



Community of the Cross Lutheran Church

Palm Sunday and Rite of First Communion
April 13, 2025 • 10:45 a.m.



GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

“Jesus, I Believe”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 19th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING SONG

“He Is Exalted”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Kristin Henak

READING

Philippians 2:5-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Thy Word”

GOSPEL

Luke 23:1-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 23rd Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Joseph Schattauer Paillé

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

HOLY COMMUNION

Gluten-free wafers are on the stand between servers. White grape juice is available on the trays.

There are no outcasts, strangers, or unwelcome guests at Christ's table. All are welcome.

OFFERING

SONG OF REFLECTION

“Remember Me”

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world.

As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION

Colin Anderson, Audrey Baroun, Lillian Ross, Saoirse Schouten

DISTRIBUTION

“Come To The Table”

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

C: We are all called to be ministers— (CCLC Vision Statement)
Welcomed by the love of Jesus Christ,
Nurtured in faith by the Holy Spirit,
Sent to share God’s promises with others.

SENDING SONG

“Chainbreaker”

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: Thanks be to God!

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Touching Lives with the Love of God

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