# THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK

SUNDAY MARCH 24	Palm Sunday / Sunday of the Passion Lutheran Hour on KBBW - 1010 AM / 105.7 FM Divine Service with Holy Communion Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM
THURSDAY MARCH 28	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> Divine Service with Holy Communion	6:30 PM
FRIDAY MARCH 29	<b>Good Friday</b> Divine Service with Holy Communion	6:30 PM
SATURDAY MARCH 30	<b>Holy Saturday</b> Easter Vigil Divine Service with Holy Communion	6:30 PM
SUNDAY MARCH 31	Easter Sunday Children's Easter Program Lutheran Hour on KBBW - 1010 AM / 105.7 FM Easter Breakfast (following Children's Program) Easter Divine Service with Holy Communion Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes	7:00 AM 7:30 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM

# LAST WEEK AT ST. MARK

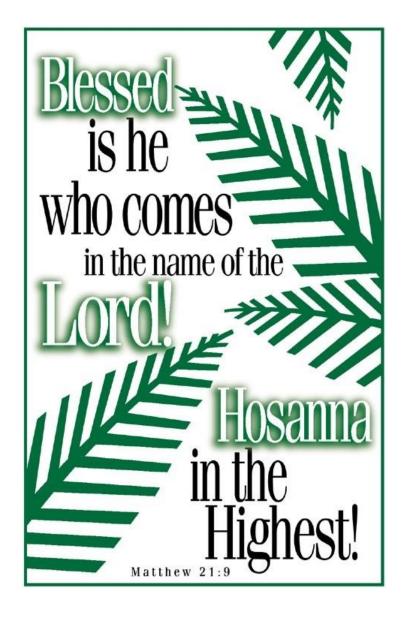
Attendance	Tithes & Offerings		
Lent V Service Sunday Worship Bible Class Sunday School Youth	71 99 37 6 7	General Offering Bible Class Lent Lent Meal Men's Retreat Property Improvement Memorials—Bill Kruger	\$ 1,629.20 26.00 117.00 135.00 320.00 500.00 100.00

# **SERVING US TODAY**

<u>Greeters</u> Rich Hagan	<u>Ushers</u> James Whitehead	<u>Money Counters</u> Judy Melcher
Carol Hagan	Mike Mallick	Jim Melcher
	Rich Hagan	Cate Tunnicliffe

# **SERVING US NEXT WEEK**

Rev. Peter Kolb, Pastor	Bill Tucker, Elder	Phil Mott, Organist
Glenn Zgabay, Sound System		Jesse Kolb, Acolyte
<u>Greeters</u> Carol Harper Karla Tanksley	<u>Ushers</u> Gary Kruger Kendall Philips Steve Whitehead Jonah Mehler	Money Counters Chris Brown Judy Brown Krisan Brown



Palm Sunday /
Sunday of the Passion

March 24, 2024

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Our Mission Statement: Learning, Living and Sharing Christ's Love



#### A LOVING WORD TO THOSE GUESTS WHO WISH TO COMMUNE

We believe, as Scripture teaches, that the Body and Blood of our Lord are truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament and those who eat and drink unworthily, that is, not believing these truths, do so to their great harm. Also, Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is professed at this altar. Therefore, if you are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold to a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the

Sacrament, you are requested to refrain from the table and speak to the Pastor or Elder to see how you can prepare in the future to also receive this gift of grace.

### *Prayer before communing:*

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lord Jesus, in Your Holy Supper You give us Your true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. May partakers of this sacred banquet do so in a worthy manner. Grant faith and discernment in accordance with the Holy Scriptures. Let all recipients of this gift be united in the confession and faith as they receive Your gifts at Your altar and leave confessing Your name until You come again. Amen.

#### *Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament:*

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

#### **SERVING US TODAY**

Rev. Peter Kolb, Pastor Tim Griesse, Organist Gary Kruger, Elder Matthew Kolb, Crucifer

Jesse Kolb & Caleb Mehler, Acolytes

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# LECTIONARY SUMMARY Palm Sunday / Sunday of the Passion

John 12:12-19 Psalm 31:5, 9-16

Mark 14-15

Zechariah 9:9-12 Philippians 2:5-11



# The Son of David Ascends His Throne and Reigns in Love from His Cross

The Son of David comes in gentle humility, "sitting on a donkey's colt," yet as the King of Israel "in the name of the Lord" (John 12:13–15). He comes to be lifted up in glory on the cross in order to cast out "the ruler of this world" and draw all people to Himself (John 12:23–32). The Church is thus called to "rejoice greatly," because her King comes with salvation, and "he shall speak peace to the nations" (Zech. 9:9–10). As He is anointed "beforehand for burial" (Mark 14:8), He also ascends His royal throne as "the King of the Jews" by way of His Passion (Mark 15:2, 17–19, 26). He goes "as it is written of him," wherefore "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power" (Mark 14:21, 62). For the glory of God is love, which crescendos in the humble obedience and voluntary self-sacrifice of the Son of God for the salvation of sinners. So, God the Father has "highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name" (Phil. 2:9), that He might reign over us in love with the forgiveness of His cross.

# Stewardship Notes

"Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." Zechariah 9:9 – No king ever rode to war like this. But no king had ever come to wage battle by dying. In His Passion, our Lord Jesus gives everything He has and is; He does this to bring us from death to life, to make us His own people, and show us an example of self-giving love that we should follow.



**LIFE THOUGHT:** Sinful nature prizes popularity, property, and power. It despises dependence and discards aging or gestating neighbors because of it. But Jesus proves that God has designed humankind to rely on Him and each other. His salvation comes about by humbly and happily entrusting oneself to an Almighty Father (Philippians 2:6-8). We need not take life and death into our own hands when we can rest upon His.

**LIFE QUOTE** — "So let us be sober, putting on faith and love as our breastplate and the hope of salvation as our helmet, encouraging one another and building each other up as together we faithfully wait, expectantly wait, joyfully wait—for Jesus."

~ Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook, quest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"

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PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY... You're invited to attend the 2024 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: 12-Time All-American Swimmer Riley Gaines, Mollie Hemingway of Fox News, Mark Hemingway of RealClear Investigations, Pastor Chris Rosebrough of "Fighting for the Faith," Aaron Renn of The American Conservative, Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller of "Has American Christianity Failed?," and Pastor Will Weedon of The Word of the Lord Endures Forever. The early bird registration fee is \$140 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.



# Voter's Meeting ~ April 7

Potluck 11:45 am; Voter's Meeting 12:30 pm

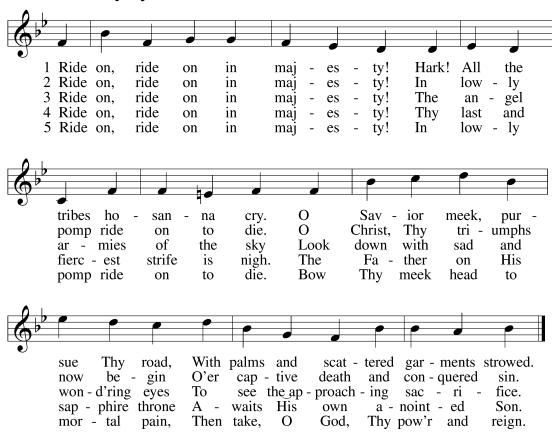
# Lutheran Men's Retreat April 19-21, 2024

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Register today for the 2024 Texas Lutheran Men's Retreat at Camp Lone Star!

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# Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



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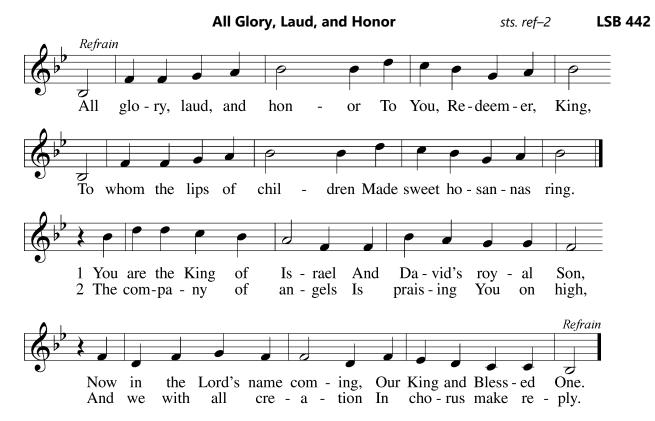
**Pre-service Music** 

Welcome

**LSB 441** 

**Processional Hymn** 

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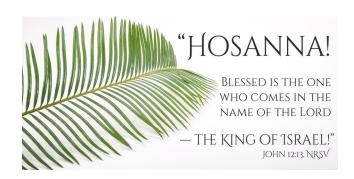
#### **Palm Sunday Reading**

John 12:12-19

<sup>12</sup>The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup>And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

<sup>15</sup>"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

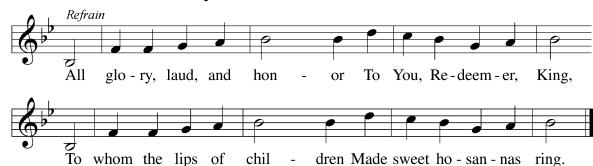
<sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup>The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. <sup>18</sup>The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup>So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

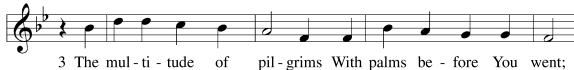


#### All Glory, Laud, and Honor

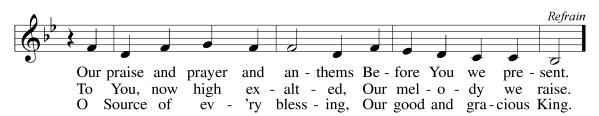
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- 4 To You be fore Your pas sion They sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As You re-ceived their prais es, Ac cept the prayers we bring,



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# The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

#### Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



Benedicamus Psalm 103:1 LSB 202

**A** Bless we the Lord.



Benediction Numbers 6:24-26 LSB 202

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 peace.





#### **Distribution Hymns**

LSB 334
LSB 443
LSB 581
LSB 427

#### Stand



Thanksgiving Psalm 107:1 LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



Introit

LSB 199

Psalm 24:7-10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26



Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!\*

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

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

Who is this King of glory?\*

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in | battle!

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

Who is this King of glory?\*

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of | glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!\*

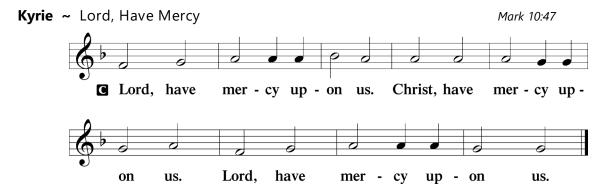
We bless you from the house of the LORD.



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# **Salutation and Collect 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.



## **Old Testament Reading**

Zechariah 9:9-12

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea. and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

This is the Word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:5, 9-16 **Psalm** 

<sup>5</sup> Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

<sup>9</sup>Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also. <sup>10</sup>For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.

<sup>11</sup>Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me. <sup>12</sup>I have been forgotten like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel. <sup>13</sup>For I hear the whispering of many terror on every side! as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\pm$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

LSB 197

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.





#### Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:* 

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 4 in peace.
- Amen.

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

LSB 195



■ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13 LSB 196

P 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.



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er.

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:59-38; Mark 14:22-24 Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

- men.

LSB 197

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

- <sup>14</sup>But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."
- <sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand;
- rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!

<sup>16</sup>Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!

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.

**Epistle** Philippians 2:5–11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Mark 14—15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.



Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





#### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life 
→ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

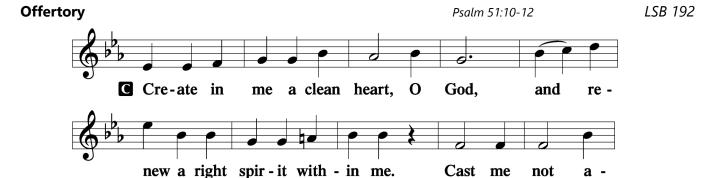
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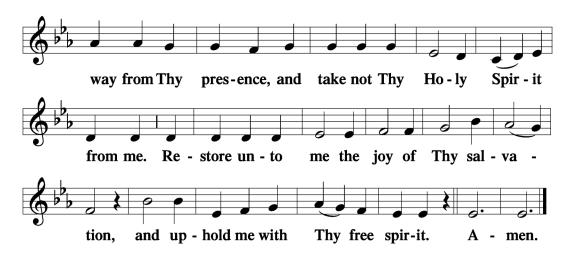
Sermon Procession To The Cross

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen. Philippians 4:7

#### Stand





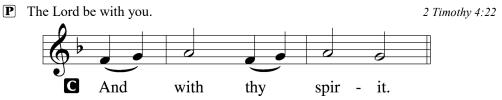
Offering

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**Prayer of the Church** 

**Service of the Sacrament** 

Preface LSB 194







Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: