 13 Gathering. We would like to have others from our congregation attend! Contact Pastor Dan or the office if you are able; we will sign you up.

Saturday, May 13 at Salem Lutheran Church, Mount Vernon OR

Saturday, May 20 at Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, Bellevue

8:30am – 4pm each Saturday

\$40/person-QALC can cover costs

- Every three years, our synod hosts synod-wide gatherings in lieu of a regular synod assembly
- Worship, fellowship, conversations, learning & lunch
- Each Saturday is nearly identical in offerings Each participant will choose three forums to attend from 21 options

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Sunday, April 2</u>	
Palm Sunday	
Worship	8:00 AM
Forum (Conf. Rm or Zoom)	9:00 AM
Worship	10:30 Am
Monday	
Food Addicts in Recovery (FH)	7:00 pm
Tuesday	
Executive Committee (Zoom)	7:00 pm
Wednesday	
Sewing & Service (downstairs)	10:00 AM
Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)	7:00 pm
AA Counterbalance (FH)	8:00 pm
<u>Friday, April 7</u>	
Good Friday	
Worship	7:30 pm
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Set up for Easter Breakfast	9 AM
Alanon / Alateen ( <i>upstairs</i> )	10:30 AM
AA Shanty Trudgers (upstairs)	7:00 pm
<u>Sunday, April 9</u>	
Easter Sunday	
Worship	8:00 AM
Easter Breakfast (FH)	9:00 AM
Worship	10:30 AM