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Lakeshore Presbyterian Church  
March 29, 2026  
Pastor Bill Davis, presiding

*Palm Sunday*

## **WELCOME**

**LENTEN CANDLE SERVICE** Readers **Kathy Pennanen, Mary-Beth Sheldon**

### **Reader 1:**

In this season of Lent, we reflect on our journey of faith with Christ, remembering that long ago God planted the Tree of Life, and yet it is on a tree that Christ is crucified. We are again reminded that life comes out of death, and we are promised that death does not have the final word.

### **Reader 2:**

We extinguish this final purple candle on this Palm Sunday, the last Sunday of Lent, remembering God's faithfulness through the cross upon which our Lord was crucified, that death will be no more, mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for Christ triumphs over death.

Together we pray:

**As the days lengthen, dear God, may we remember that you are the one who calls life out of death, that you are the Lord of our lives. In the name of Christ, may we have the strength found in him to journey towards the cross. Amen.**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Zechariah 9:9)

One: Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

**ALL: Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!**

One: Lo, your king comes to you.

**ALL: Triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey,**

One: On a colt, the foal of a donkey.

**ALL: Let us worship the LORD, our GOD**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you!**

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

*Please stand if you are able*

**HYMN “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” #89**

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
The little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple  
The joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them  
Close folded to His breast,  
The children sang their praises,  
The simplest and the best.

2 From Olivet they followed  
'Mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm branch waving,  
And chanting clear and loud;  
The Lord of earth and heaven  
Ride on in lowly state,  
Nor scorned that little children  
Should on His bidding wait.

3 “Hosanna in the highest!”  
That ancient song we sing,  
For Christ is our Redeemer,  
The Lord of heaven our King.  
O may we ever praise Him  
With heart and life and voice,  
And in His blissful presence  
Eternally rejoice.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Eternal God, we come before you today with palm branches in our hands and songs on our lips. But we confess that our hearts are often far from the praise we offer. We confess that we are fickle people. We hail you as King when it suits us, but we turn away when your kingdom demands our sacrifice. We prefer a King who solves our problems over a Savior who carries a cross. We seek power instead of humility, and comfort instead of the Way of Truth. Forgive us, Lord. Soften our hearts. Help us to follow you not just into the city, but all the way to the cross. Amen.**

## **PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### **RESPONSE OF PRAISE** Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

#### **CHOIR ANTHEM**      *“All Glory Laud and Honor”*

#### **SCRIPTURE** Mark 11: 1-11

<sup>1</sup>When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and said to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says to you, “Why are you doing this?” just say this, “The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.”’ <sup>4</sup>They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup>some of the bystanders said to them, ‘What are you doing, untying the colt?’ <sup>6</sup>They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. <sup>7</sup>Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

<sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

<sup>11</sup> Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

## **SERMON “The Victory”**

*Please stand if you are able*

## **HYMN “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” #91**

**1 Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;  
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.**

**3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
The wingèd squadrons of the sky  
Look down with sad and wondering eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.**

**4 Ride on! ride on, in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,  
Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.**

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us say what we believe:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.**

**He descended into hell; On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O LORD"

Hear our prayer, O Lord  
Hear our prayer, O Lord  
Incline Thine ear to us  
And grant us Thy peace

## THE OFFERING

### DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #101

1 When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

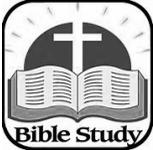
2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
 That were a present far too small;  
 Love so amazing, so divine,  
 Demands my soul, my life, my all.

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**FELLOWSHIP**

<p>Sue Dykstra                  Roger Sheldon                  Debi Singer -Regency on                  the Lake Room 206</p> 	 <p>Jill Sheldon</p>
 <p><b>Sundays</b>                  9 – 9:45 am</p>  <p><b>Thursdays</b>                  10:30 am</p>	 <p><b>4/1</b> Deacons 4pm  <b>4/2</b> E&amp;O 11am</p>
<p><b>Offering Counters</b>  <b>TODAY</b> Pat Moses, Barb Wismer</p>	<p><b>Ushers</b>  <b>TODAY – Team 1</b>                  Caroline Janosky Pat Moses                  Gary Baxter Sue Dykstra</p>
 <p>Called to do our part                  to advocate for justice</p> <p>Share your gift on  <b>March 29 &amp; April 5</b></p>	<p><b>Laniera (Lee) Fearnside</b>                  May 9<sup>th</sup> 1pm                  Light lunch following the service</p> 