

# **Palm Sunday**

## **Sunday, March 28**



## **Faith Lutheran Church**

### *Mission Statement*

*“We are building a welcoming, nurturing faith community  
that is guided by Jesus and shares the Gospel.”*

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## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***GATHERING: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.***

## **CENTERING MOMENT**

*We prepare our hearts and minds for worship.*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;  
we will travel through betrayal and death,  
cradling hope deep in our hearts.**

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,  
for he is the life we long for,  
he is the Word who sustains us.

**We wave palm branches in anticipation,  
we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.**

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:  
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

**Hosanna! Hosanna!**

**Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.**

## **VIDEO PALM PROCESSION**

## **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the keeper of the covenant,  
the source of steadfast love,  
our rock and our redeemer.

**Amen.**

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God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Fountain of living water,

**pour out your mercy over us.**

**Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.**

**Rebuild what we have ruined  
and mend what we have torn.**

**Wash us in your cleansing flood.**

**Make us alive in the Spirit**

**to follow in the way of Jesus,**

**as healers and restorers of the world you so love.**

**Amen.**

Beloved, God's word never fails.

The promise rests on grace:

by the saving love of Jesus Christ,

the wisdom and power of God,

your sins are ✝ forgiven, and God remembers them no more.

Journey in the way of Jesus.

**Amen.**

***MEAL: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.***

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

*Those joining us online are invited to share in the meal using bread and wine or juice.*

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

***WORD: God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.***

### **READING: Philippians 2:5-11**

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.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON / GOSPEL READING: Mark 11:1-11**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## **OFFERING MOMENT**

***SENDING: God blesses us and sends us into the world to  
love and serve our neighbors.***

## **SENDING HYMN: ELW 264 “Prepare the Royal Highway”**

- 1 Prepare the royal highway;  
the King of kings is near!  
Let ev'ry hill and valley  
a level road appear!  
Then greet the King of glory,  
foretold in sacred story:

### ***Refrain***

Hosanna to the Lord,  
for he fulfills God's word!

- 2 God's people, see him coming:  
your own eternal king!  
Palm branches strew before him!  
Spread garments! Shout and sing!  
God's promise will not fail you!  
No more shall doubt assail you! *Refrain*

- 3 Then fling the gates wide open  
to greet your promised king!  
Your king, yet ev'ry nation  
its tribute too may bring.  
All lands will bow before him;  
their voices join your singing: *Refrain*
- 4 His is no earthly kingdom;  
it comes from heav'n above.  
His rule is peace and freedom  
and justice, truth, and love.  
So let your praise be sounding  
for kindness so abounding: *Refrain*

## **BLESSING**

You are what God made you to be:  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
chosen as holy and beloved,  
freed to serve your neighbor.  
God bless you ✝ that you may be a blessing,  
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.  
**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.  
**Thanks be to God.**

<u>Message:</u>	Pastor Sylvia
<u>Liturgy:</u>	Pastor Derek
<u>Musician:</u>	Janine Johannes
<u>Ushers :</u>	8:30 - Joe & Hannah Grotsun, John Harwood & Larry Hill 11:00 - John & Gage Wittenberg, & Patty Rath

## **Stewardship Snippet - March 28, 2021 ~Palm Sunday, Mark 14:1-15**

*A woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. Mary did not announce what she was about to do, she did not explain it, nor did she describe it. She just did it. She was criticized and scolded but Jesus gave her the highest compliment: "She has done a beautiful thing to me; she has done what she could." God expects no more from us than what we can do, done with simple love and devotion to Jesus.*

*Source: Faith Simonieg, Assistant to the Bishop for Stewardship and Generosity*

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**Thank you** for your gifts of \$11,076 in general fund offerings for last week.

The Altar Guild will be selling **Easter flowers** for \$15 each in the Gathering Place on Sunday, March 21 and 28th after Worship. The office can also be contacted to place your order.

**Tuition scholarship:** All students who are members of Faith Lutheran Church and are planning to attend an ELCA college are eligible to apply for a tuition scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year. The deadline is April 5. Application forms are available at the Concierge Table and on the FLC website.

**Just a reminder that we still are collecting Dan's receipts.** The receipt bucket is in the entryway, so please drop them off at the Church the next time you stop by! *Thank you.*

**Looking for ways to serve God and neighbor during this time?** Check out our new "Serve" page on our website [faithbismarck.com/serve](http://faithbismarck.com/serve) to learn how you can respond to needs from our partner ministries and the wider community. *Thank you for the many ways you are serving as the church in the world in these days!*

You can **continue to give** to FLC's mission and ministry via mail: (1402 E Ave C, Bismarck, ND 58501), directly through your bank's bill pay feature, electronically through our website, or by using the Give+ app. If you do not already give, please consider committing to a sustaining gift of \$5 or \$10 a month as we continue to share in ministry together.



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# 2021 Summer Camp Programs



⇒ Camp of the Cross Ministries offers camps for children and youth that are entering grades 2 through 12!

⇒ CCM offers on-site and off-site adventure camps! & Family camps!

⇒ CCM offers 2 nights or 5 nights options!

⇒ Do you love CCM so much that you want to go twice? Receive half off registration for your second week!

**Early Bird Registration Deadlines**

**1/2 price before Christmas Eve!!**

**February 1, 2021**

**April 1, 2021**

Check out the amounts for each week on our website!

**FEATURED CAMPS**

**Voyagers (entering grades 2-3)**

- 3 days/2 nights at camp exploring with Bible study, games, campfires and much more!
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**Homesteaders (entering grades 4-5)**

- *Specialty Camps*– fishing, art & in-tents
- *Christmas in July*
- *Mini Week (3 days, 2 nights)*

**Prairie Dwellers (entering grades 6-7)**

- *Specialty Camps*
- *Trekkers Canoeing Week*

**Pathfinders (entering grades 8-9)**

- *Specialty Camps*
- *Pathfinders Week*
- *Trekkers Canoe Week*
- *North Country Backpacking*
- *Christmas in July*

**Senior High (entering grades 10-12)**

- *Trekkers*
- *North Country Backpacking*

**Camps for Families (check them out!)**



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## REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

# www.campofthecross.com

## AT A GLANCE...

### Sunday, March 28

8:30 Worship\*  
11:00 Worship\*  
12:00-2:00 ELCA Easter Egg  
Story Hunt

*\*Starts at Lord of Life Lutheran  
Church.*

### Monday, March 29

6:30 Cub Scouts  
7:00 AA

### Tuesday, March 30

7:00 Scouts

### Wednesday, March 31

NO CHURCH SCHOOL

### Maundy Thursday, April 1

9:00 Esther Circle  
9:00 Men of Faith  
1:30 Mary Martha Circle  
7:00 Maundy Thursday Worship\*

### Friday, April 2

OFFICE CLOSED  
12:00 Good Friday Worship\*  
7:00 Good Friday Worship\*

### Saturday, April 3

9:00 Altar Guild

### Easter Sunday, April 4

6:30 Easter Worship\*  
8:00 Easter Worship\*  
9:30 Easter Worship\*  
11:00 Easter Worship\*

***Please make a reservation for which Easter Service  
you wish to attend at [faithbismarck.com](http://faithbismarck.com).***

***\*Masks are required for all in-person worship services.***

