



Sixth Sunday in Lent  
Sunday of the Passion

# St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | *Jordan, Minnesota*

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*April 13, 2025*

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God’s holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

## **TODAY’S THEME**

As we begin Holy Week, we see Jesus bury humanity’s endless attempts at seizing power. In our world, power dynamics are almost always in play. Those who don’t have power want it, often more than anything else. Those who have power are willing to do anything to keep it. In contrast, Jesus – who possesses all power as the Son of God – willingly surrendered his power and placed himself in the hands of his enemies. Why? What he wanted more than anything else was not power, but you. So, Jesus begins this Holy Week riding into Jerusalem on a donkey colt, knowing full well that he was riding to the cross. He would surrender himself to the punishment that our sins deserved, so that through Spirit-wrought faith we might seize the glory and heaven that only he deserves.

**Pastor**.....Jeremy Glowicki

**Organist**.....Lois Zander

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*Stand*

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Dear friends in Christ, during the weeks of Lent we have been preparing to commemorate our Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn journey of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Savior and to gain for us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We follow him in faith and praise him with joy.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest!**

## **Reading**

*Luke 19:28-44*

After Jesus had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he came near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ahead, saying, "Go to the village ahead of you. When you enter it, you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will say this: 'The Lord needs it.'" Those who were sent ahead went and found things just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought the colt to Jesus. They threw their robes on the colt and set Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their robes on the road. As he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began to praise God joyfully, with a loud voice, for all the miracles they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" He replied, "I tell you, if these people would be silent, the stones would cry out." As he came near, he saw the city and wept over it. He said, "If you, yes you, had only known on this day the things that would bring peace to you. But now, it is hidden from your eyes. In fact, the days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you, surround you, and hem you in on every side. Within your walls, they will dash you and your children to the ground. And within your walls, they will not leave one stone on top of another, because you did not recognize the time when God came to help you."

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

*The procession begins.*

412 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

CW 412

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, Re-deem - er, King,  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring.

1 You are the King of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high,  
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore you went;  
4 To you be - fore your pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
5 As you re - ceived their prais - es, ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*

now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.  
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.  
to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, our good and gra - cious King.

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Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.  
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# The Word

## Prayer

Let us pray.

God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as a king by those who shouted “Hosanna” and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## Oh, Blest Is He That Came

*Choir*

## The Passion History according to St. Luke

### Reading

*Luke 22:1–38*

The Festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was approaching. The chief priests and the experts in the law were trying to find some way to put Jesus to death, because they were afraid of the people. Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, who was one of the Twelve. He went away and spoke with the chief priests and officers of the temple guard about how he could betray Jesus to them. They were glad and agreed to give him money. He promised to do it and was looking for an opportunity to betray Jesus to them away from the crowd. The day of Unleavened Bread arrived, when it was necessary to sacrifice the Passover lamb. Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go prepare the Passover for us, so that we may eat it.” They said to him, “Where do you want us to prepare it?” He told them, “Just as you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters. Tell the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, “Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’” He will show you a large, furnished upper room. Make preparations there.” They went and found things just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. When the hour had come, Jesus reclined at the table with the twelve apostles.

He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for I tell you, I will not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." He took a cup, gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves, for I tell you, from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." He took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after the supper, saying, "This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is being poured out for you. "But look, the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table. The Son of Man is going to go as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" They began to discuss with one another which of them it was who was going to do this. A dispute arose among the disciples about which of them was considered to be greatest. But he told them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who have authority over them are called Benefactors. But it is not to be that way with you. Instead, let the greatest among you become like the youngest, and the one who leads like the one who serves. For who is greater, one who reclines at the table or one who serves? Isn't it the one who reclines at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have remained with me in my trials. I am going to grant a kingdom to you, just as my Father granted to me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom. And you will sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." The Lord said, "Simon, Simon, pay attention: Satan has asked to have you all, so that he may sift you as wheat. But I prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have returned to me, strengthen your brothers." He said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death!" But Jesus replied, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today until you deny three times that you know me." He said to them, "When I sent you out without money bag, traveler's bag, and sandals, did you lack anything?" "Nothing," they said. Then he told them, "But now, let the one who has a money bag take it, and likewise a traveler's bag. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: 'He was counted with transgressors.' Indeed, what is written about me is going to have its fulfillment." They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He said to them, "That is enough."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Reading

Luke 22:39–54

Jesus left and went out to the Mount of Olives, as was his custom. His disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he told them, “Keep praying that you may not enter into temptation.” He withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, “Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours be done.” An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. As he was in agony, he prayed more fervently. His sweat became like great drops of blood falling to the ground. When he rose from prayer, he went to the disciples and found them sleeping as a result of sorrow. He said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and keep praying so that you may not enter into temptation.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd appeared, and the man called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He came near to Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said to him, “Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?” When those who were around him saw what was about to happen, they said to him, “Lord, should we strike with a sword?” Then one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus responded, “Stop! No more of this!” Then he touched the servant’s ear and healed him. Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guard, and the elders, who had come out against him, “Have you come out as you would against a robber, with swords and clubs? Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour—when darkness rules.” Then they seized him, led him away, and brought him into the high priest’s house. Peter followed at a distance.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 424 The Garden of Gethsemane

*Sts. 1-4, choir sings st. 3*

## Reading

Luke 22:55–71

When they had lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them. A servant girl saw him sitting near the light. She looked closely at him and said, “This man also was with him.” But he denied it, saying, “Woman, I do not know him.” After a little while someone else saw him and said, “You also are one of them!” But Peter answered, “Man, I am not!” After about one hour had passed, someone else was firmly

insisting, “Truly this man was with him too, because he is a Galilean!” But Peter said, “Man, I don't know what you are talking about!” At that very moment, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the Lord's word, how he had said to him, “Before the rooster crows today you will deny me three times.” He went outside and wept bitterly. The men who were holding Jesus in custody mocked him while they were beating him. They blindfolded him and kept asking him, “Prophecy! Who hit you?” And they went on saying many other blasphemous things against him. As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both the chief priests and experts in the law. They brought him into their Sanhedrin and said, “If you are the Christ, tell us.” But he said to them, “If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I ask you, you will not answer me or release me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.” They all said, “Are you then the Son of God?” He said to them, “I am what you are saying.” Then they said, “Why do we need any more testimony? For we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth!”

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

## **429 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

*CW 429 sts. 2–5*

### **Reading**

*Luke 23:1–25*

The whole group of them got up and brought him before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, “We found this fellow misleading our nation, forbidding the payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king.” Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” “It is as you say,” Jesus replied. Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.” But they kept insisting, “He stirs up the people, teaching all through Judea, beginning from Galilee all the way here.” When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad. For a long time, he had wanted to see him, because he had heard many things about him. He hoped to see some miracle performed by him. He questioned him with many words, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the experts in the law stood there, vehemently accusing him. Herod, along with his soldiers, treated him with contempt and ridiculed him. Dressing him in bright clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day. Before this they had been enemies of each other. Pilate called



together the chief priests, the rulers, and the people, and said to them, “You brought this man to me as one who is misleading the people. Look, I have examined him in your presence. I have found in this man no basis for the charges you are bringing against him. Herod did not either, for he sent him back to us. See, he has done nothing worthy of death. So I will have him flogged and release him.” Pilate needed to release one prisoner to them at the Festival. But they all shouted together with one voice: “Take him away! Release Barabbas to us!” Barabbas had been thrown in prison for a rebellion in the city and for murder. Pilate addressed them again, because he wanted to release Jesus. But they kept shouting, “Crucify! Crucify him!” He said to them the third time, “Why? What evil has he done? I have found no grounds for sentencing him to death. So I will whip him and release him.” But they kept pressuring him with loud voices, demanding that he be crucified. And their voices were overwhelming. So Pilate decided that what they demanded would be done. He released the one they had asked for, who had been thrown in prison for rebellion and murder, but he handed Jesus over to their will.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **414 No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet**

*CW 414 sts. 1, 3–4*

### **Reading**

*Luke 23:26–56*

As they led him away, they seized Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country. They placed the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A large crowd of people was following him, including women who were mourning and wailing for him. Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, stop weeping for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. Be sure of this: The days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never gave birth, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us!’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do these things to the green wood, what will happen to the dry?” Two other men, who were criminals, were led away with Jesus to be executed. When they came to the place called The Skull, they crucified him there with the criminals, one on his right and the other on his left. Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” They cast lots to divide his garments among them. The people stood watching. The rulers were ridiculing him, saying, “He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, the Chosen One!” The soldiers also made fun of him. Coming up to him, they offered him sour wine, saying, “If

you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription written above him: "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." Jesus said to him, "Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise." It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun was darkened. Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" When he had said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had happened, he began to glorify God, saying, "This man really was righteous." When all the groups of people who had gathered to see this spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their chests. All those who knew Jesus, and the women who followed with him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea, who was a member of the Council, a good and righteous man. He had not agreed with their plan and action. He was looking forward to the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. He took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and placed it in a tomb that was cut out of rock, where no one had yet been laid. It was Preparation Day, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed after Joseph, and they observed the tomb and how his body was laid there. Then they returned and prepared spices and perfumes. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **410 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**

CW 410 sts. 1-4

*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.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Offering**

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

## **Closing Prayer**

*Psalm 22*

Lord Jesus, because your hands and feet were pierced for us, because you were surrounded by taunting enemies, and because you were abandoned even by your heavenly Father, we are rescued from the lion's mouth. Be with us when we must face our own crosses, and instill in us the confidence to say, "My Savior has won the victory for me." Amen.

## **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.**

## **Blessing**

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.  
**Amen.**

## **405 On My Heart Imprint Your Image**

*CW 405*



Holy Thursday – April 17 – 7 pm (Stripping of the Altar)  
Good Friday – April 18 – 7 pm

Easter Sunday Schedule

Easter Dawn with Holy Communion- 6:30 am

Easter Breakfast - 7:30 am

The Festival of the Ressurrection of Our Lord - 9 am

A logo for Easter featuring the word "Easter" in a stylized, cursive font with a sunburst behind it, and the phrase "BECAUSE HE LIVES" in a smaller, sans-serif font below it. The logo is set against a background of green hills and a field of green dots.

## *News & Notes*

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### **Radio Broadcast**

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Elaine Gerdes, Norma Bendzick and Nancy Goss in memory of James Heinisch. Thank you!

### **Easter Silent Auction**

The silent auction is quickly drawing to a close! Check your bids now! The proceeds will be used to fund the many mission and outreach projects of Woven, our women's group.

### **Celebrate Jordan**

Celebrate Jordan is today, we could still use some individuals to work our booth. The sign up sheet is on the counter near the Fellowship Hall. There will be 1 hour time slots from 1-4 pm.

### **Easter Breakfast Setup**

Roots members (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) and parents, there is setup for Easter Breakfast on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am until we are finished. The more people we have the faster it goes. Please plan on helping.

### **Dedication of Communion Ware**

We will dedicate our new Communion Ware at the Sunrise Communion Service on Easter. We are grateful for this gift to the congregation. May they serve as long as the pieces we are retiring.

### **Congregation Informational Meeting**

The Church Council has called a meeting for April 27<sup>th</sup> following worship to discuss some issues which have arisen related to our insurance.

### **Theology On Tap**

There is no Theology on Tap in April because the third Thursday falls on Holy Thursday.

### **Fellowship Sunday**

Today is Fellowship Sunday. Meet in the fellowship hall following worship for treats and coffee provided by the Ericksons and the Bohnsacks.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

There will be an Easter Egg hunt on Easter morning for Sunday School-aged kids and younger. Starting at approximately 8:30 am before the 9 am service.

# APRIL 2025

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| Sun   | Mon | Tue                                | Wed   | Thu                                       | Fri                               | Sat                      |
|---|-----|------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
|   |     | 1                                  | 2<br>Soup Supper<br>5 pm<br>Foundations<br>5:30 pm<br>Lent Service<br>6:30 pm | 3<br>Senior Coffee<br>Fellowship 10<br>am | 4                                 | 5<br>9 am<br>Doorhangers |
| 6<br>Worship 9 am<br>Communion<br>Sunday School/<br>Bible Study<br>10:15 am<br>1 pm<br>Doorhangers                            | 7   | 8<br>Council<br>Meeting 6:30<br>pm | 9<br>Lent Service<br>6:30 pm<br>Soup Supper 5<br>pm<br>Foundations<br>5:30 pm | 10  | 11                                | 12                       |
| 13<br>Worship 9 am<br>Sunday School/<br>Bible Study<br>10:15 am<br><b>Fellowship<br/>Sunday<br/>1 pm Celebrate<br/>Jordan</b> | 14  | 15<br>Oak Terrace<br>9:45 am       | 16  | 17<br>Holy Thursday<br>Worship 7 pm       | 18<br>Good Friday<br>Worship 7 pm | 19                       |
| 20<br>Easter Sunrise<br>6:30 am<br>Easter Break-<br>fast 7:30 am<br>9 am Easter<br>Festival                                   | 21  | 22                                 | 23<br>Foundations 6<br>pm   | 24  | 25                                | 26                       |
| 27<br>Worship 9 am<br>Sunday School/<br>Bible Study<br>10:15 am<br>WELS Connec-<br>tion<br><b>Examination</b>                 | 28  | 29                                 | 30  |   |                                   |                          |

## SERVING THE LORD

|      |      | Acolytes         | Ushers | Media Booth      | Organist    |
|------|------|------------------|--------|------------------|-------------|
| 4/13 | 9 Am | Greta Newton     | 4      | Ryan Bertrang    | Lois Zander |
| 4/17 | 7 pm | Leah Bertrang    | 1      | Ryan Bertrang    | Noah Helke  |
| 4/18 | 7 pm | (Need Volunteer) | 2      | (Need Volunteer) | -           |

| April Altar Guild               | April Cleaners              |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Dianne Jabs/Lynn Sorenson       | Carlstroms                  |
| April Counters                  | Spring Service Group Leader |
| Debbie Glowicki/Heather Nelson  | Craig and Melanie Sparby    |
| May Altar Guild                 | Children's Church Volunteer |
| Donna Breeggemann/Janet Robling | 4/6 - Angela Kalal          |

| Attendance   |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Sunday       | 103        |
| Wednesday    | 53         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>156</b> |

| Gifts To Our Lord |               |               |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                   | Received      | Needed        |
| Current           | \$2329        | \$3834        |
| Online Giving     | \$501         |               |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$2830</b> | <b>\$3834</b> |



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