

Festival Order of Worship for Palm Sunday and the Rite of Confirmation

St. John's Lutheran Church, Red Bud, Illinois

April 12-13, 2025

Divine Service Three, page 184ff.

THE PRELUDE: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

arranged by Kevin Hildebrand

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

THE INVOCATION: *(please stand if you are able)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

THE PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL:

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

THE PROCESSIONAL PRAYER:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: Let us pray. We praise and thank You, O God, for the great acts of love by which You have redeemed us through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day He entered Jerusalem in triumph and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in His path. May we now ever hail Him as our Lord and King and follow Him in perfect confidence;

C: **through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

P: Let us go forth in peace

C: **in the name of our Lord. Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

“Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty” (LSB 441)

(Children may join the procession carrying palms to the foot of the cross.)



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
fiec - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: pages 184-185 (please stand if you are able)

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

INTROIT:

Psalm 24:7-10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26



Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord!*

We bless you from the house | of the Lord.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O | 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 gates! And lift them up, O | ancient doors,*

that the King of glory | may come in.

Who is this King of | glory?*

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of | glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord!*

We bless you from the house | of the Lord.**KYRIE:***(LSB 186)*

☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



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

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(sung)* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. *(please be seated)*

ANTHEM: (8 a.m.) "Ride On! Ride On!"

Choir

1. Ride on! Ride on! Hear Jerusalem sing Your praise!

Ride on! Ride on! Hear Jerusalem sing!

Refrain: Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to the King!

2. Ride on! Ride on! Palms and branches prepare Your way.

Ride on! Ride on! Palms preparing Your way. **Refrain**Blessed is He! He that cometh in the name of the Lord! *(6 times)*Blessed is He! Blessed is He! **Refrain**

3. Ride on! Ride on! Son of David, Redeemer, Lord!

Ride on! Ride on! Our Redeemer and Lord!

Refrain *(sing twice)* Hosanna!

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:*1 Kings 1:32-37*

King David said, "Call to me Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada." So they came before the king. And the king said to them, "Take with you the servants of your lord and have Solomon my son ride on my own mule, and bring him down to Gihon. And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet there anoint him king over Israel. Then blow the trumpet and say, 'Long live King Solomon!' You shall then come up after him, and he shall come and sit on my throne, for he shall be king in my place. And I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah." And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, "Amen! May the Lord, the God of my lord the king, say so. As the Lord has been with my lord the king, even so may he be with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord King David."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.**THE GRADUAL:***Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a*

[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

He sent redemption to his people;

he has commanded his covenant forever.

THE EPISTLE READING:*Philippians 2:5-11*

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.**HYMN:***"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (LSB 549, v.1) (please stand if able)*

1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:*John 12:16-19*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 12th chapter.

C: *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

P: His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:*Nicene Creed (page 191)*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

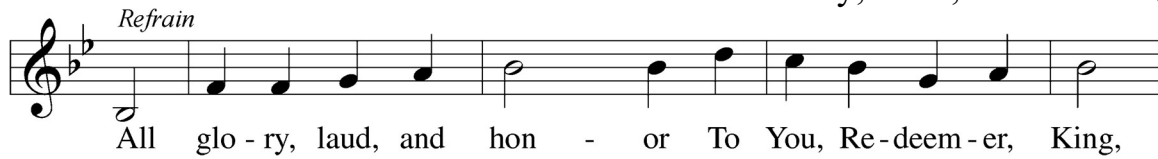
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY:

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (LSB 442)

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 mul - ti - tude of pil - grims 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.

SERMON

OFFERTORY:

(LSB 192-193)

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 Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me.

Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION: (10:30 a.m.)

(LSB 272-274)

(Parents and baptismal sponsors are invited to stand when their child comes forward for the blessing.)

The following young people have been instructed in the Christian faith into which they are baptized. The Profession of Faith service and the Rite of Confirmation are their opportunities to confess this Christian faith as their own belief in Jesus Christ as their Savior from sin. We thank God for the spiritual gifts He has given to these fellow Christians. We pray that the Holy Spirit will give them strength to fulfill their promises to remain steadfast in this confession and to be faithful in the use of God's Word and Sacraments until our Lord calls them to live with Him for eternity.

Carson Jacob Bowles

Verse: Ephesians 4:32

*“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.”*

Claræ Mariæ Carnahan

Verse: Revelation 2:10

“Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.”

Estella Grace Cowell

Verse: John 13:7

“Jesus answered him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand.””

Liam Anthony Kilpatrick

Verse: John 5:24

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.”

Brynlæ Josephine Ligfer

Verse: Philippians 4:12b–13

“I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.”

Jacob Matthew Ligfer

Verse: John 8:12

“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.””

Maya Elizabeth Macbeth

Verse: Psalm 23:1-3a

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.”

Wilgy Lain Mingmann

Verse: 2 Samuel 22:33-34

“This God is my strong refuge and has made my way blameless. He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.”

Carson Lawrence Moll

Verse: Romans 8:11

“If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.”

Jackson Lee Pensonzau

Verse: Romans 1:16

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.”

Lyle Troy Schlatter

Verse: Jeremiah 29:11

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for wholeness and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

Allie Marie Seiber

Verse: Joshua 1:9

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Tessa Lynn Stenzel

Verse: John 16 :33

“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Brendyn Donald Wegener

Verse: Isaiah 40:10

“Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.”

Brooke Ann Wolter

Verse: Psalm 119:105

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition ends, “**Lord, in Your mercy,**” and we respond, “**hear our prayer.**”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Riley Foster, Charles Guebert, Wil Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Roger Hanebutt, Brendan Harms, Susie Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Peggy Koen, Rev. Russell Koen, Nancy Langrehr, Jay Prigge, Darleen Scheffert, Lorna Schneider, Gary Schwartzkopf, Wanda Steele, Pam Stellhorn; *Family/Friends of St. John’s Members:* Mary Gibson, Taylor Gregory, Ruby Hering, Gerald Hitzemann, Izzy McDermott, Tyson Moonier, Ron Pflueger, Ted Stellhorn, Matthew Vallett, Roger Womack.

MILITARY: Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Chase Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Craig Moll, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan

+those who mourn: family of Phillip Palm; died in the Lord on Saturday, April 5

+those who mourn: family of Jane Lucht; died in the Lord on Wednesday, April 9

+those who mourn: family of Vernon Lucht; died in the Lord on Wednesday, April 9

+170th Anniversary of St. John’s Lutheran Church on Tuesday, April 15th

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT: pages 194-198ff.

PREFACE: (*we speak the responses*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (*Sung*) **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: (*Sung*) **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: (*Sung*) **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ...evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS: (*sung*)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;

Heav’n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry. Ho-san-na,

ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He,

bless-ed in He, bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD AND THE PAX DOMINI

AGNUS DEI: *(sung)*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est away the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A-men.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” (*LSB 525*)



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied.
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

“No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet” (LSB 444)



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



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



mar - tial beat: “The King of glo - ry comes!”
cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.
on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.
form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride
A - stride a colt He pass - es by
The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,
Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing
As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y
The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
Till heav - en's raf - ters 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!”

“My Song Is Love Unknown” (LSB 430)



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
King. Then “Cru - ci - fy!” Is all their breath,
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!
And for His death They thirst and cry.
Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

**5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.**

**6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.**

7 **Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend!**

NUNC DIMITTIS:

(LSB 199-200)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre-pared before the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING:

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C: *(sung)* **and His mercy endureth for-ev-er.**

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: *(sung)* **Amen.**

SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spir-it.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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

C: *(sung)* **A-men, a-men, a-men.**

CLOSING HYMN:

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” (LSB 443)



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
 3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.
 The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.
 For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,
 The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state
 Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
 Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
 And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

POSTLUDE: “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*arranged by David Maxwell*

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This Week With Our Lord, April 13-20, 2025**SUNDAY, April 13-**

10:30 a.m. Rite of Confirmation

Monday, April 14-

4:00 p.m. Golf Match vs. Sparta & SPPCS

6:00 p.m. Altar Guild Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir in School Music Room

Tuesday, April 15-

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. Office Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. 6th Grade Class Meeting in Library

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Gathering

Wednesday, April 16-

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Mom's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

JR OVC Track Meet

Thursday, April 17- *Pastor Mark Winkelman day off*

8:30 a.m. Maundy Thursday Service; Acolyte – Alexa Cheek

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice at Church

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service; Acolyte – Maybre Falkenhain

Friday, April 18- *No School/Easter Break*

8:30 a.m. Good Friday Service; Acolyte – Holden Wagner

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service; Acolyte – Ella Cowell

Saturday, April 19-

9:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt at School

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Finn Liefer

SUNDAY, April 20- *Happy Easter!*

6:30 a.m. Resurrection Sunrise Service; Acolyte – Grayden Schloemann

Easter Breakfast to follow Sunrise Service

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Resurrection Festival Service; Acolyte – Lucy Kuehn

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Last week: Worship: 326; Communion: 163; Bible classes: 30; Sunday School: 37

Midweek Lent: Worship: 208; Communion: N/A

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join together in the grace of giving. 4/6- General: \$23,483.00; School: \$220.00; Debt Elimination: \$160.00.

ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS:

Did you know that we do electronic funds transfer from your account to ours on a bi-weekly or monthly basis? It's a simple process! Complete the form with your contribution request and we'll do that for you. Those can be changed at any time, that works best for you, just contact the office with any changes. Feel free to pick up a form in church or school office. Please have completed form(s) turned into the office.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING:

The Altar Guild will be meeting on Monday, April 14th at 6pm to practice for Maundy Thursday Service(s).

6TH GRADE CLASS MEETING:

This Tuesday, April 15th the current 6th grade class meeting will be at 6:30pm in the library.

CHOIR PRACTICE:

This Monday, April 14th, choir practice will be held on the church balcony at 7 pm to prepare for Holy Week and Easter! At 7:30, we will practice "The Hallelujah Chorus". Any "guest singers" who want to sing it on Easter morning are welcome to practice with us at this time!

EASTER LILY FORMS: *Orders due this Monday!!*

Easter Lilies will be on display next weekend. If you would like to order, please turn in the completed form to our church office or by way of the offering plate by this **Monday, April 14th**. Forms are on the tables in the entryway or may be picked up at the school office. Thank you!

EASTER EGG HUNT:

Junior Youth will be hosting an Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 19th starting at 9am on the North lawn of the school building. This will be for toddlers up to first grade. We are asking for donations of filled eggs for this event. If you would like to donate filled eggs, please make sure you tape them shut and drop off in the school office. Thank you in advance for your help!

COLLECTING SNACKS FOR SUMMER:

Kindergarten and First grade will begin our Service Project of collecting summer snacks for students on April 11. We will donate collected snacks to the Royal Table and Musketeer Market, which supply snacks for families in our Red Bud public schools. Snacks will also be available through the school office for our own students. The following snacks or cash can be donated by bringing them to the school lobby: fruit snacks, granola bars, individual packs of applesauce, small packs of cookies, cheese crackers, breakfast bars, poptarts and small bags of chips. We thank you for your help with this project.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

Perfect Attendance for March- Pre-K3: Logan Gramenz, June Russell; Pre-K4: Eve Guebert, Lillian Guebert; Kindergarten: Nolan Kassing, Caleb Huntley; Fifth Grade: Jackson Carnahan, Henry Schnepel; Sixth Grade: Natalie Kassing. Thank you for your participation and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult Bible Class will be led by Pastor Mark Winkelman & will meet in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Mr. Palm's class on the Angels and Demons will meet this Sunday in the School Library.

FLOWERS IN CHANCEL:

+Flowers on the altar this weekend are given to the glory of God by the Confirmation Class of 2025. Thank you!

+To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

FROM THE ELDERS:

Pastor Nebel served St. John's for seventeen years. We have a normal tendency to initially contact Pastor Nebel when a significant family event occurs. St. John's is now blessed to be served by Pastor Mark Winkelman and Pastor Brian Nowak. When you or someone close to you needs pastoral assistance, please contact Pastor Winkelman or Pastor Nowak or any member of the board of elders for assistance. If you would like Pastor Nebel involved in a special service, ask the church and we will gladly contact him on your behalf. Thank you.

CUSTODIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

A part-time paid position is available in our church custodian rotation for about 8 - 12 hours every 2 weeks. We need someone for Sunday morning service ONLY. Training provided. This involves the opening and closing of the building for worship, lighting, setting temperatures, ringing the bell, and light cleaning. See Leonard Salger or Justin Palm.

SPRING RENEWAL:

LWML Southern Illinois District Lower Kaskaskia Zone invite you to their Spring Renewal on Thursday, April 24th at 9a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Baldwin. Registration from 8:30-9a.m. Theme: "Comforting Love" with guest speaker: Angie Filipiac of Angie's Purpose.

YOUTH GATHERING:

Any high school youth interested in attending the youth gathering in New Orleans in July, please contact Stephanie Liefer at 618-967-0804 or email at stjohnsseniorityouth@gmail.com.

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

Incarnation, atonement, and resurrection from the dead have earned Jesus Christ authority over the manner of our living and the timing of our dying (Deuteronomy 32:39). Even in surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis, we may commit human life's course to His loving care, for His own humble humanity has sanctified every moment of ours (Philippians 2:8-9).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

4/14- Alverda Rahn, Trish Sachtleben, Sydney Kassing; 4/15- Jacob Arbeiter, Mackenzie Schweizer; 4/16- Terri Dilley, Chase Jackson, Cali Hoffman; 4/17- Roy Wirth, Carol Turner, Christine Deien, Claire Diewald, Cassidy Palm; 4/18- Neva Liefer, Margaret Hanebutt, Griffin Ziebold, Lucas Stellhorn; 4/19- Erin Krick, Danette Kaesburg, Breanna Bingel, Aiden Lewis, Issac Moll, Ava Moll; 4/20- Karen Wetzel, Chloe Cowell, Josef Biffar, Lucas Summers.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Luke 22:11 – "Tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'" Did Jesus really need this man's Upper Room? If the man had refused to let Jesus use it, would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this room! It is the same with us. The Lord needs none of us, but what an honor it is for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His church.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "In the Middle"

In Jesus, God showed up smack in the middle of life with forgiveness, love, and a promise never to leave us. (John 19:18). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m., on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM or on Sirius XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 9 a.m.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at dvheller@htc.net or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Addington Place-Sparta: Kathryn Chunn; Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke, & Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care-Waterloo: Martha Rohlfing; Cedarhurst of Tesson Heights: Paul Schrieber; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers, Wil Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Kenneth & Geraldine Koester, Darleen Scheffert, & Gary Schwartzkopf; Coulterville Care Center: Lorna Schneider.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Columbia: Pat Byer; Red Bud: Elaine Guebert, Dorothy Heizer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Pearl Luttmann, Vernon Muench, Carl Zschiegner, Helen Winkelman.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

ELDER ZONES FOR 2025-2026: (Chairman, Stuart Langrehr)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Louis Stellhorn (618/623-8495)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman-Elder Ron Liefer (618/282-3950)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 5: W/M Krick thru J. Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6 : P. Malik thru L. Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru D. Schrader- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/282-8228)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Michael Schnepel (618/363-9575)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann – C. Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

LCMS FOUNDATION:

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. This month we think of the tension that is produced by differing opinions by family members. Sometimes parents create an estate plan later in life that includes some gifts that will support ministry or other charities, never telling their children. When the first spouse is called home to Jesus, children often get involved in the estate plan and might contradict the original plan. The solution for this is to communicate your estate plan to future heirs now. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor, at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUO.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical

talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts. Find us on social: @KFUOradio on Facebook, X, and Instagram. A blessed Holy Week to you! On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.) we continue in 2 Samuel, studying chapters 12-16. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as we begin a new study of the book of Genesis! Join us this Friday (4/18 at 10 a.m.) for a Good Friday service in German. The service will be broadcast live from Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Wartburg in Waterloo, IL.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD LUNCH:

Date: Friday, May 9th, 2025; **Cost:** \$20 per person; **Deadline:** April 25, 2025

Menu: Tuna or chicken salad on croissant, veggie tray with ranch dip, fruit salad and lemon meringue pie; **Program:** **Campus Plan;** *Vicki Biggs, Senior Vice President, Seminary Advancement and Chief Communications Officer, Kathy Luther, Executive Director, Seminary Support;* **Your Seminary's Mission, Vision and Strategic Priorities;** *President Dr. Thomas J. Egger; Election of vice president, treasurer, and corresponding secretary;* **Checks:** Make payable to Concordia Seminary Guild; Mail: 2076 Henley Woods, Arnold, MO 63010; **Questions?** Call Mary Jane Autry at 314-578-9158

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618/853-7300

COS Track: Our track team will be participating in the Red Bud Track Meet on Tuesday, April 15 at 4:00 p.m. The team will also be in the Chester Meet on April 22 at 4:00 p.m. Come and watch the Soldiers in action!

COS Prom and Post Prom are on April 26. Our students are looking forward to "The 70's Prom." Some pictures will be posted to Facebook after the event.

High School Administrator needed to begin July 1. Administrative certification not required. Call 618-853-7300.

Athletic Director is needed soon to start arranging the sports schedules for 2025-2026. Call school for details.

Registration for 2025-2026 is open! If you know a high school student, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. Call 853-7300 to schedule a shadow day or a meeting with our administrator, Mrs. Sherry Prange. Learn more about *COS* and download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org.

POOL MANAGER POSITION:

The City of Red Bud is seeking a Pool Manager for the Red Bud City Swimming Pool. The pool operates during the summer, following the Red Bud CUSD #132 school calendar. Ideal candidates should be available to work part-time in the spring to assist with pool preparations for the season. Summer hours will align with the pool's daily operations. The Pool Manager reports directly to the City Superintendent and may be required to submit reports to the City Council when applicable. This is a part-time, seasonal position with an hourly rate of \$25 per hour. This position also is eligible for the Paid Leave for All Workers Act time off benefit as well. For a full list of job responsibilities, tasks and application to apply, please visit the city's website or email Liz Cowell at financeofficer@cityofredbud.org.

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Senior Pastor Mark Winkelman 815/499-1135

Associate Pastor Brian Nowak 708/369-7741

Principal – Mr. Justin Palm 618/214-1103

Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 618/340-6055

Director of Christian Education/School Librarian–Mr. Bill Becker 618/282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Sara Shepherd and Miss Cynthia Wilson

Senior Youth – Kirk and Stephanie Liefer 618/967-0804

Junior Youth – Erin Kuehn 618/581-5928

Sherry Prange, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade (*Homeroom*) – Bill Becker

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss

Before/After School Care – Susan Luttmann

School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz,

Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Madison Falkenhain,

Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison Trask,

Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements, Tori Muench, Diane Everding, Molly Huether, Cailee Strong,

Ashlynn Crafton, Ally Hodges, Christine Liefer.

Church Council

Chairman: Michael DeRousse Vice-Chairman: Kevin Guebert

Secretary: Joan Ruwald Treasurer: Eric Fritsche Board of Finance: Becky Biffar

Elder Chair: Stuart Langrehr Parish Education Chair: Kortney Moll

Trustee Chair: Leonard Salger Estate Fund Chair: Thomas Mulherin

Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Rebekah Liefer

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Winkelman

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (10:30 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Kellen Herriman; (8 a.m.) Lucas Summers; (10:30 a.m.) Maverick Cowell

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia & Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Clyde & Kathy Rowold

(10:30 a.m.) Gerald & Jill Hanebutt

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Breann Muench

Flower Servers: Jill Hanebutt & Martha Krick

Paraments: Irma Birkner