

# SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

April 17, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

\*Please stand if you are able

Pre-Service Music: “*Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*” – G. Martin  
Chancel Choir

Welcome/Announcements

## †WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP †

Prelude: Fanfare Setting on “*Valet will ich dir geben*” – P. Manz  
“*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*”

Brief Pause for Meditation

## †GATHERING †

(The service begins at the rear of the church)

### \*PROCESSION WITH PALMS

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

**C: Hosanna to the Son of David.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

### PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

**Luke 19:28-40**

<sup>28</sup>After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup>When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples,<sup>30</sup>saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden.

Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup>They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen,<sup>38</sup>saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

<sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 344:**  
***“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”***

**\*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

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.

**C: Amen.**

## † GOD'S WORD †

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4–9a

L: A reading from Isaiah the 50<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

*This text, the third of the four Servant Songs in Isaiah, speaks of the servant's obedience in the midst of persecution. Though the servant has been variously understood as the prophet himself or a remnant of faithful Israel, Christians have often recognized the figure of Christ in these poems.*

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens —  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

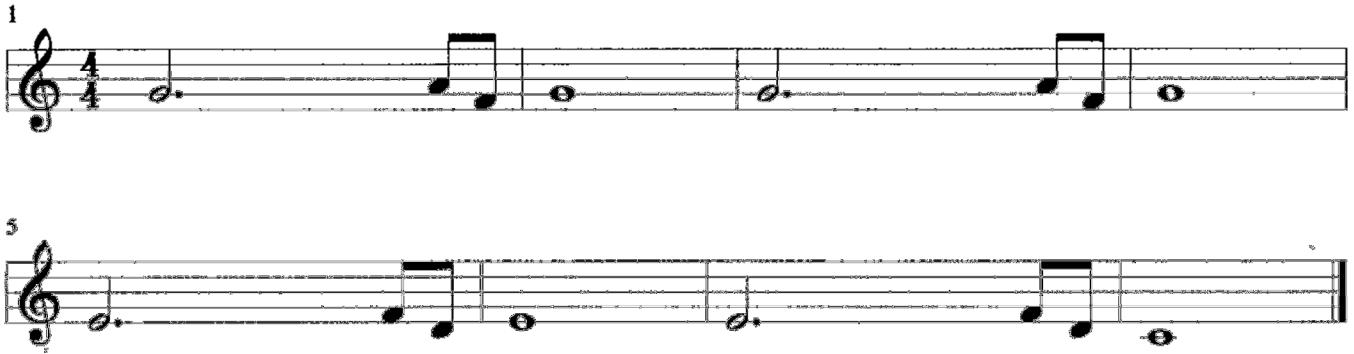
<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALMODY (Responsively)

Psalm 31:9–16



<sup>9</sup>Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;  
my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my throat | and my belly.

<sup>10</sup>For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;  
my strength fails me because of affliction,  
and my bones | are consumed.

**<sup>11</sup>I am the scorn of my enemies, a disgrace to my  
neighbors, a dismay to | my acquaintances;  
when they see me in the street | they avoid me.**

**<sup>12</sup>Like the dead I am forgotten, | out of mind;  
I am as useless as a | broken pot.**

<sup>13</sup>For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all  
around;  
they put their heads together against me;  
they plot to | take my life.

<sup>14</sup>But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.  
I have said, "You | are my God.

**<sup>15</sup>My times are | in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who | persecute me.**

**<sup>16</sup>Let your face shine up- | on your servant;  
save me in your | steadfast love."**

## SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

*Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.*

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup>but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
<sup>8</sup>he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death--  
even death on a cross.  
<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup>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.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



## THE HOLY GOSPEL

**Matthew 26:14—27:66**

Please be seated for the reading. There are Bibles in the pew racks if you wish to read the text.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> chapters.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.** (Spoken)

*In fulfillment of scripture and obedience to God's will, Jesus goes to the cross so that a new covenant in his blood may bring forgiveness of sins. Even the soldiers who crucify him recognize him to be the Son of God.*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.** (Spoken)

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### SERMON

**HYMN OF THE DAY #337:** *"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"*

## \* 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin  
Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who 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.**

**† WE OFFER TO GOD †**

**\*THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**P:** As we return to the waters of baptism during this season of Lent, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

**P:** We pray that the same mind be in your church as was in Christ Jesus; that we continue to bless the one who comes in the name of the Lord. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** We pray that the earth, the seas, the stars, and every living

creature bow before you; that all human beings be humble stewards of the world we call home. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray that those with authority show great mercy; that war-weary nations be sustained by your word; that innocent victims not be condemned. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray that you feed the hungry; free the captives; clothe the naked; heal the sick (*especially*); end torture; and turn our swords into plowshares. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray that all of us, who desert, deny, or betray you, be forgiven; that during this Holy Week ears are opened to the life-giving story of your death and resurrection. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P: Hold us in communion with the faithful witnesses who have gone before us, until that day when we join them at the feast that is to come. God of mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

### **\*THE PEACE**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **OFFERING**

### **ORGAN OFFERTORY:**

*Variation on "Martydom"*

Tune of Hymn of the Day

- H. Willan

## \*OFFERING HYMN



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

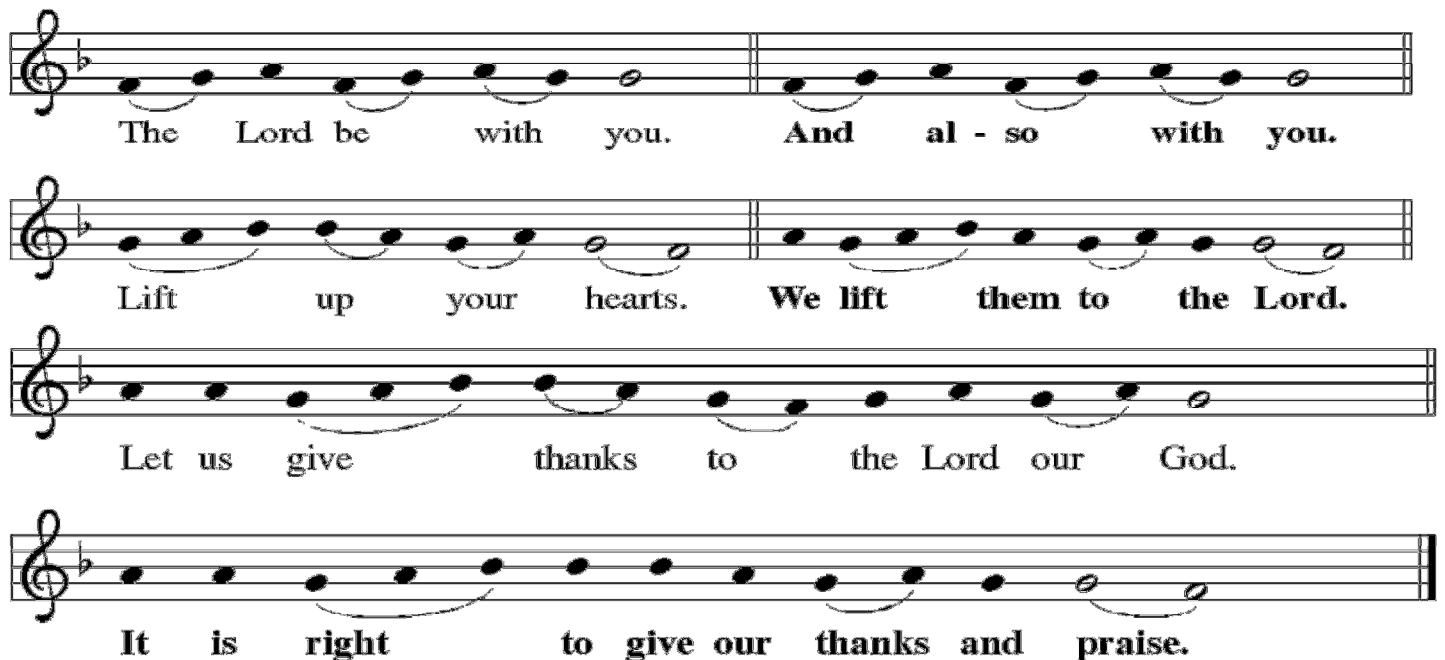
## \*OFFERING PRAYER

**P:** Let us pray.

**C:** God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## † WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER †

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## \*THE PREFACE:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....  
We praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

## \*THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



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

## \*PRAYERS AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

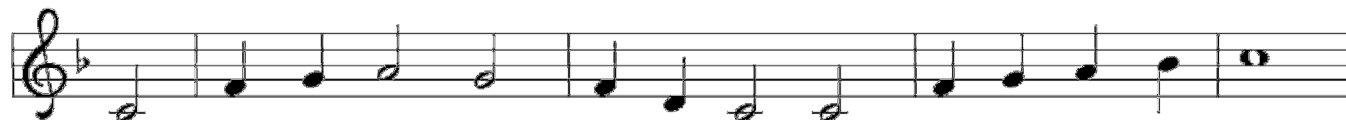
P: In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to 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.

## \*TRADITIONAL LORD'S PRAYER

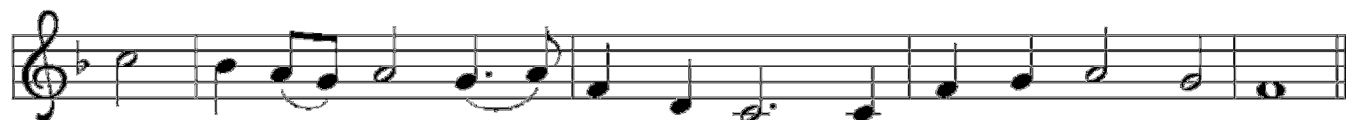
Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## \*DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

### \*THE AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

**All Baptized Christians Are Invited To Receive Holy Communion. We Ask Parents to Bring Their Non-communing Children with Them to the Communion Rail. Pick up an empty cup in the chancel. After Receiving Communion, Exit By Way Of The Side Door. If You Cannot Come To the Altar, the Pastor Will Come To You, Please Notify An Usher.**



## DISMISSAL

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord with joy.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** "March to Calvary"

– J. H. Maunder

Tune of Recessional Hymn



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*THE PALMS* are presented to the Glory of God by Jerry & Martha Petery in Memory of Loved One.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Acolyte:** Gus Barr

**Crucifer:** Linda Weaver

**Candlebearer:** Vicar Tina Toburen

**Communion Assistants:** Bob Getz & Shirley Sweigart

**Scripture Reader:** Vicar Tina Toburen

**Nursery:** Martha Petery

**Greeters:** Loretta Fausnacht and Arlene Henly

**Ushers:** Dave Haldeman (Head), Kristi Leonhard, Dick Raffauf, Ryan Brubaker and Ron Gehr (alt.)



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*\*The Bulletins Are Dedicated to the Glory of God by Dick and Theda Raffauf in Memory of Dick's Dad.*

**\*Welcome to all!** If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you'll leave as a friend who's been blessed by worshiping in this house of God. We encourage you to join us again.

**\*Hearing Assistance Units Are Available** for anyone who has difficulty hearing. Prior to worship, please contact an usher if you wish to use one of the units during worship.

**\*Worship Bags For Children** are available on the first pew in the back of the church. Please take one during worship. Just return the bag, crayons, and storybook – the rest can be kept. Thank you!

## **\*EASTER DAWN SERVICE AND BREAKFAST**

*The Easter Dawn Service will be held at 6:00 a.m. and a breakfast will follow at 6:30 a.m. till 7:30a.m. The service will start in the church and finish outdoors, weather permitting. This will be a service of scripture and favorite Easter hymns. The free will offering for breakfast will be given to the NEEDY FUND for Mellingers' needy. We also will be receiving funds from Thrivent.*

*The Adult Sunday School Class*



**“PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE DURING  
WORSHIP. THANK YOU!”**



## **NORTH LANCASTER LUTHERAN 2011 LENT SERVICES**

This year's theme will be **“Give it up for Lent!”** The offering from the services will be donated to Habitat for Humanity. Refreshments will follow each service and a nursery will be provided.

The services will begin at 7:00 pm. If there is a question about the service because of the weather, please call the host church after 10 am on the day of the service and information will be provided.

### **The series schedule is as follows:**

**April 20<sup>th</sup>** Pastor Paul Smeltz of Muddy Creek, Denver, will be at Mellingers in Schoeneck and the topic will be “Give up Thanks”. Mellingers members are asked to bring food and/or refreshments for after the service. **(717)336-8800**

Included in the Cluster series is Ascension Day Worship with Holy Communion at 7:00 pm on Thursday evening **June 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Swamp Lutheran Church in Reinholds. Preaching on that evening will be Pastor Robert Kramer of St. John Center, East Earl. **(717)336-2849**

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# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

**Lenten Cluster Service:** Pastor Paul Smeltz of Muddy Creek, Denver, will be at Mellingers in Schoeneck and the topic will be “Give up Thanks”.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 21: Maundy Thursday

Communion in the fellowship hall at 7:00 pm at which time members share Communion with one another after which we go upstairs to the nave and chancel and commemorate the betrayal of Christ.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 22: Good Friday

\*Noon-3 pm **reflection, prayer and Scripture readings** held largely in silence

\***Service of the Shadows at 7:00 pm** remembers the death of Our Lord

## SATURDAY, APRIL 23

On Saturday April 23, 2011 @ 9:30 AM all are welcome to assist with the **set up and preparation for the breakfast.**

We will be holding our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** here on the grounds of Mellingers on Saturday, April 23 at 11 a.m. Our egg hunt is for the entire community, so bring your neighbors, friends & your grandchildren. Again this year we will extend a special invitation to Swamp Lutheran Church to have their children join us for the egg hunt. Last year over 70 children attended the hunt so many eggs are needed to make this event a success. If you wish to donate eggs for the children, please bring them to the church on the 23rd. If you are unable to make it that day but still wish to donate, please see Shari Weaver or Diane Adair and we will make other arrangements. We are accepting both decorated hard-boiled eggs and candy-filled (wrapped candy only please) plastic eggs. Thank you for supporting the hunt!

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 24: EASTER SUNDAY**

**Easter Dawn Service** 6:00 AM and ending by approximately 6:30 AM

**Breakfast** will be served from 6:30 AM till 7:30 AM

Breakfast will include the following: Scrambled eggs, potatoes, ham pancakes, toast, fruit cup, assorted breakfast pastries, juice, and coffee/tea.

A freewill offering will be collected to be donated to a needy fund. Thrivent will provide matching funds to increase the overall donation.

Anyone interested in helping with the breakfast or donating items of food should see Dave Henry.

**Holy Communion** is at 9:00 am.

**Easter Flowers** may be picked up after the Sunday Service.

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*\*A **Pancake Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2011 from 7:00-10:00 am in the Social Hall with proceeds benefiting the Habitat for Humanity Build occurring in September/October. Prices will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 4-12 and children 3 & under are free. The menu will consist of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit, toast, breakfast pastries, juice and coffee. A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex at a later date for food donations for this event.*