



#### **Palm Sunday**

March 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### The Season

The season of Lent leads the Church on a forty-day journey of repentance and prayer, of remembrance and renewal of our baptism. God calls to mankind: Return to the Lord!

#### The Sunday

We have come to Holy Week. It begins with Jesus humbly riding a donkey colt straight into the hands of his enemies. As the week progresses, it will appear that Christ's adversaries are the ones in a position of power and Jesus is in a position of weakness. Yet what Christ does this holy week—setting his divine strength aside, being passive in the face of death—would change the world. To do what Christ did for us and our salvation took real strength.

#### The Service

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar in which we joyfully receive Christ's body and blood, in, with, and under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament we also give public confession of our complete unity in the Christian faith. We invite communicant members of St. Lucas Lutheran Church, or of another congregation in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) to commune. If you are a guest visiting with us today, please refrain from communing until you have spoken with our pastor. The congregation reads the potions in bold print.

#### **Prayer before Worship**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you, loving Lord, for cleansing me of my sins and adopting me into your family through the miracle of Holy Baptism. As I worship today, help me remember what my baptism means to me. Lead me to feel genuine sorrow for my sins and empower me to put down the sinful nature that still lives in me. Lift me up as I hear your promise of forgiveness and give me strength to live a life pleasing to you. Amen

#### **Serving in Worship**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning Organist: Coralee Henning

Vocalists: Sunday School children (Sunday, 10:30 am)

Ushers: Mike Beyer (6 pm Saturday)

Henry Schacht (8 am Sunday) Steve Wolter (10:30 am Sunday)

### **Palm Sunday Procession with Palms**

Those processing gather in a convenient location and receive palm branches or fronds. The minister may begin the service at the entry of the nave and lead the procession. In this case he invites the congregation to stand and face the entrance to the nave.

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Dear friends in Christ, during the weeks of Lent we have been preparing to commemorate our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn journey of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Savior and to gain for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We follow him in faith and praise him with joy.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us pray.

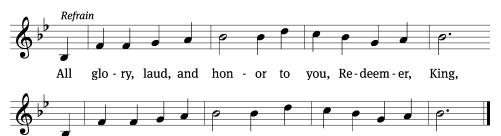
God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted "Hosanna" and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Let us go forth in peace,

in the name of the Lord.

The procession begins. During the procession, the hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" is sung.



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the King of Is rael and Da vid's roy al Son,
- 2 The com-pa-ny of an-gels is prais-ing you on high,
- 3 The peo-ple of the He-brews with palms be-fore you went;
- 4 To you be fore your pas sion they sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As you re-ceived their prais es, ac cept the prayers we bring,



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One. and we with all cre - a - tion in cho-rus make re - ply. our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent. to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise. O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, our good and gra-cious King.

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Song

"Hosanna!" St. Lucas Lutheran Sunday School (Sunday, 10:30 am)

#### The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Be seated

#### **First Reading**

Zechariah 9:9-12

The prophet Zechariah foretold a king who is both infinitely strong and perfectly humble.

9Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!See, your king comes to you,righteous and victorious,

lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken.

He will proclaim peace to the nations.

His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

 $\ensuremath{^{\mathrm{n}}}\xspace As$  for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit.

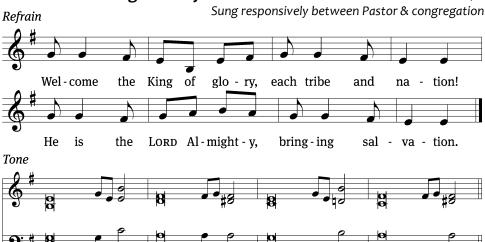
<sup>12</sup>Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Welcome the King of Glory

Psalm 24A



The earth is the LORD's, and every- / thing in it,

the world, and all who / live in it;

for he founded it / on the seas and established it on the / waters.

Who may ascend the mountain / of the LORD?

Who may stand in his / holy place?

The one who has clean hands and a / pure heart, they will receive blessing from God their / Savior. Refrain

Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you / ancient doors, that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is this King of / glory?

The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in / battle.

Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you / ancient doors, that the King of glory / may come in.

Who is he, this King of / glory?

The LORD Almighty—he is the King of / glory.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning, is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

#### **Second Reading**

Hebrews 12:1-3

Jesus demonstrated strength by enduring the cross.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup>fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup>Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand



John 12:23









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Gospel Mark 11:1–10

The almighty Son of God humbly riode into Jerusalem knowing he will soon be put to death.

<sup>1</sup>As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>3</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

<sup>4</sup>They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, <sup>5</sup>some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" <sup>6</sup>They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. <sup>7</sup>When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

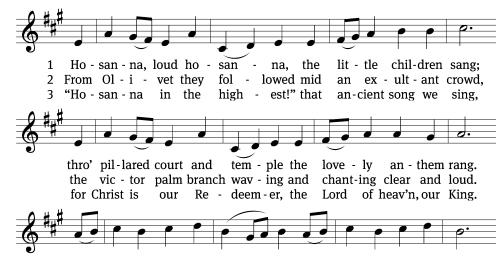
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Children's Sermon

Children may come forward to the front pew

#### Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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To Je-sus, who had blessed them, close fold-ed to his breast, The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low-ly state Oh, may we ev-er praise him with heart and life and voice



the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim-plest and the best. nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid-ding wait. and in his roy - al pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

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Sermon

Zechariah 9:9-12 See Your King Bringing Salvation

Stand

#### Nicene Creed

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 in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.

#### **Prayer of the Church**

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to free us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

We confess that without your love we are lost.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

Guard and guide those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and values as Christians.

By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

Keep in your care those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, and those victimized by war and injustice. [We pray especially for...here name the person and the cause of the petition.] Comfort all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

Watch over those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Hear us as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

**Offering** God's people offer their first and best to the Lord in response to the Lord's blessings to them. The offering is gathered in a basket in the church entrance before or after the service. If you prefer to give electronically, you may scan this graphic to access www.stlucaswels.org/donate.



### The Sacrament

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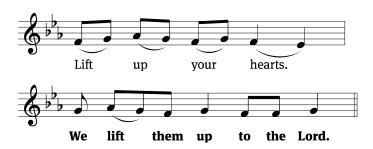
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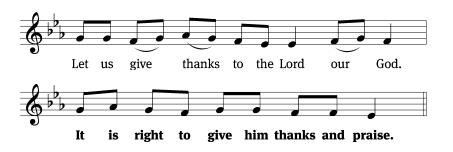
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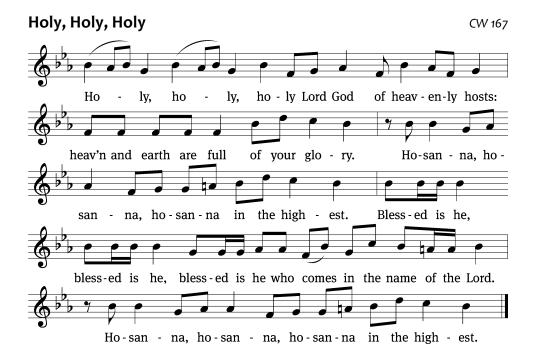
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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree, would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### **Lord's Prayer**

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.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

#### **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.** 



Be seated

#### Distribution

#### No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet



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The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go + in peace.

Amen.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

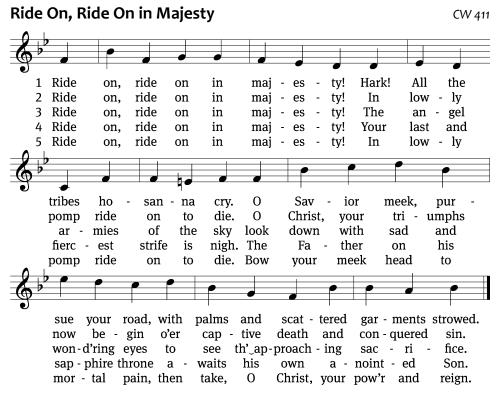
#### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



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#### **Announcements**

**Pastor Henning Out of Town:** Pastor Henning will be out of town April 1-8, and will not have phone service April 1-5. If you need pastoral care during that time, please contact Pastor Bode from Zion in Kohlsville at 262-483-0407.

#### Mr. Mark Hesse's Call Acknowledgement:

Dear St. Lucas Family,

On March 7th, 2024, I received a divine call from the Federation of Manitowoc Lutheran High School to teach in the Communication Arts and Social Studies departments. and wisdom and lead me to a decision that glorifies him and benefits his kingdom.

I appreciate all of your encouragement and prayers as I deliberate between my call here to St. Lucas and this new call to Manitowoc Lutheran High School. May our Lord bless me with his guidance

I am confident that no matter where I continue my ministry, God will bless both the ministry of St. Lucas and Manitowoc Lutheran. As God says in Isaiah 55:11,

"so is my word that goes out from my mouth:

It will not return to me empty,

but will accomplish what I desire

and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

Yours in Christ,

Mr. Mark A. Hesse

**LWMS Donation Box:** The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society has a donation box located at the back of the church. Donations are being collected for the LWMS's various World and Home mission projects. Some projects include helping to provide needed equipment for new mission churches, Gospel outreach throughout Europe, and supporting the Native American special projects currently working with 2 Apache reservations in Arizona to grow their ministry. The donations will be collected and combined with donations throughout the country at the LWMS convention in June. These missions are not fully funded by the congregational mission offerings to the WELS. Therefore, any amount that can be given is meaningful and impactful, regardless of the amount. Please consider donating to this wonderful cause to help spread God's message throughout a world that desperately needs to hear it.

**Easter Breakfast Volunteers:** We are in need of volunteers to help with various tasks including help with food prep, set up, and clean up. We will have a volunteer sign up sheet at the back of church as well as a sign up sheet to donate food items needed for the breakfast. Any help you are able to provide is greatly appreciated!

**Easter Lilies:** There are still Easter lilies left. They are available for \$15 each. The lilies will be used to decorate the church on Easter Sunday to celebrate our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who rose from the grave on that first Easter morning, and serve as a memorial those who have gone before. Order sheets are available in the back of the church and are due by Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**LeRoy Reed Memorial Golf Outing:** The 8th annual charity Golf Outing supporting Christian Life Resources is Friday, May 17, at Ironwood Golf Course, W270N6166 Moraine Drive, Sussex, WI. 9:30am registration/range and 10:30am shotgun start. Event cost is \$120 (\$400 discounted foursome) and includes lunch and buffet-style dinner. Four-person scramble format with 18 holes of golf with cart, free-range balls and other contests. Raffles and prizes too. To register, visit <a href="www.christianliferesources.com">www.christianliferesources.com</a> or call 414-376-0594.

**WELS Night at the Brewers:** Back and better than ever, WELS Night at the Brewers is returning for 2024! Save the date and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at the ballpark on **Friday, July 12** to watch the Brewers take on the Nationals. Let's pack the stands with WELS connections!

Tickets for WELS members and guests continue to receive a discount of up to 50% and are reserved together in all three seating categories. Ticket prices are \$23 (Field Outfield Box), \$17 (Loge Outfield Box) and \$10 (Terrace Infield). Individual tickets are available **NOW** and can be purchased online at **brewers.com/wels**.

MLC Job Opening: Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time Early Childhood Assistant Teacher and a part-time Men's Basketball Assistant Coach.

Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

**Crown of Life Easter Vigil:** Crown of Life Lutheran Church in Hubertus invites the members of the WELS and ELS to attend its Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, 3/30, at 7:30 p.m. The Vigil begins at sunset on Easter Eve, and anticipates the resurrection of Jesus through Scripture, song, silence, and prayer. The joyful announcement of Jesus' resurrection occurs near the end of the service, marking the transition from Lent to Easter. The service concludes with the Lord's Supper.

**Groundbreaking Service at KML**: All are invited to attend the groundbreaking service for KML's *Let's Grow Together* building project. The service will take place at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School in the PAC Auditorium at **6:15 PM on Monday, April 8**. Doors open at 6:00 PM.

**LWMS Spring Rally:** The Spring Rally of the Dodge/Washington LWMS circuit will be held at St. Matthew in Iron Ridge, WI on Saturday, April 13th from 9AM till 12:30PM. Registration starts at 8:30. Guest speaker is Juan Escobar, a Seminary student who will present on Latin American missions, Academia Christo and how a basketball camp changed his life. Come and enjoy a morning with fellowship, food and learning how our WELS continues to spread and grow around the world.

KML Family Music Fest 2024: Please join us for *A Salute to America* on Friday, April 12, from 5:00-9:00 pm. Monies raised at this event will go toward the improvement of technology within the KML Music Department. This event features elementary and high school musical performances, games, live auctions, and Science Fair projects from our Lutheran Elementary School students. Food options include a fish fry, concession items, and a dessert bar. Adult admission is \$5. Children/students get free admission. The fish dinner is \$17. Adult admission with the fish dinner is \$20.

Donations of fancy desserts for our live auction would be happily accepted! We would ask that food items be dropped off in the main office on Friday, April 12, from 12-3 pm if at all possible. Refrigerators and freezers are available if your dessert needs to be kept cold. We are also in need of desserts like cookies, bars, and pies for the dessert bar. If you would like to donate or would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Angela Hohenstein (angela.hohenstein@kmlhs.org). You can also visit <a href="www.kmlhs.org/fmf">www.kmlhs.org/fmf</a> for donation forms, volunteer signup forms, and more information.

#### **Holy Week**

March 28 — Holy Thursday 1:00 pm & 6:30 pm

March 29 — Good Friday 1:00 pm, Tenebrae (Darkness) 6:30 pm

March 31 — Easter 6:00 am Sunrise, 8:30 am & 10:30 am Festival

#### **Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Pam Jeserig – 3/24	Karen Scheunemann – 3/28	Joyce Kral - 3/31
Joshua Kertscher – 3/24	Arthur Buss – 3/29	Marilyn Pagano - 3/31
Axel Hesse – 3/28	Kolten Lauters - 3/29	Holly Seyfert – 3/31

### **CALENDAR**

Readings for March 24th - March 31st

# HOLYWEEK

# Sunday

Exodus 8:1-32 Psalm 118 Hebrews 1:1-14

Worship w/Communion 8 am Bible Study - 9:15 am Sunday School - 9:15 am Worship w/Communion 10:30 am PALM

SUNDAY

# Monday

Exodus 9:1-28 Lamentations 1:1-22 Hebrews 2:1-18

# Tuesday

Exodus 9:29-10:20 Lamentations 2:1-22 Hebrews 3:1-19

No Bible Study

# Wednesday

Exodus 10:21-11:10 Lamentations 3:1-66 Hebrews 4:1-16

No Catechism

### Thursday

Exodus 12:1-28 Lamentations 4:1-22 Hebrews 5:1-14 Psalm 31

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY

No Fuel for Moms No Bible Study

Worship w/Communion 1pm & 6:30pm K-8 singing - 1pm

# Friday

Exodus 12:29-32; 12:1-16 Lamentations 5:1-22 Hebrews 6:1-20 Pslam 22

#### GOOD FRIDAY

Worship - 1pm & 6:30pm Sixers Singers singing -1pm

### Saturday

Exodus 13:17-14:9 Hebrews 7:1-22

#### **No Service Today**

Sunday

Exodus 14:10-31 Hebrews 7:23-8:13

#### EASTER

Sunrise Service w/Communion - 6 am Easter Breakfast - 7am

Easter Breakfast - 7am 8:15am

Festival Service w/Communion -8:30am & 10:30am

### Ushers for 3/28, 3/28, & 3/31

Thu. 3/28 1 pm - Butzke
Thu. 3/28 6:30 pm - Kempf
Fri. 3/29 1 am - Schacht
Fri. 3/29 6:30 pm - Peters
Sun. 3/31 6 am - Schacht
Sun. 3/31 8:30 am - Zuehlke

Sun. 3/31 10:30 am - Strack

### Ushers for 4/6 & 4/7

**Sat. 4/6 6 pm** - Butzke **Sun. 4/7 8 am** - Stoltz **Sun. 4/7 10:30 am** - Koch

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