

# Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13, 2025  
9:30 a.m.

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

— Mark 11:9

## Welcome!

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*We begin Holy Week by celebrating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.  
We sing and shout and wave palms.*

## Prelude

*Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty!*

arr. Joel Raney

*At the 9:30 service, children are invited to join the Procession of Palms which takes place during the Opening Hymn. Gather in the Narthex, outside the Sanctuary, during the Prelude.*

## Liturgy of the Palms

*Please stand*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*All may hold up their palms for this blessing, said by the presider.*

Sovereign God, we thank you for these branches of palm.

By your blessing may they be for us signs of the victory of your Son.

May we who carry them in his name ever hail him as our Messiah,

And follow him in the way that leads to eternal life;

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

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 11th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples 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. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

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

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

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.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Today's Worship

### Participants

#### Musicians

Celina Kobetitsch, organ  
Sanctuary Choir  
SPD Ringers

#### Altar Guild

Kris Bransford  
Nicole St. John  
Beth Shoen

## The Processional Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God,

**as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory forever. Amen**

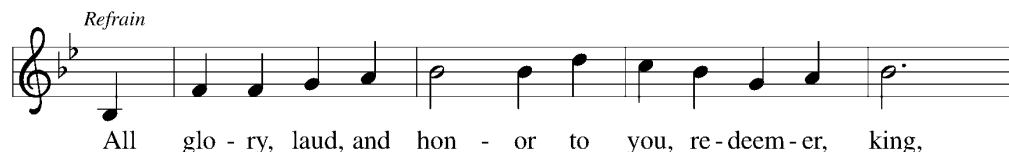
Let us proceed in peace. **In the name of Christ. Amen**

## Opening Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Red Hymnal #344

*The congregation waves palms during the refrain*



- 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,



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.

*The minister concludes the thanksgiving:*

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

## Greeting

The immeasurable grace of Christ Jesus, the rich mercy of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

**Anthem**

*Lamb of God*

arr. Lloyd Larson

**Children's Message**

Pastor Makayla Dahleen

**Holy Week Meditation**

**Readings**

Mark 11:15-19 *Jesus Cleanses the Temple*

Bible page 923

Mark 12:28-34 *The First Commandment*

Bible page 924

**Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*  
(stanzas 1 and 4)

Red Hymnal #631

**We Remember  
in Prayer ...**

Mike Windsor  
Jane Suhr  
Julie Otto  
Roxie Hamilton  
Mike Allen  
Keith Benson  
Tony Kauch  
Skylar Arroyo Hernandez  
Steven Wangstad

**Those Grieving**

The family & friends of  
Naomi Seeger, mourning  
her death

Chris Anderson & family,  
mourning the death of his  
mother, Shirley Anderson

**A Rose on the Font**

As an expression of our life  
together, a red rose on the  
baptismal font indicates that  
we have received news of a  
birth and a white rose that  
we have received news of a  
stillbirth or a miscarriage. As  
Paul writes, we "rejoice with  
those who rejoice and mourn  
with those who mourn."  
(Romans 12:15)

*To make a prayer request,  
send an email to  
prayers@spdlc.org.*



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

**Readings**

Luke 20:45-48 *Jesus Denounces the Scribes*

Bible page 959

Luke 21:1-4 *The Widow's Offering*

Bible page 959

## Next Week's Scriptures

To prepare for Easter next week, please read the following scripture passages:

Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Luke 24:1-12

## New Member Class

If you are interested in joining St. Philip the Deacon, please attend our next New Member Class:

**Monday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.**

Register at [spdlc.org/register](http://spdlc.org/register) or contact Cindy Carlson at 763-475-7115. Childcare is available. New Members will be received on Sunday, May 4.

## Hymn

When the Poor Ones

Red Hymnal #725



1 When the poor ones, who have noth - ing, still are giv - ing;  
2 When com - pas - sion gives the suf - f'ring con - so - la - tion;  
3 When our spir - its, like a chal - ice, brim with glad - ness;  
4 When the good - ness poured from heav - en fills our dwell - ings;



when the thirst - y pass the cup, wa - ter to share;  
when ex - spect - ing brings to birth hope that was lost;  
when our voic - es, full and clear, sing out the truth;  
when the na - tions work to change war in - to peace;



when the wound - ed of - fer oth - ers strength and heal - ing;  
when we choose love, not the ha - tred all a - round us;  
when our long - ings, free from en - vy, seek the hum - ble;  
when the strang - er is ac - cept - ed as our neigh - bor;



We see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way;



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## Readings

Matthew 26:1-4 *The Plot to Kill Jesus*

Bible page 905

Matthew 26:6-13 *The Anointing at Bethany*

Bible page 905

Matthew 26:14-16 *Judas Betrays Jesus*

Bible page 905

## Offering

“Surely he hath borne our griefs” from *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

Your offerings can be left in the offering plates at the entrance to the sanctuary, mailed to the church, given electronically at [spdlc.org/give](http://spdlc.org/give), or by scanning the QR code located on the back of the bulletin. Thank you for your generous support of God's mission and ministry at St. Philip the Deacon. Remember: Your gifts make a difference.

Please stand

## Offertory

Red Hymnal #811

**On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace,  
That life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase;  
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
Is my life, my hope's foundation, all my glory and salvation!**

**The Prayers . . . God, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*The people pray:*

**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**

## Benediction . . . Amen

### Closing Hymn

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

Red Hymnal #597



1 My hope is built on nothing less than  
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -  
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my  
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and  
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are  
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

### Dismissal

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

### Postlude

*Fugue in C Minor, Op. 37*

Felix Mendelssohn

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*We invite you to take your palm branch home with you  
as a reminder to be prayerfully present with Christ in this Holy Week.*

### Worship Schedule

Saturday 5 p.m.  
Sunday 8:15, 9:30<sup>+</sup>  
& 10:45<sup>+</sup>a.m.

<sup>+</sup>Sunday School meets.

Childcare is available at all  
Sunday services.

**Join us in Fellowship Hall  
for refreshments following  
8:15 & 9:30 a.m. services.**

## Pastors

**Tim Westermeyer**

Senior Pastor

**Mark Schmid**

Executive Pastor

**Valerie Strand**

**Patterson**

Adult Ministry Pastor

**Makayla Dahleen**

Pastor of Family Life

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**Susan Path**

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**Kathy Hagedorn**

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**Norah Long**

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**Trish Arndt**

Children's Ministry

**Amanda Berger**

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High School & Young Adult

**Charlie Olson**

Middle School

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**Celina Kobetitsch**

Organist

**Steve Griffiths**

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**JoBeth Ranfranz**

Bell Choir Director

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## This Week at St. Philip the Deacon

### SUNDAY, April 13

**8:15 a.m. Worship**

**9:30 a.m. Worship**

Sunday School/Sunday Friends

**10:45 a.m. Worship with**

**Holy Communion**

Sunday School

3 p.m. Herald Music Series: Cantus

### MONDAY, April 14

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

11:30 a.m. Healing Prayer

6:30 p.m. How to Know a Person

### TUESDAY, April 15

8 a.m. Men's Discussion Group

1 p.m. Thrive Cancer Support Group

1 p.m. Mary Martha Circle

5 p.m. Dynamic Deacons

5 p.m. Tuesday Story Time

5:35 p.m. Chancel Choir

5:35 p.m. Tuesday Story Time

6:30 p.m. AA Group

7 p.m. SPD Singers

### WEDNESDAY, April 16

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

9 a.m. Elizabeth Circle

9:30 a.m. Bible Study Fellowship

9:30 a.m. SPD Bible Study

11 a.m. Miriam Circle

1 p.m. Caregivers Support Group

5:15 p.m. SPD Singers

7 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

### THURSDAY, April 17—Maundy Thursday

9 a.m. Yoga

9:30 a.m. Moms in Prayer

10 a.m. Grace Circle

11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga

**7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship**

7 p.m. Sanctuary of Survivors

### FRIDAY, April 18—Good Friday

**5:30 p.m. Children's Good Friday Worship**

**7 p.m. Veneration of the Cross Worship**

### SATURDAY, April 19

10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

**5 p.m. First Light of Easter Worship with**

**Holy Communion**

### SUNDAY, April 20—Easter Sunday

**8 a.m. Worship with**

**Holy Communion**

**9:30 a.m. Worship with**

**Holy Communion**

**11 a.m. Worship with**

**Holy Communion**

† Livestreamed

*"Remember finally, that the ashes that were on your forehead were created from the burnt palms of last Palm Sunday. New beginnings invariably come from old false things that are allowed to die."*

—Richard Rohr

## Your Gifts Make a Difference

Each year, our church orders palm branches from Eco-Palms. Through the purchase of these palms, we are able to provide a fair wage to harvesters in poor communities in Guatemala and Mexico. The palms are sustainably harvested and managed in ways that help protect important forests as well as sustainable livelihoods. Thank you for your support of this important enterprise during the most important week of the church year. Remember: Your gifts make a difference.

## Did You Know

In our worship service today, we turn our attention to the life of Jesus during the first days of Holy Week.

We invite you to read the full account of these days in the following passages from the Gospels:

Matthew 21:12-26:15

Mark 11:12-14:11

Luke 19:41-22:6

John 12:20-17:26

Then, we gather again in worship on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter to fully enter into Jesus' journey through Holy Week.