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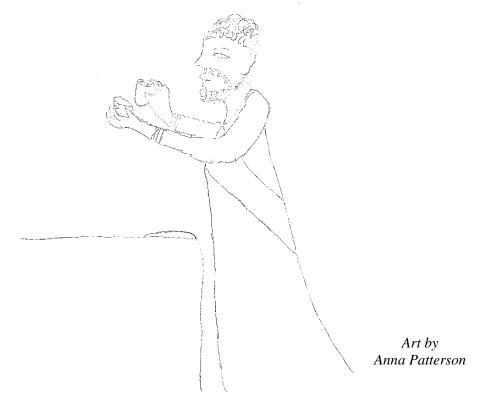
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The voice of the suffering savior, Jesus, can be heard in the prophet Isaiah's words and the pleading of the psalm. We are invited into the agony of our Lord in the extended reading of the story of Jesus' passion. In the second reading, we who have put on Christ in holy baptism are urged to let the mind of Christ be our own. Lent leads us to this holy moment. Embrace it.

# Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

We would like everyone to fill out the Friendship Pad at the end of the pews and pass it along for all to fill out. Please also mark the names of all in the family who are receiving Communion. If you are visiting, please include your address and phone number.

**Nursery:** Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service. **Children's Worship Bulletins are available** at both entrances.

We are delighted to have you.

## -ORDER OF WORSHIP -WOV SETTING 5 BREAD OF LIFE

#### WELCOME

#### **ACCLAMATION:**

- L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. C: Hosanna to the Son of David.
- L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

#### PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

We are entering into the final days of Jesus' journey to the cross. Today we start with his triumphant entry to Jerusalem. Let us hear the word from scripture.

L: A reading from Luke.

<sup>28</sup>After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup>When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup>They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying,

# C: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

<sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### BLESSING OF THE PALMS:

- 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: 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 the holy city of 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. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen** P: Let us go forth in peace, **C: in the name of the Lord.**

#### **GATHERING HYMN:**

# "HOSANNA, HOSANNA!"



- Motion as if laying coats on ground.
   Hands waving branches in air.
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- Point finger as if scolding.
- Point upward.
- Cup hands around mouth from beginning of chorus. Or you may clap in rhythm.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray.

C: Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

#### "HOSANNA TO OUR KING"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We are going to make a palm cross.



### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (SPOKEN)**

Christ 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 ev'ry name. (*Phil. 2:8-9*)

#### GOSPEL READING: Luke 22:14-23:56

We will read the gospel reading together. Congregation will play multiple roles in the story such as the disciples, the crowd, and one criminal on the cross.

The congregation's parts are in bold. Let us journey with Jesus.

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 22:14-23:56 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Please be seated.

<sup>14</sup>When the hour came [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup>for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup>for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup>Then he took a loaf of 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." <sup>20</sup>And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. <sup>21</sup>But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. <sup>22</sup>For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" <sup>23</sup>Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

<sup>24</sup>A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. <sup>25</sup>But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup>But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. <sup>27</sup>For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

<sup>28</sup>"You are those who have stood by me in my trials; <sup>29</sup> and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, <sup>30</sup> 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.

<sup>31</sup>Simon, Simon, Listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, <sup>32</sup>but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." <sup>33</sup>And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" <sup>34</sup>Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."

<sup>35</sup>He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "**No, not a thing.**" <sup>36</sup>He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. <sup>37</sup>For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless';

and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled." <sup>38</sup>They said, "**Lord, look, here are two swords.**" He replied, "It is enough."

<sup>39</sup>He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. <sup>40</sup>When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." <sup>41</sup>Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, <sup>42</sup>"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done." <sup>43</sup>[Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. <sup>44</sup>In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.] <sup>45</sup>When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

<sup>47</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; <sup>48</sup>but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" <sup>49</sup>When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "**Lord, should we strike with the sword?**" <sup>50</sup>Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup>But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup>Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? <sup>53</sup>When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

Peter was following at a distance. <sup>55</sup>When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. <sup>56</sup>Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." <sup>57</sup>But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." <sup>58</sup>A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" <sup>59</sup>Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "**Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.**" <sup>60</sup>But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. <sup>61</sup>The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." <sup>62</sup>And he went out and wept bitterly.

<sup>63</sup>Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; <sup>64</sup>they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?" <sup>65</sup>They kept heaping many other insults on him.

<sup>66</sup>When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. <sup>67</sup>They said, "**If you are the Messiah, tell us.**" He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; <sup>68</sup>and if I question you, you will not answer. <sup>69</sup>But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." <sup>70</sup>All of them asked, "**Are you, then, the Son of God?**" He said to them, "You say that I am." <sup>71</sup>Then they said, "**What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!**" <sup>23</sup>:

<sup>1</sup>Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. <sup>2</sup>They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." <sup>3</sup>Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." <sup>4</sup>Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." <sup>5</sup>But they were insistent and

# said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.

<sup>6</sup> When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. <sup>8</sup>When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. <sup>9</sup>He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

<sup>13</sup>Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, <sup>14</sup>and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. <sup>15</sup>Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup>I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

<sup>18</sup>Then they all shouted out together, "**Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!**" <sup>19</sup>(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) <sup>20</sup>Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; <sup>21</sup>but they kept shouting, "**Crucify, crucify him!**" <sup>22</sup>A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." <sup>23</sup>But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup>So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup>He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

<sup>26</sup> As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup> A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. <sup>28</sup> But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup> For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' <sup>30</sup> Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' <sup>31</sup> For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup>and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

<sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has

done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup>He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

<sup>44</sup> It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup>while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup>When the centurion saw what had taken place; he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." <sup>48</sup>And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. <sup>49</sup>But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

<sup>50</sup> Now, there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, <sup>51</sup>had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. <sup>52</sup>This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>53</sup>Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. <sup>54</sup>It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. <sup>55</sup>The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. <sup>56</sup>Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise you, O Christ.

**REFLECTION** Pastor Miho Yasukawa



What does it mean that Jesus died for you and me?

#### "O SACRED HEAD, NOW WOUNDED" **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW #351** 



- shame weighed down. sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and
- How pale thou art with an guish, with sore a buse and What lan-guage shall I bor row to thank thee, dear est friend,
- Lord, bc my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I dic; must



scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown; thy face now lan - guish, which once was does bright as morn! pit - y end? this dy - ing sor - row, thy with - out mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners gain; make me thine for - ev and should I er, faint-ing be. These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move:



#### **CREED**

#### **Christ Hymn** (Philippians 2:5-11)

The Christ Hymn is one of the earliest creeds. It describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all. Today we will read the Christ hymn as our profession of faith.

A: We join with Christians of the first century and confess our faith in the words of the Christ Hymn in Philippians.

A: <sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

C:6who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### THE PRAYERS

After each petition: WA: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great

WA: Trusting in Christ's passover from death to new life, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence

**WA:** God, most holy and humble, plant in your church Christ's spirit of humility. Remove any barriers preventing us from seeing his saving work on the cross. Give us words of love to encourage the weary and to sustain one another in word and deed.

Hear us, O God. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

**WA:** You reveal your will for all creation through stones, seas, mountains, and meadows. In the splendor of what you have made, show us your care for everything, both great and small. Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.** 

**WA:** Rescue those who suffer torture, and free those held captive by others. Bring to light the hidden systems that perpetuate injustice among your people. We pray for our friends in Pine Ridge. Protect them every day with your loving care.

Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Pour courage and hope into people who feel like they are wasting away in distress and grief, we especially pray for *Bob Lyvers*, *Dick and Rene Johnson*, *Gene and Vivian Hesselbacher*, *Sheridan Brinker*, *Lois Paulsen*, *Steve Fahr*, *Abby Brinker*, *Kelly Derr*, *Greg Lloyd*, *Donna Euler*, *Robin Cross*, *Connor Stadermann*, *Jaden*, *Jon Forsythe*, *Brooke*, *Meghan*, *Sylvia*, *Diane*, *Darren*, *Myron Coaty*, *Deb Lindeman Harder*, *Tim Coleman*, *Cindy Tessendorf*, *Larry Larson*, *Randy*, *Brian*, *Fred*, *Don Hoge*, *Vicky Gobeli*, *the Heimann family*, *Aleta Broge*, *Richard Gordon*, *Shriley*, *Steven DeHaven*, *Jim and Susie*. Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to *Fern Harnish*. Restore their trust in you, even as you meet their every need.

Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

**WA:** Open our hearts and minds to receive your unconditional love to all people. Thank you for giving one another to love and know you well. We especially pray for your children at Good Shepherd. For Nick, Sarah, Nathaniel, and Cameron Baker, for Tina Raders and Amanda Lessman, for Steve and Cindy Fahr. Let your love shower over them.

Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

**WA:** Gather your saints into the new covenant that Christ has established for all creation. When we fall into sin, continually renew us until Christ dwells with us again in fullness. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.** 

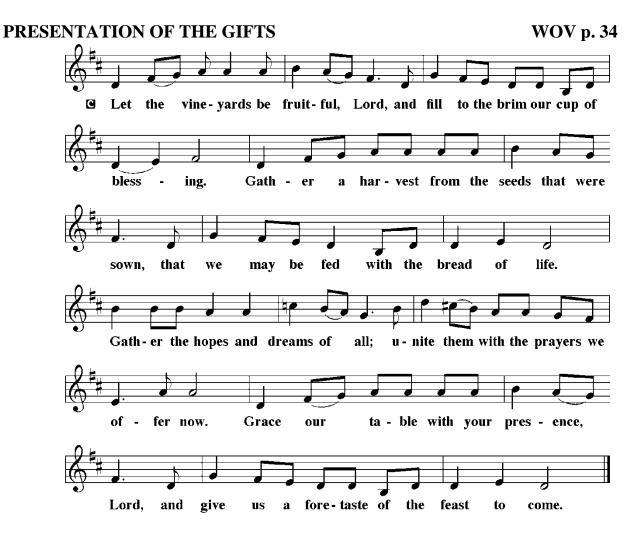
**P:** Attend to the needs of the whole world with your saving grace, and lead us all into new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.** 

#### **PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**

What is the offering? The offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us. Offerings can take various forms such as prayer, voices, time, fruit from the land, money, and being the hands and feet of God's works in the world. Give thanks to our Lord!



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

C: Generous God, you feed us with the harvest of the land, and you provide for our every need. Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor, and transform them into a feast that welcomes all, in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest. Amen.

### **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

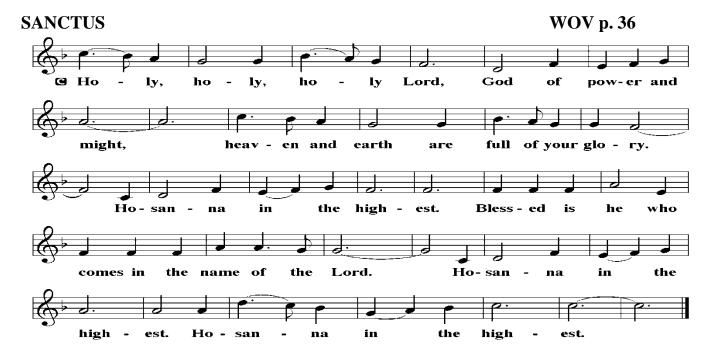
C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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**

We practice open Communion — Christ invites us to the table. All baptized Christians are welcome to partake the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive a blessing, you may come forward. Holy Communion will be celebrated by intinction (dip the bread into the chalice). The gold chalices have wine; the chrome chalices have grape juice. You will be ushered down the center aisle and returned to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.

THE LORD'S



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.** 

#### **COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**

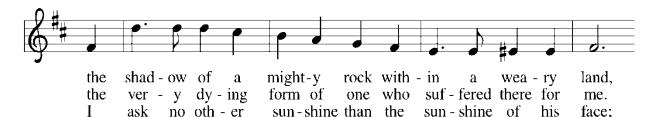
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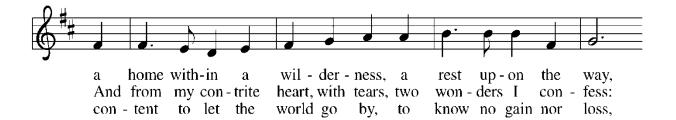
P: God, who walks besides the suffering, Christ, who humbled himself for us, Holy Spirit, 

#### "BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS" SENDING HYMN ELW#338



- Jc -2 Up - on the cross of sus, my cyc at times can scc take. 0 for
- cross, your shad ow a - bid - ing place; my







from the burn - ing of the noon-tide heat and bur - dens of the day. the . . . won - der of glo-rious love and his my un - wor - thi - ness. my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the

# **DISMISSAL** (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you. C: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE Tena Rackow** 

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Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Tena Rackow

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<u>Communion Asst</u>: Marybeth Brinker and Shirley Fox <u>Communion Usher</u>: Troy and Cindy Doubler

Communion Set-up: Bob and Sharon Schlachter

Sound System: Wayne Kurth and open

<u>Greeters</u>: Gary and Cynthia Boeke, Donna Gullickson, Paul Fox <u>Ushers</u>: Chris and Angie Brinker, Troy Keene, Andrew Martin

Elevator Operators: Anna Patterson

# THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD April 14<sup>th</sup> through April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Today	Palm/Passion Sunday Worship Service	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
	Lenten Luncheon at Lena UMC	12:00pm
Thursday	Maundy Thursday Service at Good Shepherd	5:00 pm
	Maundy Thursday Service at United Methodist Church	7:00pm
Friday	Good Friday Service at United Methodist Church	5:00 pm
	Good Friday Service at Good Shepherd	7:00pm
Saturday	Preparation for Easter Breakfast	4:00 pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Sunrise Worship Service - Holy Communion</b>	7:00 am
·	Easter Breakfast	8:00 am
	Easter Festival Service – Holy Communion	9:30 am

Attendance: April 7 – 59 Mid-Week Evening Service, April 3<sup>rd</sup> -7

Total Offering 04/07/2019 - \$2264.00; amount needed - \$2679.24

An AED (defibrillator) is located on the wall in the Fellowship Hall in case of an emergency. The device is designed to deliver calm, clear voice instructions precisely timed to the responder's actions, guiding the responder every step of the way. When the door is open an alarm goes off to alert others that there is an emergency.

#### **Mobile Food Pantry**

The Northern Illinois Food Bank's Mobile Food Pantry will come back to Lena on Tuesday, April 23 from 4pm-6pm at the parking lot of the Le-Win Food Pantry (130 ½ Main Street, Lena). It is open to everyone. Please bring your bags or boxes.

#### **Graduating?**

If you or someone in your family is graduating this spring, we would like to recognize them in the service.

Please contact the church office.

#### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications must be filled out and returned by April 30<sup>th</sup>

FHN Hospice Volunteer Training

Beginning April 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 4<sup>th</sup> FHN will be hosting Volunteer Training from 5:30pm-8:00pm. Volunteer Training provides information on all aspects of hospice care and hospice volunteering, and equips their volunteers to provide compassionate care and companionship for terminally ill people and their families. Volunteers can provide a large variety of services – relief for caregivers, running errands, delivering supplies and much more. For additional information please contact Hospice Volunteer Coordinator at 1-877-600-0346 extension 960 if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

## **American Cancer Society**

It's that time of the year, time for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Relay For Life is a grass roots, community-based team event. Every Relay For Life event is different, they do have a few things in common. We begin the event by honoring everyone who's been affected by cancer and everyone who has contributed to the success of this year's successful relay season, Survivors and Caregivers are the heart and soul of Relay For Life events. During the Luminaira Ceremony hundreds of luminaira light the track or path to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease that have taken too much. The suggested luminaira donation amount is \$10. each. If you are interested donation forms are available in Fellowship Hall, or speak to Sue Diddens, for questions phone 815-821-3524.

#### **Holy Week Schedule Services**

Our Holy Week services are joint services with UMC, Lena.

Maundy Thursday Service: April 18<sup>th</sup> at Good Shepherd at 5:00pm and UMC at 7:00 pm At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. Jesus washed his disciples' feet which made them uncomfortable. Our service will explore the theme that God makes us uncomfortable. Both services celebrate Holy Communion.

Good Friday Worship Service April 19<sup>th</sup> at UMC at 5:00pm and Good Shepherd at 7:00 pm Good Friday service is quiet and reflective. This year we read the passion narrative using our senses including touching linens, wood pieces, thorns, nails and stones.

## Easter Worship Services April 21st

Sunrise Service at 7:00am - Easter Breakfast at 8:00am - Easter Festival Service at 9:30am

# All Youth and Children of Good Shepherd:

We will be meeting on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm

to prepare for the Easter Breakfast.

Also, on Easter Sunday, April 21st we will meet at 7:30 am to serve the Easter Breakfast together.

#### **Easter Breakfast**

Will be on Sunday, April 21 at 8:00am. Menu includes eggs, ham, cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice, milk and coffee. Please fill out the reservation form TODAY if you are planning to come. Thank you for supporting our youth.

Easter Breakfast Reservation	
Name:	
Number of people attending:	