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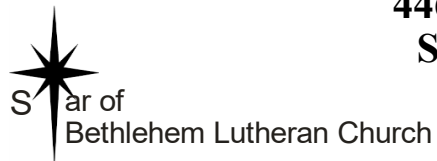
BLESSED IS THE
KING

WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

— LUKE 19:38



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Worship Service

Sunday, April 14, 2019 10:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday in LENT — Palm Sunday

Theme of the day: Here is the culmination of our Lenten journey. Here is the final preparation for the Paschal Mystery. Our hearts have been prepared to ponder anew the passion of our Lord and his glorious triumph over death. With repentant hearts, we join his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, confident in his everlasting rule, hailing him as our eternal King. Also we remember that he is our King because he is the Messiah, the promised Son sent as the sacrificial Lamb of God. Blessed is he!

WELCOME

A warm welcome to our friends and visitors! Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church is eager to share with you the blessings of its Christ-centered ministry. If you are a new or long-time resident of the Central Coast looking for a church home, we invite you to meet with us at the close of this worship service or at your convenience. All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Families are encouraged to worship together. If you need to step out with your children, the service can be seen and heard in the fellowship hall or narthex area. Feel free to enter and return at any time.

OUR MISSION

Our congregation exists for the purpose of "HOLDING OUT THE WORD OF LIFE." This is accomplished by faithfully preserving and proclaiming all of God's inerrant word, and administering the Sacraments as they were instituted by Christ.

The Service of the Word

OPENING HYMN: # 363 “The King of Glory Comes”

♪ ***Refrain:*** The King of glory comes; the nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him; lift up your voices.

Who is the King of glory? How shall we call him?
He is Immanuel, the promised of ages.

Refrain

In all of Galilee, in city or village,
He goes among his people, curing their illness.

Refrain

He gave his life for us, the lamb of salvation;
He took upon himself the sin of the nations.

Refrain

Please stand for last verse:

He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen,
And he will share with us his heavenly kingdom.

Refrain

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.** (*spoken*)

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: 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.

M: 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: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

The musical score is written on six staves in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him." The score ends with a double bar line.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
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Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

M: We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches 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.

C: *♪* **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Zechariah 9:9,10

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!

Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!

**See, your king comes to you,
righteous and having salvation,
gentle and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

**I will take away the chariots from Ephraim
and the war-horses 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.**

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 24

Refrain



Psalm tone



**The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it,*
the world, and all who live in it;**

for he founded it upon the seas*
and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?*

Who may stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart,*
he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

Refrain

Lift up your heads, O 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, O 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 beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith;

C: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

(John 12:23)

SECOND LESSON: Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ tell him, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ”

³² Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

³⁴ They replied, “The Lord needs it.”

³⁵ They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

³⁷ When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

³⁸ “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

⁴⁰ “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

HYMN: # 131 “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

♪ All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the King of Israel And David’s royal Son,
Now in the Lord’s name coming, Our King and blessed one.

All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
The company of angels Is praising you on high,
And we with all creation In chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
The people of the Hebrews With palms before you went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems Before you we present.

**All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
To you before your passion They sang their hymns of praise;
To you, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.**

**All glory, laud, and honor To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
As you received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King.**

SERMON: Hebrews 12:1-3

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. ² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Please stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

**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.**

Please be seated.

Hymn: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us

**♪ How deep the Father’s love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.**

**Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

C: ♪Amen. Amen. Amen.

HYMN # 368 "O Savior, Precious Savior"

♪ O Savior, precious Savior, Whom, yet unseen, we love,
O name of might and favor, All other names above,
We worship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise thee and confess thee, Our holy Lord and King.

O Bringer of salvation, Who wondrously hast wrought,
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought,
We worship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise thee and confess thee, Our gracious Lord and King.

In thee all fullness dwelleth, All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is thine.
We worship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise thee and confess thee, Our glorious Lord and King.

Oh, grant the consummation Of this our song above
In endless adoration And everlasting love!
Then shall we praise and bless thee Where perfect praises ring
And evermore confess thee, Our Savior and our King.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

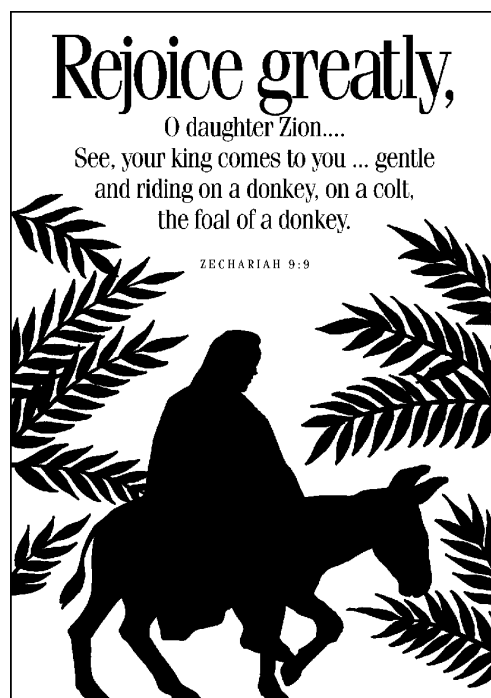
FLOWERS for today's service were given to the glory of God by Steve and Morgan.

PRAYERS Pray for: Gordon Hillberg, Shawn Lozano, Bob and Carol Munk, John Velasques, Douglas Ward, Ruth Fabian, little Elias, Albert Nunez, Judy Moore, and Lynn (Carp) Oberg.

EASTER MEMORY GARDEN: Forms are available in the narthex and the fellowship hall for providing flowers for Easter.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	ESL - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Maundy Thursday Communion Service, 7 p.m.
Friday	Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Bible Class and Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.
	Worship with Holy Communion, 10:00 a.m.
	Brunch and Egg Hunt - after service



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