



Salem Lutheran Church  
401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills IA 50450

Welcome to the House of the Lord  
Sunday of Passion, Palm Sunday  
April 9, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Today's liturgy begins with a palm procession, commemorating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Quickly the tone of the service changes as we meditate upon Jesus' passion and death. Because this story is so central to our faith, we hear Matthew's account of the passion today and John's version on Good Friday. Though Jesus is obedient even unto death on the cross, he is exalted by God. We gather to remember his offering for the life of the world, and to be fed by his life-giving mercy. This holy week will culminate in the celebration of the Three Days of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection.

#### PRELUDE

CD Music

#### GATHERING

#### ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna in the highest. (Three times)**

#### PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

#### *Jesus enters Jerusalem*

<sup>1</sup>When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>"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." <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>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!" <sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

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

#### BLESSING OF PALMS

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept.*

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

### PROCESSION

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

### PROCESSIONAL SONG

*Hosanna*

Carl Tuttle

Verse 1

Hosanna hosanna  
Hosanna in the highest  
Hosanna hosanna  
Hosanna in the highest

Verse 2

Glory glory  
Glory to the King of kings  
Glory glory  
Glory to the King of kings

### Chorus

**Lord we lift up Your name With hearts full of praise  
Be exalted oh Lord my God Hosanna in the highest**

CCLI Song # 21545

### THE PROCESSION CONCLUDES WITH:

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

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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 sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray.

*Silence is kept. Then the presiding minister prays the prayer of the day.*

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

### CHILDREN'S TIME

### CHILDREN SING

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

WHIRL Bible

Hosanna! Matthew's Holy Week

*Blessed Is He Who Comes*

Senior Choir and Creature Praise Choir

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence. Please respond at the end of each petition:*

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### OFFERING

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,  
our living Water and our merciful Guide,  
together with rivers and seas, wells and springs  
we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert,  
and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water,  
who joined us in our desert,  
pouring out his life for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life, death, and resurrection,  
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food  
and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:  
wash away our sin,  
that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Return to God with all your heart.

Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

**COMMUNION SONG** – CD or Special music provided

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



*Ride On, King Jesus*

*Refrain*

Ride on, King Je - sus, no one can-a hin-der me.

Ride on, King Je-sus, ride on, no one can-a hin-der me.

1 King Je - sus rides a milk-white horse, no one works like him,  
 2 I know that my re - deem-er lives, no one works like him,

*Refrain*

the riv - er Jor - d'n he did cross, no one works like him. Oh,  
 and of his bless-ing free-ly gives, no one works like him. Oh,

SENDING

SENDING SONG

*Jesus Remember Me*

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king - dom.

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**Preaching:** Pastor Joel Guttormson  
**Assisting:** Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey  
**Organist:** Ruth Sheldon  
**Acolytes:** Riley Kirschbaum and Kelsey Kirschbaum  
**Video Coordinator:** Hope Levine  
**April Altar Guild:** Gloria Kvale and Kathy Nelson

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Bonnie Sanden, from her family.

The radio broadcast this morning is given in loving memory of Vera Larson from her family.

The 8:30 a.m. worship service is broadcast weekly on KIOW-FM 107.3.

Reserve your special date to sponsor the 2017 8:30 a.m. worship service broadcast on KIOW (107.3 FM) radio in Forest City. The service can also be heard at 8:30 a.m. on cable channel 2.

Call the office to reserve your dates. Cost for 2017 is \$83.

Dates available: April 23, 30, May 7, July 9, 16, Aug. 13, Sept. 17, Oct. 29.

We also have a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 8:30 a.m. worship service.

Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. Call the office to reserve a date in 2017.

2017 Offering envelopes are on table outside the Chapel.

Those worshipping April 1/2: 236 March giving: \$23,486.51

# PRAYER

*changes things*

Please remember in prayer this week:

The family and friends of Elaine Ingebritson, Bonnie Sanden and Stanley Stover.

## 24 Hour Prayer Vigil

To commemorate Jesus hour of trial in the Garden of Gethsemane, Salem will be holding a 24 hour prayer vigil in the chapel. It will take place from after the Maundy Thursday, April 13th, until the Good Friday service begins on April 14th. Please sign up for one hour time slots to "watch and pray with Jesus". Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.



If you would like to donate an Easter lily for our Easter Sunday services in honor of or in memory of a loved one please call the office (641.592.1771) or email ([salem@wctatel.net](mailto:salem@wctatel.net)) the office with that information by **WEDNESDAY MORNING April 12<sup>th</sup>**. Lilies may be brought to the sanctuary on Friday or Saturday before Easter. Put your name on the bottom if you wish to pick it up after 10:30 worship on Easter Sunday.



### SUMMER CAMP AT RIVERSIDE LUTHERAN BIBLE CAMP

Attending Summer Camp between the milestones of a child's First Communion and their entering our Confirmation ministry can be a wonderful way for a child to build relationships, gain confidence, and grow in faith. **This year we have chosen August 6-11 as the week our youth can join Pastor Joel at Riverside, Story City IA, with other youth attending Junior High Camp.** The week includes everything that is awesome about Riverside: chapel, games, free time, Bible studies, swimming, optional horseback ride, slingshot paintball, and fellowship with other campers, challenge course, exciting speakers and much more! Come ready to have an awesome time with others your age in a place that is like no other.

Registration forms will be available in the office, during Sunday School, or can be downloaded from the Riverside Bible Camp website. Registrations must be returned to the church by Easter Sunday along with a non-refundable check in the amount of \$75. The remainder of the \$450 registration fee is being provided through the generosity of Salem's Enduring Gift Fund.

We, and/or the camp, can scholarship the non-refundable deposit if it is a financial hardship for any individual. Our goal is to offer every child at Salem entering in our Confirmation Ministry program this faith-forming opportunity.

## JUNIOR HIGH

ENTERING GRADES 6-9

Junior High Camp includes everything that is awesome about Riverside: chapel, games, free time, Bible studies, swimming, optional horseback ride, slingshot paintball, fellowship with other campers, challenge course, exciting speakers and much more! Come ready to have an awesome time with others your age in a place that is like no other!

### Registration Form Included in this packet

1. Program options: Choose August 6-11. You may choose a cabin mate. They must choose you as well.
2. Be sure to choose a second option in case your first choice is full. We will contact you if your choice is full.
3. COMPLETELY FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION FORM.
4. Have your parent/guardian sign the form.
5. Enclose your deposit of \$75, which is non-refundable and non-transferable. Riverside will accept your check, money order, VISA, MasterCard or Discover.
6. The registration form includes a section for **Optional Care Packages**. If you choose this option, please include the cost with your deposit.
7. Return to Pastor Melinda by Easter Sunday.

**\*\*REGISTRATION PACKETS ARE ON THE TABLE BENEATH THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BULLETIN BOARD.\*\***

**If you need assistance with the deposit, contact one of the pastors or Helen in the office.**

**Any Salem child will be able to attend camp. PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATIONS BY APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>.**



## Holy Week

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



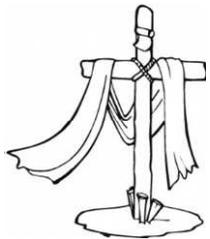
#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Palm Sunday Worship – Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Praise Creature Choir – Choir Room; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall  
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation – Chapel; 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class Bakes Bread  
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Palm Sunday Worship – Sanctuary



#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 13**

6:15 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Meal – Fellowship Hall  
7:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday/1<sup>st</sup> Communion Service – Sanctuary  
8:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. Easter Vigil - Chapel



#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 14**

12:00 a.m. - 7:15 p.m. Easter Vigil - Chapel  
7:15 p.m. Good Friday Service – Sanctuary



#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 16**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Easter Service – Sanctuary  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
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10:30 a.m. Contemporary Easter Service - Sanctuary

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#### **MONDAY, APRIL 10**

1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall  
2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open  
5:30 p.m. Council – Library

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 11**

10:00 a.m. Caregivers Support Group – Lounge  
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
5:30 p.m. New Life Nutrition – Room #4

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12**

2:15 - 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Instruction – Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. St. Patrick's Youth Group – Room #9

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 13**

9:30 a.m. Fine Arts Guild – Lounge  
6:15 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Meal – Fellowship Hall  
6:20 p.m. Choir Practice – Choir Room  
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**Readings for next Sunday:** Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, Colossians 3:1-4, Matthew 28:1-10

**A memorial service for Stanley Stover will be held Saturday, April 22 at 11:00 a.m. at Salem.  
A memorial service for Elaine Ingebritson will be held Saturday, April 29 at 1:30 p.m. at Salem.**

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