

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; April 11-16, '22

Mon Isaiah 42:1-4 *Behold!* means to take a good, long, hard look, for this is important and deserves your attention. What did Isaiah see, and what does the Holy Spirit want us to see? We should see Jesus, of course, the Son of God, selected to *bring forth justice to the Gentiles* with a soft hand (1-3), efficient and steadfast until He has *established justice* wherever humans live on planet Earth (4). We thank You, dear Lord Jesus.

Tues Luke 19:28-40 presents more than a minor step in Jesus' victory parade, for it was *needed* to fit the empty space described in Psalm 50:10; so the Holy Trinity took care of it (28-35). Same with a second piece of the Holy Week puzzle (37-38). Even the snide remark of some Pharisees fit into its place (Habakkuk 2:11) – though without their knowing it. Jesus marched onward.

Wed Philippians 2:5-11 Now for some heavy theology: In heaven the Son of God volunteered to lay aside the use of His divine rights, come down to our planet, adopt the role of a servant, become obedient to the holy Law, and become our sin-offering on the cross – to provide reparation for humanity's treason. That's how Jesus earned every level of honor (10-11).

Thurs Jeremiah 31:31-34 Can it possibly happen that anyone ever gets re-claimed, refurbished, renovated? Yes, for God sees to it, just as He promises here. Note: What is NEW replaces and supersedes the OLD debris of all human self-improvement enterprises. Since God *forgives iniquity* and does not hold a grudge, we are drawn into His orbit via Jesus.

Fri Isaiah 52:13-53:12 is loaded with data that predict Good Friday, the day of infamy. But behind the scenes, God accomplished what God alone can get accomplished: load our griefs, sorrows, transgressions, iniquities, and waywardness onto Jesus, who alone was equipped with the ability and fueled by generous love to carry the load and turn the day of infamy into the day of salvation. Let us shout Hallelujah in the victory parade!

Sat Galatians 3:10-13 is the Readers Digest version of what we humans deserve (10-11), in contrast to what God dispenses. We Law-breakers are counter-balanced by our Substitute, who *became a curse for us*. Amazing grace, that God no longer curses us but blesses us. Let us kneel before Him, our self-sacrificing Savior.

April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday



HOSANNA
in the highest!



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

G **And with your spirit.**

P Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD!

G **Hosanna to the Son of David!**

G **Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring,
Came with peace from realms on high;**

**Jesus came to win redemption, Lowly came on earth to die;
Sing "Hosanna!" Sing "Hosanna!" Came in deep humility.**

Matthew 21:1-11

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front 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, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, ⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

G **Jesus comes again in mercy When our hearts are worn
with care; Jesus comes again in answer To an earnest,
heartfelt prayer; Sing "Hosanna!" Sing "Hosanna!"
Comes to save us from despair.**

✠ 2 ✠

Announcements

Welcome! We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book in the back of the church. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe and teach.

CLC Call News - Pastor Michael Wilke, Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, **has been called** to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL. + Allison Brown, a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, **has returned** the call to teach preschool part time at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. + Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran of Phoenix, AZ, **is still considering** the call to teach K-4 at Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA. + Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, **is still considering** the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI.

This Week:

Today, 11:15 am – Elders' Meeting
Wednesday, 9 am – Bible Class
(NO Wednesday Evening Lenten Service)
Friday, 7 pm – Good Friday Communion Service
Sunday, 8:30-9:30 am – Easter Brunch
Sunday, 10 am – Easter Service

<u>April 3rd Offerings:</u>	\$ 1,307.75
Weekly Offerings needed for budget	\$ 1,607.69
General Fund Balance	\$18,967.75
Faith-Blue Springs Balance	\$24,556.22
Total Cash All Funds	\$59,532.35



✠ 7 ✠

Psalm 8

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

There is Power in the Name of the King!

- I. The most powerful name of all.
- II. The name that gives power to the powerless.
- III. The name that overpowers every foe.

The Offertory

G ♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; And uphold me with thy free spirit. Amen.**

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Sermon Hymn: TLH #161

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Prayers, Lord's Prayer, and Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

G ♪ **Amen, amen, a – men.**

Hymn: TLH #162

"Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty"

✠ 6 ✠

Confession of Our Sins

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P On Palm Sunday, the crowds entering Jerusalem waved their palm branches and worshiped Jesus as the King who comes in the name of the Lord. On Good Friday, the crowds in Jerusalem rejected Jesus as their King and called for His crucifixion. On Pentecost, the crowds in Jerusalem were cut to the heart to hear from Peter that they had crucified the Lord of Glory. As we worship King Jesus today, let us flee to the Lord for mercy, humbly confessing that is our sin and guilt that caused His death on Good Friday.

G **Hosanna, Son of David, Son of God. We need Your salvation for we are sinful by nature and have sinned against God, dishonoring God with our sinful thoughts, sinful words, and sinful actions. All too quickly our lips go from praise to grumbling, from blessing to cursing. Not our palms, or praises, or anything we lay before You can make up or atone for our sins. Yet you come to us in the Name of the Lord, to be our Merciful Savior. You alone must save, or we perish. Save us, we pray, Jesus Christ our King.**

Absolution from Our God

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

P Be of good cheer, children of God, for Jesus Christ, the King of kings, humbled Himself and rode into Jerusalem to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. Christ loves us and gave Himself up for us, that He might reconcile us to the Father. Therefore, by the command of the King of kings and Lord of lords, Jesus Christ, I forgive you your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

G ♪ **Jesus comes to hearts rejoicing,
Bringing news of sins forgiv'n;
Jesus comes with words of gladness, Leading souls
redeemed to heav'n. Sing "Hosanna!" Sing "Hosanna!"
Hope to all the world is giv'n.**

✠ 3 ✠

The Introit

Ps. 24:7-10; Ps. 118:26

P Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.

G **Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

P Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

G **Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

P Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

G **Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.**



The Gloria Patri

TLH #160:1,4

Latin for "Glory be to the Father."

G ♪ **1. All glory, laud, and honor To Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, The King and Blessed One.**

**4. All glory, laud, and honor To Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
To Thee, before Thy Passion, They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.**

Collect Prayer of the Day

A prayer to God that collects together the thoughts and theme of the day.

P Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G ♪ **Amen.**

Isaiah 45:22-25

"Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other." ²³

By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.' ²⁴ "Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. ²⁵ In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory."

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Confession of Faith *Explanation to the 2nd Article of the Creed*

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

G **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death. He did this that I should be His very own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and joy, just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns in eternity. This is most certainly true.**

Hymn: **WS #725**

"No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"