

Vasa Lutheran Church

Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

Pastor Maureen Hagen

Accompanist: Anne Anderson

Sunday, April 2, 2023

ANNOUNCING THE DAY Psalm 118:25-29

L: Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!

C: O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

L: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

C: We bless you from the house of the LORD.

L: The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

**C: Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.**

L: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

C: you are my God, I will extol you.

L: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

C: for his steadfast love endures forever.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

ELW 344

GREETING

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

C: Hosanna in the highest.

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: and also with you.

Kyrie



1, 3	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
2	Chris - te e - le - i - son.	Chris - te e - le - i - son.
1, 3	Lord, have mer - cy.	Lord, have mer - cy.
2	Christ, have mer - cy.	Christ, have mer - cy.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY: Righteous God, **you brought your son Jesus into Jerusalem to show people the radical grace of your love. Show us this grace, and give us eyes to see your goodness. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:1-17

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately. " 4 This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; 7 they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10 When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" 11 The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

12 Then Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. 13 He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you are making it a den of robbers." 14 The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he cured them. 15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the amazing things that he did, and heard the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they became angry 16 and said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise for yourself?'" 17 He left them, went out of the city to Bethany, and spent the night there.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to you, Oh Lord.

HYMN

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

ELW 343

We will sing verses 1-3.

SERMON

HYMN

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

ELW 343

We will sing verses 4-6.

CONFESSION OF FAITH using the words of the Apostles' Creed
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION: Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

GENEROSITY MOMENT

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
now and forever. **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.**

DISTRIBUTION *We will receive communion by kneeling at the railing. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available for those who have dietary restrictions. Children will receive a blessing.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Embodied God, **at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY

ELW 324

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: God, the giver of love,
✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth
bless you in this Lenten journey.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace.
Serve in love.

C: Thanks be to God.



Eileen Anderson, Irene Carpenter, Deloris Clemens, Paul Mikaelson, Sara Jacobson Parker, Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist, Agi TriFontaine, Nancy Trelstad and Jake Jacobson.

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

All Glory Laud and Honor

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821;

tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

Kyrie

Music: Dinah Reindorf, b. c. 1927

My Song is Love Unknown

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624–1683, alt.

Music: John Ireland, 1879–1962

In the Cross of Christ I glory

Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872

Music: Ithamar Conkey, 1815–1867

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PARISH PULSE:

March 26 & 29

Participating in Worship: **77**

+9 live-streams

Total Offerings: \$3,152.00

Worship Assistants Today:

Usher: *Volunteer Needed*

Reader: Tim Carlson

Hospitality: Sue Hedeon

Comm. Asst: Bruce Tilderquist

Worship Assistants Next Week

(04/09 – Easter Sunday)

Usher: Kevin Eckblad

Reader: Melanie Carlson

Comm. Asst.: Megan Carlson

Hospitality: *Volunteer Needed*

Free Community Dinner



Community Dinner Reservations are due this Wednesday, April 5th !

There are still plenty of opportunities to volunteer with meal prep on April 11, and April 12. Sign up at church or at the Lutheran Center!



Holy Week

SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY	April 6 th	7:00PM
GOOD FRIDAY	April 7 th	7:00PM
EASTER	April 9 th	9:00AM

PASTOR MAUREEN WILL BE ON VACATION FROM APRIL 10TH-APRIL 15TH. SHE WILL RETURN TO LEAD WORSHIP AND WELCOME GUEST PREACHER, REV. MATT LARSON, ON SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH.



➤ **There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday! Sunday school will resume on April 16, with the Sunday School year ending on April 30th with a PARTY!**

- **There will be no Wednesday Evening activities on April 12. Faith Formation and worship will resume at the usual times (5:30 & 6:30) on April 19th. The Wednesday worship service is very informal, includes conversation about the Scripture text and also communion. As we move into the variable schedules of summer, we welcome you to consider this alternative service.**



Window Repair on the Steeple:

Jim Hedeem of the Window Task Force brought a recommendation to the council that Joe Diethelm of Studio 300 in Red Wing be contracted to remove and rebuild the two windows on the south face of the steeple. The council voted to approve this recommendation and steps were taken this week to move forward on this project. The cost is projected to be about \$12,000.00. This expenditure was approved at the congregational meeting on February 26, 2023. There is money in two memorial accounts to cover this expense.



April 20th-21st
Doors open
9AM each day!

The 2023 Vasa/Welch Area Rummage Sale is coming up soon and it's never too early to start sorting! Drop-off times are as follows:

Saturday, April 15th 10-3

Sunday, April 16th 10-2

Monday, April 17th Noon-5

Tuesday, April 18th Noon-5

Wednesday, April 19th

Bake Sale Items ONLY from
Noon-7.

SEE THE APRIL VASA VOICE FOR MORE SALE DETAILS!



**We, the Vasa Congregation,
Called by God, commit to:
Worshipping together,
Growing in Faith,
Serving Others, and
Welcoming and loving all!**