

Abiding Peace Lutheran Church

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Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Abiding Peace Lutheran Church!



Abiding Peace Lutheran Church makes Christ known by welcoming all people to a supportive and accepting place to grow in faith and community and to serve the Lord as people created by God, saved by Christ, and nurtured by the Holy Spirit. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation, committed to the full inclusion and celebration of people of all sexualities, genders, and gender expressions, and to the work of racial equity.

In-person visitors are invited to share their contact information with the usher if they would like a follow-up with the pastor. Thank you for blessing us with your presence. We welcome children to worship and we encourage their participation, including their wiggles and child voices. There is a seating area at the back of the sanctuary with room for little ones to crawl around. If desired, there is also a nursery room available, accompanied by parents or guardians.

Offering: The Ministry of Abiding Peace is supported by the generous donations of our community. Please consider supporting our work through a variety of giving options, including donations through Venmo (search for @Abiding-Peace-BuddLake), online bill pay with your bank, mailing your offering envelope to the church, or plate giving.

Holy Communion: We commune at the altar rail. Please collect an individual cup from the usher when you come forward, or come forward at the end for the common cup. We offer either wine or juice and allergen-free bread. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, the usher can bring communion to you. You are also welcome to come forward with arms crossed for a blessing.

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Palm Sunday

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

Our Lenten Palm Sunday path has led us here, to a moment of celebration that holds within it the shadow of coming rejection. There is joy in the procession, but there is also warning. As we wave our palms, we are challenged to ask ourselves whether we do, in truth, have the same mind as was in Christ Jesus, who humbled himself rather than clinging to the praise that was offered to him on one condition: that of departing from the path God had set for him.

PRELUDE

Fanfare on ST. DROSTANE

John Bacchus Dykes
arr. Benjamin Schroeder

GATHERING

The congregation gathers in the narthex holding palms.

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

C Hosanna in the highest.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P We praise you, O God, for entering into Jerusalem, and for entering into Mount Olive today. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow Jesus throughout this Holy Week, that we, too, might follow the way of the cross and live in newness of life, for us and for all creation. We pray this in the name of the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Let us gather in peace,

C in the name of Christ. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor **ELW 344**

The Messengers Sacred Dancers will offer praise in movement while the cross leads the assembly, waving palms, into the sanctuary.

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re-deem-er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdainng the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For disregarding voices from the margins, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

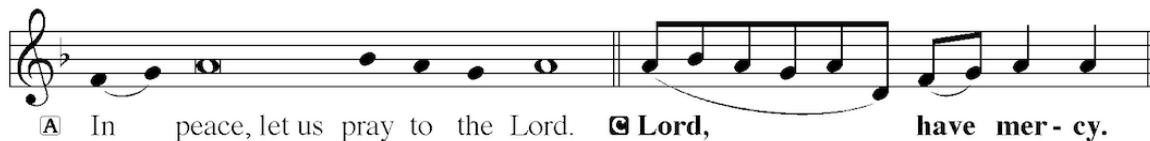
P For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P Beloved people, God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

C Amen.

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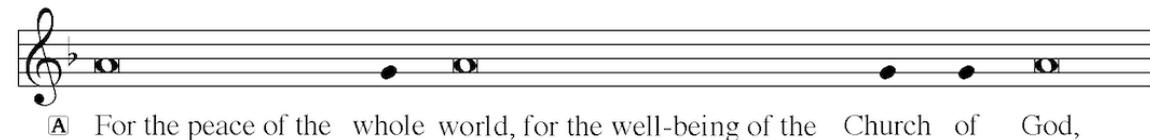
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer-cy.



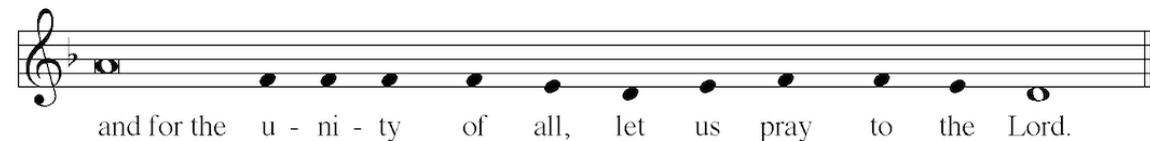
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



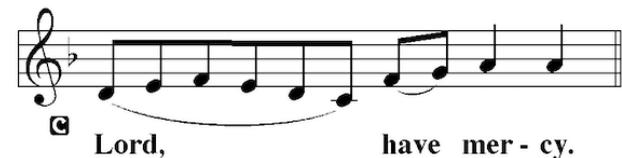
G Lord, have mer-cy.



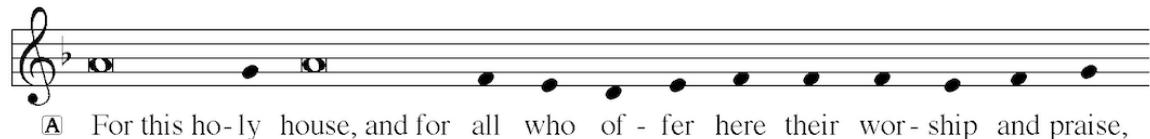
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



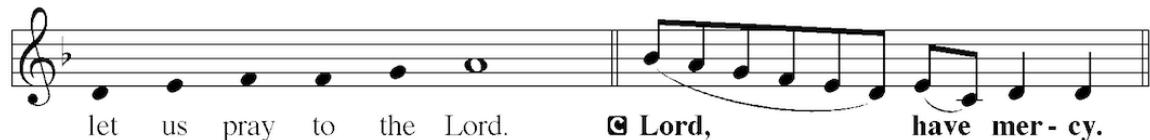
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



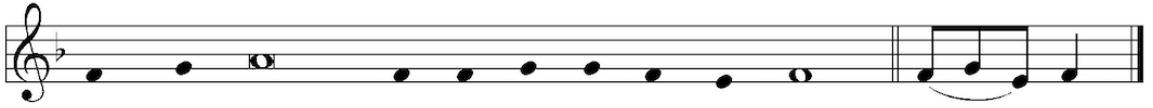
G Lord, have mer-cy.



A For this ho-ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer-cy.



Ⓐ Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. Ⓞ A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE



Ⓐ Glor - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Ⓞ Lord God, heav'n-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther: We wor - ship



you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, O Lord God,



Lamb of God: You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone
 are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Everlasting God,

C **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.**

Please be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

THE FIRST READING

Zechariah 9:9–10

The prophet of ancient Israel foretells a different kind of king, whose victory is paired with humility.

L A reading from Zechariah.

<p>Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion. Sing aloud, Daughter Jerusalem. Look, your king will come to you. He is righteous</p>	<p>and victorious. He is humble and riding on an ass, on a colt, the offspring of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot</p>
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from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem. The bow used in battle will be cut off; he will speak peace to the nations. His rule will stretch from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth.

L The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 118:1–4

The Psalm will be chanted responsively, by verse.

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;
God's mercy endures forever!
- 2 **Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever!"**
- 3 Let the house of Aaron declare,
"God's mercy endures forever!"
- 4 **Let those who fear the Lord declare,
"God's mercy endures forever!"**

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5–11

Paul uses an early Christian hymn to help us comprehend Jesus' obedient selflessness on the cross and how God has made Christ lord over all reality. The perspective of the cross becomes the way we rightly understand God, Christ, our own lives, and fellowship within the community of Christ.

L A reading from Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appear-

ance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee

should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for God is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1–11

Zechariah's prophecy is fulfilled in Jesus' entrance into the holy city. The striking procession gathers a jubilant crowd, but also generates tension.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter:

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 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. If anyone says anything to you,

just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

“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.”

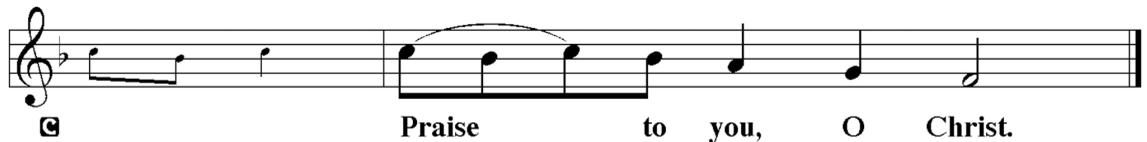
The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that 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!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S TIME

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows. All stand and sing the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty! **SBH 73**

Musical notation for the hymn "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!" The notation is on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of the following notes: Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), E5 (quarter), F5 (quarter), G5 (quarter), A5 (quarter), Bb5 (quarter), C6 (quarter), D6 (quarter), E6 (quarter), F6 (quarter), G6 (quarter), A6 (quarter), Bb6 (quarter), C7 (quarter), D7 (quarter), E7 (quarter), F7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), A7 (quarter), Bb7 (quarter), C8 (quarter). The lyrics are written below the staff in five numbered lines.

- 1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! Hear all the tribes ho - san - na cry;
- 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! The wing-ed squad-rons of the sky
- 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! Your last and fierc - est strife is nigh.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es-ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die,



O Sav - ior meek, your road pur - sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
O Christ, your tri - umphs now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
look down with sad and won - d'ring eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
The Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
bow your meek head to mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.
Music: ST. DROSTANE, John Bacchus Dykes, 1823–1876

THE NICENE CREED

C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A Loving God, your embrace is eternal. Praise and thanks to you for all the departed who rest in your mercy, including those who suffered or died in defense of your way of love. Deliver us all from death's power and raise us to life in you. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Holy God, you announce words of grace and truth. Give wisdom to all preachers in your church both globally and locally. Open the hearts of all who hear your word to encounter the infinite life you offer in Jesus. Hear us, O God

C Your mercy is great.

A Creator God, you hold the whole universe in your awareness. Gather sun and moon, clouds and stars, land and sea, and plants and animals to reflect the love we find in the cross, so that all creation bears witness to your grace. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Mighty God, your power is sure. Raise up your people to dismantle inequity and division in every place, and build your beloved community among all people. Guide judges, attorneys, and juries so that they act with justice and fairness. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Compassionate God, your heart breaks open at our pain. Send healing and vindication to all who, like Jesus, know the sting of betrayal, denial, abuse, or false accusations. Be with those experiencing pain or loss this day, and with those recovering from natural disasters, including the flooding in Hawaii. We pray for all who are mourning and for all on our prayer list, including Patricia, Alia, Aimee, Dean, April, Bella, Bodhi, Barbara, Susan & William, Scott, George, Sibylle, Leslie, Hailey, and Kate. (*Pause to allow additional prayers to be offered.*) We pray for all in harm's way, including essential workers, our armed forces, and all serving overseas. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Self-giving God, your ways reveal to us your willingness to set aside power in order to draw near to our lives. Let this same mind be in us toward all who suffer, as we enter Holy Week. Bless those here who will lead worship and tell the story of Jesus' death and resurrection. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our guide, our strength, and our salvation.

C **Amen.**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People share the sign of peace. Afterward, please be seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE OFFERING

Now we join Christians all over the world in worshipping God through the giving of our financial resources, in recognition and thanksgiving that all we have comes from God.

P Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

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CHOIR ANTHEM

Hosanna

Words and music by Natalie Sleeth

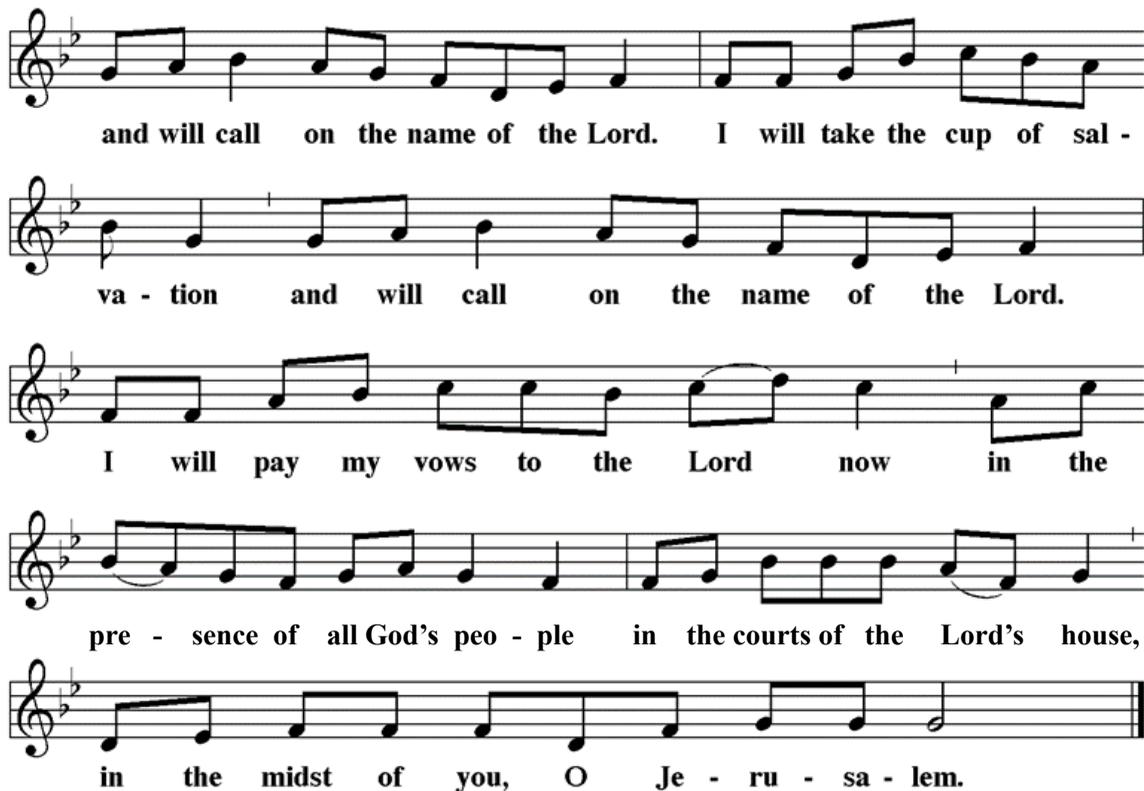
Please stand, if you are able.



What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all God's ben - e - fits to me.



I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing



and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -
 va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord.
 I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the
 pre - sence of all God's peo - ple in the courts of the Lord's house,
 in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

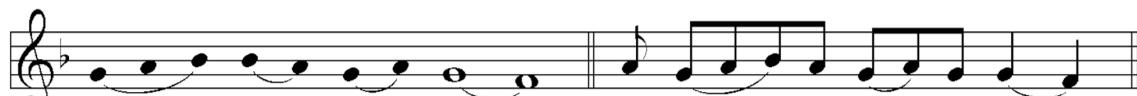
A O God, maker of heaven and earth,

C your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into communion with the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



☐ The Lord be with you. ☑ And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



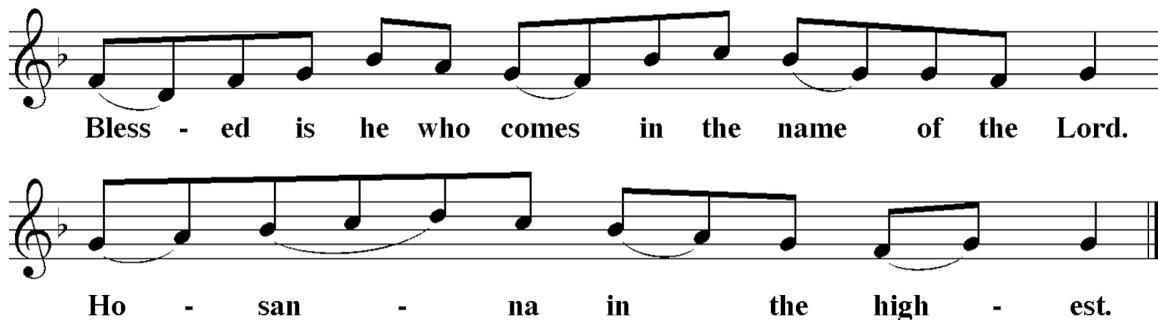
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



P God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way. In time of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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 of this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

C Amen.

P Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

C Amen.

P Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Jesus, unite us as we pray:

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.

Please be seated.

P Come to the table.

C We come to feast on God's goodness and mercy.

You will be invited to come forward to the altar rail, collecting a cup from the usher. Please observe distancing at the rail, hold your hand flat for the bread, and raise your cup for the chalice bearer to pour. You may leave your cup in the basket in the front row when you return to your seat.



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men

COMMUNION HYMN

Now Is the Time of Grace ACS 918

Now is the time of grace, now is the day of sal - va-tion.
Turn now, and seek God's face, now be-hold God's in-vi - ta-tion.

- 1 This is the fast that God would choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to let the captives go free,
and to break the yoke of oppression. *Refrain*
- 2 Sharing your bread with the hungry
and welcoming homeless in,
offering hope and offering help,
this is what God requires. *Refrain*

3 Then shall your light break forth as dawn,
and healing shall come to you quickly;
then you shall call and God shall answer,
God's love shall go before you. *Refrain*

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950, based on 2 Corinthians 6:2 and Isaiah 58:6-9

Music: TIME OF GRACE, Marty Haugen

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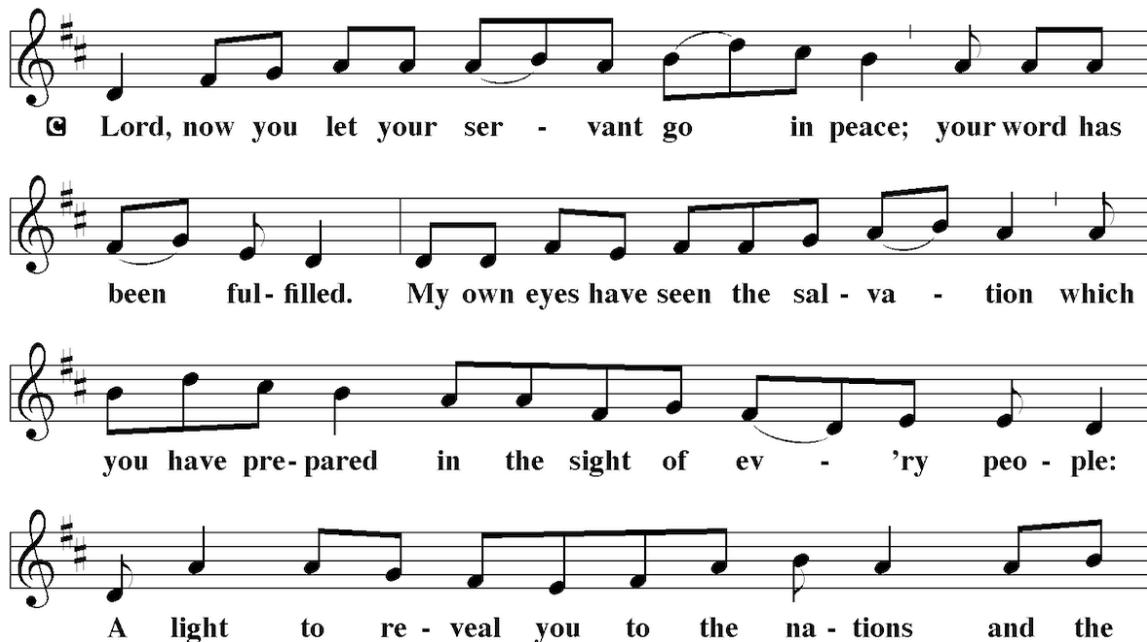
Stand, if you are able.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

A God of our salvation,

C we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey of faith. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace; your word has
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which
you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
A light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the

glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,

is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

THE BENEDICTION

P Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ☩ bless you now and always.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane ELW 347

All stand, as able, and sing.



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg-ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - rained;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re-deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm-wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.
all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854

Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Believe the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on GETHSEMANE

Richard Redhead
arr. Rex Koury



The Altar flowers are donated by Evelyn Jorgensen in memory of her beloved brother, Rüdiger.

The palms on the altar are given by Sandy Carlson and Tony Blondina in honor of the Abiding Peace family.

Next Week's Lessons:

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 28:1-10

Serving in Worship		
	Today, 3/29	Next Week, 4/5
Altar Guild	Sandy Carlson	Mary Kasakove
Counter	Anna Santino	Ursula Schroeder
Assistant Minister	Sue Stirrat	Doug Laird
Lector	Doug Laird	Anna Santino
Communion Assist.	Mary Kasakove	Howard Corneilson
Usher/Greeter	Howard Corneilson	Cindy Pawlo
Acolyte	Sandy Carlson	Sibylle Schroeder
Soloist	Sibylle Schroeder	Maria Jerez
Livestream Assistant	Tyler Rice	Tyler Rice

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Serena: Thurs 4/2: 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Fri 4/3: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sat 4/4: 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Sun 4/5: 6:15 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Catherine Belfiore: Thurs 4/2: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Keep These Friends in Your Prayers: Those who are sick or in need: Joshua Olsen, Jon, Cheryl Inglin, Judy Consentino, Jon & Maria, Sandy Kahler, Karen Qualls, Jim Tangen, Don Larsen, Joseph Horn, Ryan Manhardt, Grace Bessasparis, Jackson Cook, Donna Fahy, Jeanne Scalora, Valeriy Braginetz, Jennifer Kahler, Mark Dennis, John Corneilson, Karen & Ken Predmore, David Breault, Charles Wetzell, Patricia Coats, Alia Duffy, Aimee Nilsen, Lydia Millner, Dean Kowal, April Inglin, Bella Adams, Bodhi Maslow, Barbara P, Susan & William Swainy, Scott Schaefer, George Schroeder, Sibylle Scheiermann, Leslie Picinich, Hailey Ochs Plante, Kate Draven, Dawn Huber, Heinz, Ellen Parker, Vicki Gentler, Carol Baker, Shariff Stewart, Lisa Wolper, Maxine Wolper, Samy Dawood, David Laird, Peter Jensen, Joan Lewis, Jose, Brian Henkel, Judy Day, Mary Beth Mueller, Joseph DeSantis, Nancy Ayotte, Jenn DiDino, Nancy Tullo, Sue Corneilson, Mary & Gene Kasakove, Barb Phinney, Sarah Laird, Judy Wayman, Evelyn Jorgensen, Willey Langley, Courtney Eddington and Carol Schenck.

Those in mourning: Evelyn Jorgensen and family mourning the lost of her half-brother, Rüdiger; The family of Barb Phinney, Ellen Lewis and family mourning the loss of Mike Lewis; The family of Otto Schroeder; The Persson Family on the loss of Kayla; Those mourning Dan Filin (partner of Pastor Serena's mom); The family of Dawn Parks; The loved ones of Carole Ernstrom; Those mourning Maria's mother, Juanita; The friends and family of Kenneth Johanson; The friends and family of the Benoit family who suddenly lost their daughter;

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Church office hours:** Pastor Serena will hold office hours this coming week on Thursday, due to Holy Week. She is also available for pastoral care by phone, zoom or other means on other days (Saturday is her day off). If you have a need to access the church building, please contact Pastor Serena.

- **Food Pantry Needs for April:** Parmalat milk, jam /jelly, canned fruit, juice, hot dogs & buns, frozen meatballs, mashed potatoes.

- **Altar Flowers:** Please consider signing up for altar flower donations. Price: \$17.50. If interested please sign up by the last Sunday of the prior month. You may sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex or send an email to Catherine Belfiore (aplcuddlake@gmail.com) with your dedication and the date you want the flowers on the altar and send your check to the church.

- **Interested in hosting a coffee hour?** Not hard. Just bring some store-bought baked goods. Coffee is already prepared ahead of time by the Altar Guild. Questions: Call Demetria Laird at 973-398-9614.

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This week at Abiding Peace

Sunday, March 29:

- Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Palm Sunday Vigil for Justice in Trenton 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Monday, March 30:

Tuesday, March 31:

Wednesday, April 1:

- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 2:

- Seder Dinner 6:15 p.m
- Maundy Thursday Service 7:30 p.m

Friday, April 3:

- Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.
- Good Friday Service 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 4:

- Zumba, 9:00 a.m.
- Easter Vigil Service, 7:30 p.m.

Next week at Abiding Peace

Sunday, April 5:

- Sunrise Service, 6:15 a.m.
- Easter Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Easter Brunch, 11:15 a.m.

Monday, April 6:

Tuesday, April 7:

- Faith Kitchen, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Tullo's Ballroom 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 8:

- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 9:

Friday, April 10:

Saturday, April 11:

- Zumba, 9:00 a.m.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 12 - Guest Preacher Rev. Lauren Applegate & Forum: Free to Be
Sundays, April 19, 26, & May 3 - Forum Series: Invite, Welcome, Connect
Saturday, April 25, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Faith Hope & Love Gathering
Monday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.-8:45 p.m. - Understanding & Resisting Christian Nationalism Zoom Workshop

For all live-streamed services, click (or type) the link below:

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