



SUNDAY OF THE PASSION – PALM SUNDAY

Year A – Holy Communion – ELW Setting Four

Cross of Hope Lutheran Church
April 02, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.
(Order Of Worship)

Assembly gather outside the church

GATHERING

Pastor: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The holy gospel according to Luke
Glory to you O Lord.

THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

BAPTISM HYMN

Borning Cry

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'til rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL Matthew 21:1-11

Pastor: The gospel of our Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Pastor: 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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

PROCESSION

Assisting: Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ. Amen.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor – ELW 344

**Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor To you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. **Refrain**

The company of angels are praising you on high;
creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. **Refrain**

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. **Refrain**

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. **Refrain**

Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. **Refrain**

P.D.; Text: Theodulph of Orleans; tr. John M. Neale
Music: Melchior Teschner

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Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his suffering, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray.

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

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

with selections from *Who Do You Say That I Am?* by Lloyd Larson

Voices of Hope: He is the King of Glory!

Scene 1 - The Passover

ELW 347 Go to Dark Gethsemane v1- *choir* v2,3 - *all*.

Scene 2 - The Garden

Hymn 348 Stay with Me - *Voices of Hope once then all join!*

Scene 3 – Betrayed and Denied

Voices of Hope: Man of Sorrows

Scene 4 – The Crucifixion

Voices of Hope: Truly, This Was God's Son

Scene 5 - The Tomb

The Passion of our Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (*Merciful God ... **receive our prayer***)

MINISTRY MOMENT - Holy Week Invitation

MEAL

OFFERING

Martha Hughes, Oboe

OFFERING SONG

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

(ELW 184)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray... God of good gifts receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.
Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

COMMUNION

*Lamb of God
Beneath the Cross of Jesus
O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

ELW p. 154 (72)
ELW 338
ELW 351

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Assisting: Let us pray... 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

BLESSING

God, the giver of love,

✝ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in the Lenten Journey. **Amen.**

Prayer for Peace...O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great Love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows and give peace to your church,
Peace among nations ... Peace in our homes, and Peace in our hearts,
through your son Jesus, Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

St. Luke Church, Chicago

DISMISSAL

Assisting: Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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