

St. John
Lutheran Church
Lament to Hope ☀

Sunday

Palm



Sunday, April 10, 2022

11am

St. John

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday, April 14th at 7pm*

Good Friday, April 15th at 7pm*

Prayer Vigil, April 15th 8pm - April 16th 5am; YouTube as well

Easter Saturday, April 16th at 5:30

Easter Sunday, April 17th at 6:30am*, 8:30am* and 11am*

* Concurrent Livestream



Visit stjohnjoliet.org for all sign ups

TODAY Last Day to Sign Up & Turn in Deposit for "College-Age" Mission Trip

Sign up online & remit your \$100 non-refundable deposit to the church office if you're attending the Mission Trip to Baltimore, MD 5/23-31. College-age 18-23 years olds who are one or more years out of high school may attend. See Pastor Evan with questions or concerns.

NEW High School "One Day" Spring Retreat

Sign up for our One-Day Retreat at Dickson Valley Retreat Center on May 7th from 9am-10pm. Games. Sports. Devos. Fun.

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Sign Up Open!

Youth entering 7th grade through adults may sign up to volunteer for our June 6th - 8th Vacation Bible School.



NOW Helping Hands: April Special ffering

Use a blue envelope & check *Helping Hands*, or visit website.

Easter Lilies Available for Purchase, \$16

Please bring payment to church office & *not in collection basket*.

APR 15-16 Good Friday Prayer Vigil Sign Up Open

Secure a 30 min. spot & keep vigil, 8pm Good Friday to 5am Easter Saturday. *Online Prayer Vigil on YouTube Channel*.

MAY 22 Milestone Ministry Sunday is May 22nd

On May 22nd during 8:30am* & 11am* worship, we'll recognize student milestones for First Year of Sunday School, First Bibles, First Communion, 10 Commandments, & Apostles' Creed. **First Communion & First Bible families, please sign up.**



* Concurrent Livestream

We welcome you to St. John Lutheran Church as we gather for this time of worship and reflection on God's love for the world.

The altar flowers today are given by Terry & Valerie Teegardin in celebration of our 30th wedding anniversary.

To sponsor altar flowers for our worship space, sign up at stjohnjoliet.org or call the church office.

Worship Leaders – Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022 (11:00 am)

Deacon	Sandy Smith
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 **St. John Lutheran Church, Joliet**

**Indicates Congregation, Please Stand*

Prelude

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Christopher

Welcome and Announcements

Distribution of Palms

*Palms will be distributed during the hymn.
Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.*

***Processional Hymn**

“Hosanna”

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Verse 1 The angels bow down at the thought of You.
The darkness gives way to the light for You.
The price that You paid gives us life brand new.
Hosanna! forever we worship You;
Hosanna! forever we worship You.

Verse 2 For You are the joy that my soul longs for.
The Lamb that was slain for my sins, and the One I adore;
King of kings, Ruler of ev'rything.
Hosanna! forever we worship You;
Hosanna! forever we worship You.

Bridge For Your patience and kindness and favor and mercy
and honor and glory, because You are worthy;
We can't live without You, we can't breathe without You,
We can't sing without You. Hosanna, hosanna!

Verse 3 No greater love in this world but You.
No one can compare to the things You do.
Wherever You go I will follow You.
Hosanna! forever we worship You;
Hosanna! forever we worship You.

Verse 4 Someday ev'ry tongue shall confess Your name.
This house made of clay soon shall pass away.
Whatever the test You will bring us through.
Hosanna! forever we worship You.
Hosanna! forever we worship You.

Ending Hosanna forever; Hosanna forever and ever and ever. **Repeat**
And ever and ever and ever and ever... *(follow the leader)*

***Litany and Prayer of the Day**

P Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!

C Hosanna in the highest!

P O Christ our Lord: this is the day you rode humbly into the Holy City.

C Hosanna to our King!

P This is the week you stood fast as you resisted fearful rulers.

C Praise God for Jesus, the Just.

P This is the week you washed your disciples' feet.

C Lord, you have taught us by example to be servants of others.

P This is the week you established your holy meal.

C We remember you Lord, and we celebrate your presence with us.

P This is the week you carried your cross. This is the week you died for
all people everywhere.

**C O crucified and risen Lord, because of this week in Your life, we
received our salvation.**

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. We gather to recount your entrance into the holy
city in triumph, where many proclaimed you messiah and king, spreading
branches along the way. Today, 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.

Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

D A reading from the book of Philippians, the second chapter.
Listen for the Word of the Lord.

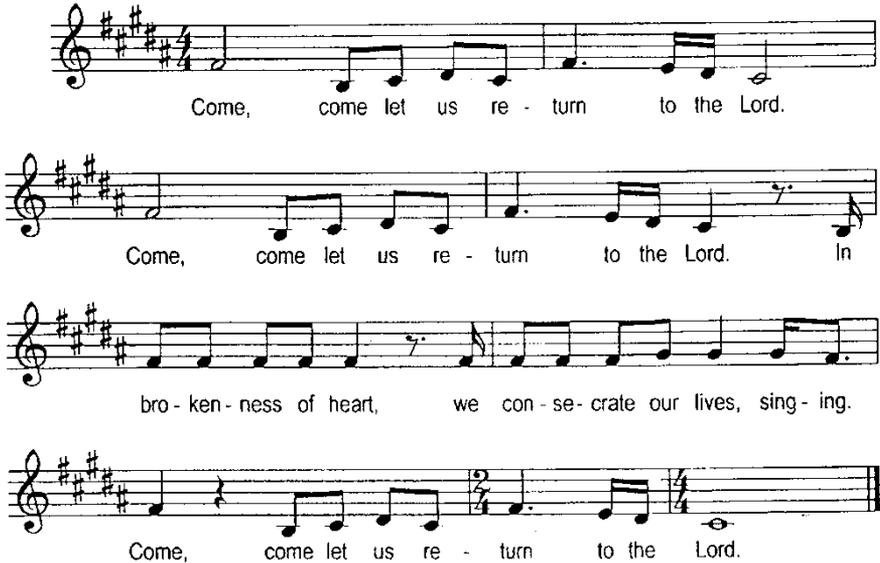
C Our ears are open.

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.

D Word of God, Word of Life!

C Thanks be to God!

*Gospel Acclamation



Come, come let us re - turn to the Lord.

Come, come let us re - turn to the Lord. In

bro - ken - ness of heart, we con - se - crate our lives, sing - ing.

Come, come let us re - turn to the Lord.

*Gospel Excerpts from Jesus' Farewell Discourse

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, chapters 13 through 17.

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

John 13:33-36

Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Pharisees so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered, "Where I am going, you cannot follow me now; but you will follow afterward."

John 14:1-7

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

John 14:18-20, 25-27

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

John 15:9-13, 15-16

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.

John 16:16-17, 20-22

“A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me.” Then some of his disciples said to one another, “What does he mean by saying to us, ‘A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and ‘Because I am going to the Father’?” [Jesus said] Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy. When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world. So you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

John 16:32-33

The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!”

John 17:1, 10-11, 26

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

P The gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Evan Mayhew

*Hymn of the Day

"Hosanna (Praise is Rising)"

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Verse 1 Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You;
We turn to You;
Hope is stirring hearts are yearning for You;
We long for You;

Bridge 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day;
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Chorus Hosanna, hosanna,
You are the God who saves us,
Worthy of all our praises;
Hosanna, hosanna,
Come have Your way among us;
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Verse 2 Hear the sound of hearts returning to You;
We turn to You;
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new,
You make us new; **Bridge, Chorus**

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna

***Apostles' Creed**

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

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

Joys and Concerns of our Faith Community

*Prayer request cards are available in your pews.
You may place the card in the offering plate or give to a pastor.*

Prayers of the Church

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P Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church,
the world, and all who are in need.

Response (sing):

**O God, we call, O God, we call,
From deep inside we yearn, from deep inside we yearn,
From deep inside we yearn for you.**

The prayers conclude:

P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need,
for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

You may share the peace of Christ with others.

Those who choose to stay in their pew may wave or give signs of peace.

Offertory

“He is Exalted”

Hayes

Commitment to Community

We give what we can from what we have, and trust God will continue moving us to mindful living, generosity, and gratitude.

Family of faith, you are invited to be givers and receivers of generosity. You are invited to give your prayers, offerings, and acts of kindness.

We share a commitment to the mission and ministry of this place, and our giving is the work of faith.

Let us give with grateful hearts.

*Offertory Response

“He Who Began a Good Work in You”

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He who began a good work in you,
He who began a good work in you
Will be faithful to complete it,
He'll be faithful to complete it,
He who started the work
Will be faithful to complete it in you.

*Offertory Prayer

D Let us pray. Extravagant God, **you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

*Great Thanksgiving *(spoken)*

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy

"Revelation Song"

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord God Al-might-y

Who was. and is and is to come;

With all cre-a-tion sing praise to the King of kings;

You are my ev-'ry-thing and I will a-dore You.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

*Words of Institution

***The 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.

***Invitation to Communion**

P All who thirst, all who hunger: come and be filled with the goodness
of God!

C Thanks be to God!

Distribution

*We believe in the true presence of Jesus Christ in this meal and at this table.
All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.*

There are two ways to receive communion today:

Receiving Communion in your pew

You may receive communion in your pew with the elements contained in the communion pod. The pastor will say the words of distribution after the Invitation to Communion:

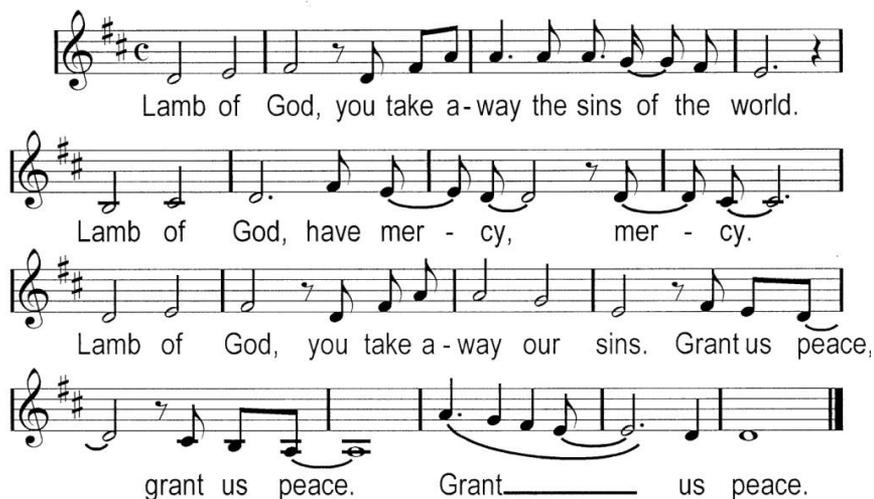
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Receiving Communion at the altar

- *You will be invited forward by the usher.*
- *You may bring your offering/attendance slip forward and place in the offering basket or place in the offering baskets by the doors as you leave.*
- *Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Inform the pastor when receiving communion.*
- *The deep purple wine is on the outer rings of the tray; the golden grape juice is on the inner rings of the tray.*
- *After receiving communion, place the used communion cup in the basket, and return to your pew via the side aisle.*

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world.

Lamb of God, have mer - cy, mer - cy.

Lamb of God, you take a-way our sins. Grant us peace,
grant us peace. Grant us peace.

Communion Music

“The Saving One”

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- Verse 1** What mercy was revealed,
What selflessness and peace!
My fate was surely sealed
Until He rescued me.
His pardon for my sin,
His bounty for my need;
From slavery and shame,
I am redeemed.
- Chorus** And heaven can't contain the glory of the Son;
Jesus is the Christ, the Saving One!
His love has made a way, the grave is overcome;
Jesus is the Christ, the Saving One
- Verse 2** No fear can hold me down,
No darkness steal my joy,
For blood has been poured out,
The enemy destroyed.
Death could not hold Him down;
The cross was not enough
To steal away His love,
For He is God. **Chorus**

Bridge And anyone who calls upon His name,
They will be saved,
They will be saved!
Anyone who calls upon His name,
They will be saved,
They will be saved!

Repeat Chorus 2x
Repeat Bridge

***Blessing**

C Amen.

***Prayer after Communion**

D Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our offerings, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

***Benediction**

C Amen. (*spoken*)

***Sending Song**

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

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Chorus Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Verse 2 As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Every changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me: **Chorus**

***Sending**

D Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Kendrick