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Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Palm Sunday

Date: April 9, 2006

† THE ORDER OF WORSHIP †

Hymn:..... TLH 161: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Liturgy: WS, p. 12 ff.

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy:



P: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest:



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shipped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray ...

C: [Spoken] Amen.

First Reading: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Second Reading: *Mark 11:1-10*



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Confession of Faith: *The Apostolic Creed*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

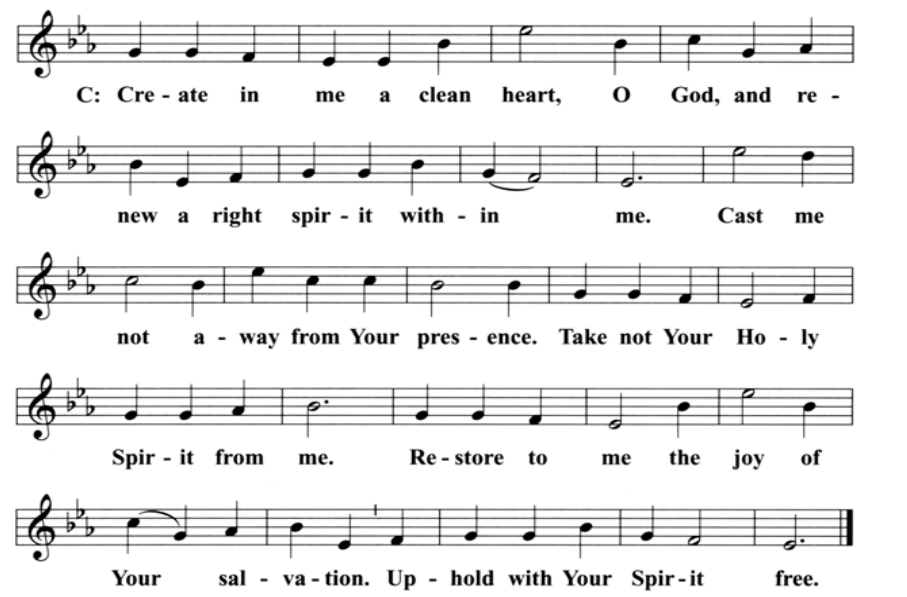
Children: *Lord, Be My Rock; Children of the Heavenly Father*

Sermon: *Zechariah 9:9-10*

(9) "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He *is* just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey. (10) I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; The battle bow shall be cut off. He shall speak peace to the nations; His dominion *shall be* from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.'" (NKJV)

The King Truly With Power

Create in Me:



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Children: *This Is the Feast*

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet



1. No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet With
 2. And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer; With
 3. What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn; The
 4. Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake The



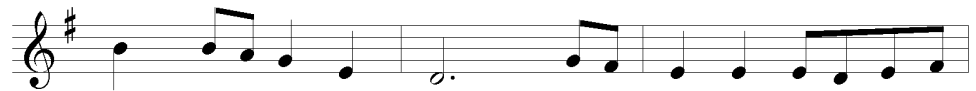
ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's
 palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat - "The King of glo - ry comes!" To
 cross draws near - The King of glo - ry's throne. A -
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown. The
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns. Ho -



greet what pomp of king - ly pride No
 stride a colt He pass - es by As
 sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries, The
 san - na to the Sav - ior's name Till



bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing
 loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y
 streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
 heav - en's raft - ers ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

Offering, Prayers, and Lord's Prayer:

C: 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.

Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: [♪] Amen. Amen. Amen.

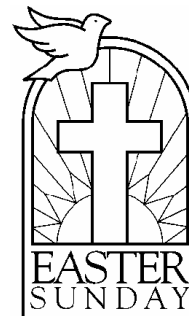
Hymn:..... TLH 341, st. 1, 5: *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Silent Prayer:

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We appreciate the opportunity to share God's Word with you today. Please come again! Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures and our doctrinal position, please speak with Pastor Hein. He would be delighted to visit with you!

† THE ANNOUNCEMENTS †

◆ **Good Friday:** During this season in which we contemplate the profound love of our Savior toward sinners, remember to respond in worship. Our Holy Week continues this week with a special service on Good Friday (Apr. 14). This service will continue our Lenten theme: "Lenten Meteorological Marvels," focusing on darkness. The service will focus on meditative readings and hymns.



- ◆ **Easter:** Next Sunday there will be two worship services at 7:00 am and 10:00 am. Between them our members and friends are invited to the festive Easter breakfast. This will begin around 8:15 am. Final preparations for the Easter breakfast may be made by consulting the sign-up sheet by the guest book.
- ◆ **Easter Lilies:** Those desiring to donate a lily for the sanctuary for Easter may sign up on the list for that purpose.
- ◆ **Among Us:** The flowers on the altar are in honor of Ed and Verona Lentz's 45th Wedding Anniversary.

◆ **Rough Rider Camp:** Our Savior's in Jamestown, ND, is sponsoring the Roughrider camp this summer, June 25-30. The camp is limited to 80 campers and we are filling the camp on a first-come first-serve basis. Documents regarding the camp and camp registration are found by the guest book.



◆ **From ILC:** At Immanuel Lutheran College there is an excellent opportunity to use your talents, your time, and your energy to serve the children of God. The young men of Immanuel are in need of a dormitory supervisor. Here is the opportunity for a mature, sober-minded, spiritually solid man to be a very positive influence on the future leaders of our church. ---- If you are interested, please speak to your pastor or contact President John K. Pfeiffer, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701 [e-mail: john.pfeiffer@ilc.edu; Phone: (715) 836-6621; Fax: (715) 836-6634].

◆ **Invitation:** Our Savior's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jamestown, ND, will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary on Sun., August 6, 2006. All are welcome to join in the celebration. The day's schedule of activities is as follows:

- ★ Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
- ★ Potluck Fellowship Meal to Follow Worship Service
- ★ Anniversary Service, 2 p.m. (Pastor Paul Fleischer Preaching)
- ★ Special 75th Anniversary Presentation, 3:30 p.m.

Any guests who are interested in housing/lodging arrangements, please contact our housing coordinator, Phyllis Schuler (701-952-1221). Special rates are available at the Jamestown Quality Inn over the internet and further group discounts may become available later through a member of Our Savior's who is an employee of Quality Inn. If you plan to make reservations at the Jamestown Quality Inn, specify that you are part of a "CLC Group" to ensure that you receive any additional group discounts that may become available.

◆ **CLC News:** The ILC Seminary vicar assignments for next Fall are as follows: Neal Radichel (Messiah, Eau Claire, WI); Chad Seybt (Marquette, MI); Michael Gurath (Markesan, WI); Scott Schiermeister (Tacoma, WA) and Aaron Ude (Watertown-Hidewood, SD).

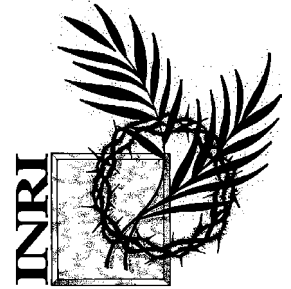
◆ **Sunday School Memory Work:** Easter Recitation

Last Week's Stats: Apr. 2, 2006 B.Cl.: ? S.S.: ? Sun.: 105 Wed: 66

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	2,956.25	CLC:	904.00
Wed. Offering	Grace:	856.80	CLC:	182.00
<i>Weekly Need:</i>	<i>Grace:</i>	<i>2,970.00</i>	<i>CLC:</i>	<i>850.00</i>
<i>-Under / +Over:</i>	<i>Grace:</i>	<i>+843.05</i>	<i>CLC:</i>	<i>+236.00</i>
Year-to-Date Offering::	Grace:	43,857.56	CLC:	12,960.00
<i>Year-to-Date Need:</i>	<i>Grace:</i>	<i>41,580.00</i>	<i>CLC:</i>	<i>11,900.00</i>
<i>Year-to-Date (+/-)</i>	<i>Grace:</i>	<i>+2,277.56</i>	<i>CLC:</i>	<i>+1,060.00</i>
Other Offerings:	Living Faith:	11.00	Tuition:	20.00
GLC Other: 324.00	MDF:	20.00	Kinship:	10.00
ILC Student Aid.: 15.00	ILC Bldg.	19.00	IIF: 12.00	CEF: 10.00

PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH (OR HEAR):

Many years ago someone wrote, “Much of our religion today is mere curiosity. Many attend church with the same attitude they would take to the theater.” As we celebrate Palm Sunday we are struck by the number of people who went out to meet the Savior as He came in lowliness into Jerusalem on this day, only 4 days before many of the same people – Scripture does not tell us how many – stood with the crowd and shouted, “Crucify Him.”



We may be very uncomfortable in confessing our sin in this regard. But what are we saying when after we have worshiped our Lord, praised Him for His grace, confessed His holy name, and heard His holy Word we conveniently go on living life as though we never heard the Word? Auditors in a class are in the class to hear the instruction. They are not required to perform – take the test. As Christ believers we surely are expected to be more than auditors in our relationship to God’s Word. The Lord wrote through the apostle James, “But be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves “ (James 1:22). Of those who do no more than audit the Word the prophet Ezekiel said, “Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against (about) thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD. And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as my people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they show much love, but their heart goes after their covetousness. And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not” (33: 30 –32). God’s blessing falls on those who not only hear, but do. “Therefore whosoever hears these sayings of mine, and does them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock” (Matthew 7:24-25).

Daily we must struggle against the flesh. As with the disciples in Gethsemane, our spirit is willing, but our flesh is weak. For our lack of implementing in our life what we are taught in the Word, we daily seek the forgiveness of our God. He is pleased for Jesus' sake to forgive us our sins. Now it is our privilege as the redeemed of God called into the family of God to praise Him and thank Him, and then also to confess Him in word and deed outside the confines of the church building. Further, as the Lord has loved us with an everlasting love, it is our privilege and responsibility to love one another as He has loved us. As children who have "died to the flesh" and who have been released from the domination of the flesh, it will be our desire to put off the works of the flesh – the deceit, immorality, the selfishness and pride that drives a wedge between God and us. In short, we want to live our faith in every aspect of our Christian life. The Christian life is more than avoiding the things we ought not do. Furthermore, as James (James 2:18) encourages us to show our faith by our works it is the Christ believer's sincere desire to show our salvation faith to the glory of our Lord in the things we do.



Within the church family, we all want to assume our responsibility. None of us whether we live in proximity to our congregation or at a distance want to adopt the attitude of a "free ride." If we practice what we preach (and hear) we will gladly hear and learn the Word, we will pray for the kingdom work, as well as for one another, we will contribute to the maintenance of the congregation, and above all we will stand in Truth of God's Word, and confess the name of our Lord Jesus.

If we meet the Lord when He comes to us in His Word, we will want to confess Him and stand with Him when the entire world rejects Him. As we stand in the truth we can make no bolder confession than to practice what we preach (and hear)! This is hardly a unique concept. It is one however that in the church and in society we seem to be losing. Christianity is not a spectator sport! It is a living, vibrant expression of who we are. As our Savior lives, may we practice what we preach (and hear)!

Written by Pastor Daniel Fleischer (4/9/2006)

CLC Email Devotion

April 8, 2006

*Hosanna
in the
Highest*

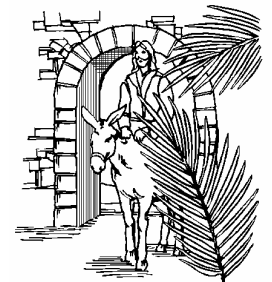
John 12:12-13 The next day a great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!"

PALMS OF PROCLAMATION

The custom of waving palm branches in someone's presence was a middle eastern one that was reserved for kings and other very important people. The palms were a sign of victory and so great military leaders and high government officials would be welcomed with them. They would not normally have been used for a 33 year old coming into town riding a donkey, but on the Sunday before His death, Jesus was welcomed like royalty.

The palm branches were not really mistaken, were they? They proclaimed Him a king, and He was a king. He was the King of Israel. Yet He was not a King in the manner of David or Solomon. He did not have a royal palace, but rather had no earthly home to call His own. He did not win victory after victory on the battlefields of Palestine. In fact, the battles He fought were not with swords or clubs at all, but they were battles against the evils of the spiritual realms fought with the sword of the Spirit, the word of God.

Jesus' focus is on making our souls healthy. He has come to destroy the works of the devil and prepare the path to heaven through the forgiveness of our sins. He is not a "bread king" and we should not look to Him merely as such, but He is a King who provides for His subjects far beyond the needs of this life -- even into all eternity!



"King of heaven, thou art welcome,
Let e'en us thy Zion be!
Come inside,
Thou hast won our hearts completely"

(Chorus from Cantata 182, J.S. Bach).

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: **Janelle Hein** *Elder:* **Al Rosendahl**
Ushers: **Jeff Radichel; Gerald Anderson; Dan Degnan; Matt Dick; Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow; Andrew Rosendahl**
Counting Team 3: **Don Auel; Brian Eichstadt; Jack Kirkham; Benno Sydow; Ole Olmanson**
Hospitality Team 6: **Pat & Dawn Paplow; Mike & Pat Dick; Frank & Ann Radichel**
Church Cleaners: **M. Dick** *School:* **Hein**

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: **Jeff Radichel; Gerald Anderson; Dan Degnan; Matt Dick; Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow; Andrew Rosendahl**
Counting Team 4: **Paul Lentz; Al Rosendahl; Dave Rust; Lynn Sandhoefner; Jeff Radichel**
Hospitality: **NONE – Easter Breakfast**
Church Cleaners: **Kitzman**

† OUR SCHEDULE †

Today: 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service (Palm Sunday)
11:00 am – Hospitality
11:15 am – Boards; 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Wed., Apr. 12: 2:30 pm – Chiquetines (Little One's Story Hour)
4:00-5:45 pm – Catechism for Public School Children

Apr. 13-17: School Easter Vacation

Fri., Apr. 14: 7:00 pm – Good Friday Service w/ Lord's Supper

Sun., Apr. 16: 7:00 am – Easter Sunrise Service
8:15-9:45 am – Easter Breakfast (No Bible Cl. & Sun. School)
10:00 am – Easter Festival Service

Tue., Apr. 18: School Resumes

Fri., Apr. 21: No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences
7:00 pm – CEA Meeting

Apr. 21-23: CLC Women's Retreat (Trego, WI)

Sun., Apr. 23: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship Service (Easter 2)
11:00 am – Hospitality
11:30 am – Quarterly Voters Meeting

Fri., Apr. 28: ILC High School Visitors Day & Musical

Sat., Apr. 29: Work Day at Grace