

Passion / Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LIVE AND WORSHIP ON THE UNCEDED TRADITION TERRITORY OF THE KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE SHARED TERRITORIES OF THE TSLEIL-WAUTUTH, KATZIE, MUSQUEAM, SQUAMISH AND STOL:LO NATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CARED FOR THIS LAND SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL AS WE SEEK TO JOURNEY TOWARDS A MEANINGFUL RECONCILIATION.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome and Announcements

Acclamation

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Processional Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Blessing of Palms

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

We praise you, O God,
for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Today he entered the holy city in triumph
and was proclaimed messiah and king

by those who spread garments and branches along his way.
Bless these branches and those who carry them.
Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,
so that, joined to his death and resurrection,
we enter into life with you;
through the same Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ.

C: Amen.

Palm Procession

Gathering Hymn ACS # 928 Pave the Way with Branches

Jesus is coming.
Pave the way with branches.
Jesus is coming. Hosanna. *Repeat*
Hosanna, Jesus is coming.
Hosanna to the Prince of peace. *Repeat*

Additional verses ad lib.:

Release for the captives . . .
Hope for the downtrod . . .
Land for the landless . . .
Debts are forgiven . . .

Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Children's Time

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

This text, the third of the four Servant Songs in Isaiah, speaks of the servant's obedience amid persecution. Though the servant has been variously understood as the prophet himself or a remnant of faithful Israel, Christians have often recognized the figure of Christ in these poems.

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 the Lord GOD 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 backward.

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?

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:9-16

Refrain: 
O God, ea-ger-ly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you.

L: Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
my eye wastes away from grief,
my soul and body also.
For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my misery,
and my bones waste away.

C: **Refrain**

L: I am the scorn of all my adversaries,
a horror to my neighbors,
an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.
I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.
For I hear the whispering of many —
terror all around! —
as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.

C: **Refrain**

L: But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my God."
My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

C: **Refrain**

Second Reading Philipians 2:5-11

Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.

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.

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.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation:



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel The Passion of Our Lord according to Luke

At various places during the reading the congregation is invited to sing # 616 Jesus, Remember Me as cued by the musician.



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.



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L: The Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day We Long to Know Peace! (Tune # 825 – You Servants of God)

"We long to know peace!" Jerusalem said
As Caesar's great troops filled people with dread.
As soldiers and armies marched in with great might,
No justice was found and no peace was in sight.

"Hosanna! God saves!" they cried to the Lord.
They called him a king and looked for his sword.
Would he fight their battles and turn things around?
Then Christ rode a creature of peace into town.

"He isn't our king!" the crowd quickly turned,
Rejecting the gift for which they had yearned.
They mocked him and killed him, yet death did not win.
Christ rose from the dead and brought God's peace again.

"We long to know peace!" O God, we still say,
Yet when Jesus calls we turn him away.
O God, may we see in this non-violent king
The peace that your offer, the life that you bring.

Tune: Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784; ("O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!") **(MIDI)**
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Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People

After each petition, the Pastor will say "God of Hope" and the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer".

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

All greet one another with a gesture of peace.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life.

Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C:

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

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 Communion

P: Here is food for the journey to sustain and strengthen us.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion is distributed

***Directions for Communion:** Any adult or child who believes that Christ is present in this meal is welcome to participate. At the Pastor's direction, you are invited to eat the wafer distributed to you in the baggie.*

Prayer After Communion

P: Blessed Jesus,
in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope
to a world in need.

C: Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Blessing

P: You are children of God
anointed with the oil of gladness
and strengthened for the journey.

Almighty God,
motherly, majestic and mighty
+ bless you this day and always.

C: **Amen**

Sending Hymn # 336 Lamb of God

Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God
I love the holy Lamb of God.
Oh, wash me in your precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love we crucified.
We laughed and scorned him as he died.
The humble king we named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. **Refrain**

I was so lost, I should have died,
But you have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God. **Refrain**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 10, 2022

(To open hyperlinks, try right-clicking your mouse while on the link and select *Open Hyperlink or Control-Click*)

Flowers have been placed on the altar in thanksgiving to Jesus whose sacrificial love is freely given to all.

Holy Week Schedule: The following is our schedule for Holy Week. All services will be both in-person and online through our regular live-stream (or through Zoom as indicated).

- **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday** – We gather at 8 am for a half hour Matins service. These services will be in-person and over Zoom only (it will not be offered through our regular live-stream). Link will be sent out.
- **Maundy Thursday** – We gather at 7 pm for worship
- **Good Friday** – We gather at 11 am for worship
- **Easter Sunday** – All are invited to drop by from 9 am on for coffee, tea and light refreshments, followed at 10:30 am by a celebration service.

CLWR Emergency Appeal for Ukraine: Your continued prayer and financial support to the urgent humanitarian needs in Ukraine is greatly appreciated. You can make a designated donation offering to the church marked "Ukraine Appeal", call 1-800-661-2597 to donate by credit card or click [here](#), or send a cheque to CLWR by mail to 600-177 Lombard Avenue, Winnipeg, BC R3B 0W5. Watch the video impact report from CLWR featuring ELCIC National Bishop Susan Johnson, click to [watch](#) or [download](#).

Calls & Statements on Hostilities in Ukraine: Links to various statements and articles are below:

Lutheran World Federation: [LWF](#) / World Council of Churches: [WCC](#) / Evangelical Lutheran Church: [ELCIC](#)

Friday Vigil for Peace: Bishop Kathy Martin has organized an ongoing prayer vigil for peace in the Ukraine. She invites us all to pause and join her on Friday evenings from 7 to 7:15, as we gather to light candles as a symbol of peace and pray for all those impacted by the invasion of Ukraine, and all suffering as a result of war and political oppression. Bring a candle to light while praying, and [join others](#) from BC and beyond over Zoom.

A Message from Bishop Susan Johnson: Bishop Susan Johnson shares a short video message of hope during these anxious times in which we are living in now. View it [here](#).

Easter Initiative to Highlight Sacredness of Jerusalem as well as Obstacles to Peace: An Easter Initiative by the [World Council of Churches Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel \(WCC-EAPPI\)](#) sets out to connect the sacredness of Jerusalem with what is sacred to us as human beings: home, worship, family, identity, human dignity and life, and solidarity. Faith communities are invited to use the [biblical reflection, prayer, and advocacy materials](#) that highlight present-day experiences in Jerusalem. While Christians prepare to celebrate Easter, high holidays for Muslims and Jews - Ramadan and Pessach - are also being celebrated at the same time period in 2022. For full information, please [click here](#).

MNO Presents Faith in Action Workshop - Discerning Our Gifts for Climate Action: The MNO Synod is hosting a Faith in Action workshop on April 23 from 9:30-noon (CDT), "Discerning Our Gifts for Climate Action." Led by Karri Munn-Venn (senior policy analyst for Citizens for Public Justice), this workshop will include a time of learning followed by small group discussion for practical application as we reflect on our call to work for justice and care for creation. There's no cost to attend this workshop but pre-registration is required (<https://bit.ly/3IX2kRG>). Contact the MNO Synod office with questions.

Living our Faith: Following National Bishop Susan Johnson's suggestion to emphasis worship this year as we journey on with **Living our Faith** - as together we **pray, read, worship and love** (www.elcic.ca/LivingOurFaith), Would **you** be willing to share with us a tip, suggestion, or inspiration on how you make worship a daily practice, how you fit devotions into your life and/or how you actively seek to deepen your devotional practice? We are looking for just a sentence or two (40-60 words) and we welcome resource suggestions as well. [To share your thoughts and ideas now, please fill out this quick and easy form here.](#)

See the latest of these bi-weekly suggestions/inspirations on page 13, this one by Rev. Rachel Dart.

Regent College Summer Series – Browse [summer courses](#) and register now. Featured courses are [Come Holy Spirit: The Paraclete in Creation, Church and Believer](#) / [How Long, O God? Old Testament Suffering and Life with God](#) / [Seasons of Renewal](#) with Steve Bell and Malcolm Guite

CREATION CARE.

- **Green Leadership Workshop series:** Three workshops out of Luther Seminary in Minneapolis are designed to help you lead an environmental stewardship, climate hope and water justice life! [Register now](#) for one or all three of these workshops. Each workshop is 2 hours in length and there is a fee to register.

Workshop 1: Monday, April 25, 6-8 pm CST: Ecotheology & Energy

- **Invitation to join CJAG:** The BC Synod Climate Justice Action Group invites you to join them as plan strategies to reduce our carbon footprint through travel, achieve zero waste whenever we gather or have conventions throughout the Synod, and to assist all parts of the BC Synod to eliminate single use plastics in our ministries. Contact GSLC member Louis Giguere If you are interested in more information, or would like to join our group <louislouisgiguere@gmail.com>

SOCIAL JUSTICE RESOURCES

- **Our Voice is Our Power:** [Luther's Centre for Earth Consciousness and Gender Justice](#) invites you to view the inspiring presentation [Our Voice is Our Power: Stories of Survival, Community Building and Social Change](#). The centre was among sponsors of the presentation, which was created by Wilfrid Laurier University's program in Women and Gender Studies. Featured speakers include musicians Cheryl Lescom and Chuckee Zehr; folk artist Janice Jo Lee; musical artist Joni NehRita; and Indigenous spoken word artist Kahsenniyo Williams.
- ***The UN Declaration and Sustainable Development: Indigenous Peoples' Human Rights & Ecological Knowledge:*** The [Coalition for the Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#) together with [The University of British Columbia](#) (UBC), and [Canadian Friends Service Committee](#) (CFSC Quakers) are hosting an expert symposium, that will focus on the relationship between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples which are interconnected and interdependent. This online event will take place on April 6-7, 2022. For more information and to register to watch this free livestreamed event, please [click here](#).
- **Korea Peace Appeal Ten Thousand Signatures Campaign:** We are invited to endorse this call for peace initiated by the [National Council of Churches in Korea](#) by signing a petition campaign to declare "70 years is enough. It's time to end the Korean War." The goal is for 100,000 signatures worldwide, including 10,000 in Canada. On March 15, 2022, 690 Canadian signatures had been added since the campaign was launched in January. A video and a link for signing can be found when you [click here](#).

RECONCILING RELATIONSHIPS

- **#WelcomeToCanada Interfaith Statement:** On behalf of the ELCIC, Bishop Susan Johnson has endorsed the **#WelcomeToCanada interfaith statement** calling on Canada to end human rights violations in immigration detentions in Canada. Despite Canada's reputation as a multicultural country that welcomes

refugees, the experience of some people seeking safety or a better life in this nation tells a different story. To learn more and add your signatory, please [click here](#).

PACIFIC JUBILEE OFFERINGS

- **The Possibility of Age: Discover Aging as a Spiritual Path:** For more information click [here](#).
- **Summer 2022 Silent Retreat: July 3-8 in Nanaimo, BC:** For more information click [here](#).

This Week At Church (Note 1)

This Sunday Bible study at 9 am
Worship Service with Holy Communion live-streamed at 10:30 am –
Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday (View [here](#) for GSLC’s YouTube Channel)
Online Sunday School at 1:30 pm

Monday..... Holy Week Morning Matins Service at 8 am both in-person and on Zoom

Tuesday..... Holy Week Morning Matins Service at 8 am both in-person and on over Zoom

Wednesday.... Holy Week Morning Matins Service at 8 am both in-person and on over Zoom
Lectio Divina Prayer Gathering at 1 pm **CANCELLED**

Thursday..... Maundy Thursday Service at 7 pm

Friday..... Worship Service with Holy Communion live-streamed at 11 am –
Good Friday (View [here](#) for GSLC’s YouTube Channel)

Next Sunday... Bible study at 9 am **CANCELLED**
In-person “Food and Fellowship” at 9 am
Worship Service with Holy Communion live-streamed at 10:30 am –
Easter Sunday (View [here](#) for GSLC’s YouTube Channel)

Note 1: Most events are pre-recorded or ZOOM events. Links to these events will be sent out weekly. Contact the office if you do not receive these email links.

Last Week at Church

Financial information from April 3, 2022:

Total Offerings	\$ 7,451.02
- General Offering	\$ 6,439.27
- Designated Gifts	\$ 991.75
- Project Contingency	\$ 20.00

Living Our Faith series focus on WORSHIP Another suggestion for deepening our worship experience when the community gathers, and to deepen our individual practice of daily devotion is...

Living our **FAITH**
PRAY READ WORSHIP LOVE

I start my day with a lit candle on my desk, which helps me focus on asking God's presence with me as I plan my daily tasks.



For each activity I pray, “not my will but thine be done”. This attitude opens my heart to the unexpected, and brings peace and gratitude throughout the day.

- Rev. Rachel Dart



Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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General Office Hours				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by.



Good Shepherd
Website

