# Peace Lutheran Church "Peace Through Christ" Pastor Mike Schultze 71 Loma Drive - Camarillo, CA 93010 (805) 482-3313 office@peacecamarillo.com peacecamarillo.com PALM SUNDAY March 24, 2024 AS WE GATHER-Today's processional Gospel recounts that glorious first day of Holy Week, but a glory of a different kind follows fast on the heels of that humble donkey on which King Jesus entered Jerusalem. By the end of that same week, Jesus will be crowned with cursed thorns beneath a sign reading "Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews." Despite the Jewish leaders' rejection of that sign, it still stood (by Pilate's order). Despite their rejection of their King and Messiah, Jesus still died for their sins - and the sins of the whole world! This was our Lord's humble and obedient act to God's edict from before the foundation of the world. It was

must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

Welcome Children- A cry room is located near the church entryway.

Please see an usher for guidance.

for our sake, and the sake of all sinners everywhere, that Jesus died. And, now, the Gospel proclaimed in His Name invites us all to submit to its salvation cry: "For there is no other Name under heaven whereby we

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RINGING OF THE BELL PRELUDE WELCOME

#### + PREPARATION +

#### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the

Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup> and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say,

'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately."

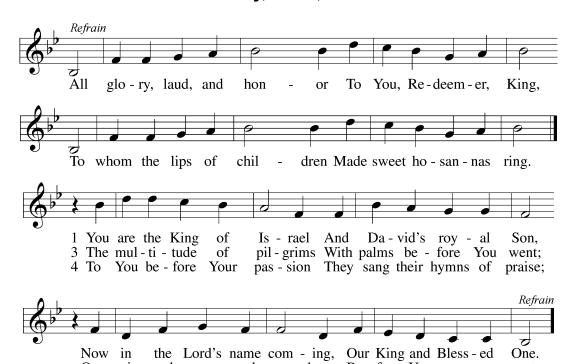
<sup>4</sup> And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. <sup>5</sup> And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" <sup>6</sup> And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. <sup>7</sup> And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup> And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. <sup>9</sup> And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **HYMN**

## "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"



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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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> And 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.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: Return to Me with all your heart, says the Lord, with prayer and fasting, with weeping and mourning, with

broken and contrite hearts.

People: For the Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Pastor: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

Pastor: O God, in Your kindness, have pity on us.

People: O God, in Your mercy, wash away our sins. Cleanse us from the stain and guilt of our sins, those we know and those of which we are unaware. In our thinking, our speaking and our doing, we have exalted ourselves. We lack true humility. We deserve Your wrath and punishment. For the sake of Jesus Christ, turn Your eyes from our iniquity and cover our guilt, that we may know again the joy of Your salvation. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Rejoice in the love and mercy of God. For Jesus' sake, he has heard your plea and has forgiven all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

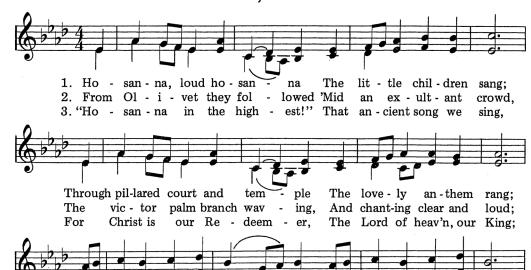
AII:

Lord Jesus, You are not only proclaimed as King by the shouts of "Hosanna" and the waving of palms, but even more so enthroned as King on the cross amid cries of "Crucify." We take our place with both crowds, for our sins crucified You; yet we need You to save us, thus we cry, "Hosanna; Lord, save us." Grant us Your heart of humility that we may confess our dependence on You for our salvation. We pray through You, Lord Jesus, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



#### **SONG OF PRAISE**

## "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"



To Je-sus, who had blessed them Close fold-ed to His breast,
The Lord of men and an - gels Rode on in low-ly state,
O may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice,



The chil-dren sang their prais - es, The sim-plest and the best.

Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.

And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

#### +WORD +

## OLD TESTAMENT . . . . . . . . . . . . Zechariah 9:9-12

(Rejoice . . . your King comes to you.)
(After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Jesus' humiliation and exaltation) (After the reading)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### **HYMN**

## "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"



(The Passion according to St. John)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(After the reading of the Gospel)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to You, O Christ.** 

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

## HYMN OF THE DAY "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"



#### **MESSAGE**

"The Palms and The Passion: Taking Comfort In Suffering"

John 12:20-43

Pastor Mike Schultze

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH** (Apostles' Creed)

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

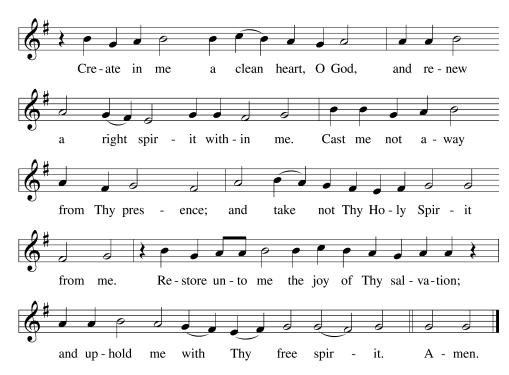
#### **OFFERING**

(Please sign and fill out the fellowship book and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.)

#### **VOLUNTARY**

#### **OFFERTORY**

#### "Create in Me"





#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: All glory, praise, and honor be to You, O Lord. You are

our Redeemer and our King, our Savior and our Friend.

We adore You and exalt Your Holy Name.

People: Hosanna in the highest; Lord, save us.

Pastor: Reign over us, not according to our devising and

manipulation, but according to Your good and gracious

will.

People: Hosanna in the highest; Lord, save us.

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, as You brought healing to untold

numbers during your ministry on earth, so bring the ministry of healing into our midst according to Your will. Grant healing, comfort, and faith to those are sick or in

need this day. Hear us as we pray for them.

People: Hosanna in the highest; Lord, save us.

Pastor: Lord of life, Your death on Calvary's cross means life for

us. Today we pray the comfort of assurance of the resurrection to new life be with the families of all those who mourn the loss of loved ones this week. Grant them

comfort, hope, and assurance.

People: Hosanna in the highest; Lord, save us.

Pastor: Lord, during this Holy Week, strengthen our faith and trust

in You. As we move from the triumph of Palm Sunday with its cries of "Hosanna" to the institution of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday to the agony of Good Friday to the glories of Easter, be with us and send Your Spirit that our meditation on Your passion may move us to

greater love for You and for others.

People: Hosanna in the highest; Lord, save us.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our

Lord.

People: Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to You. The Lord look

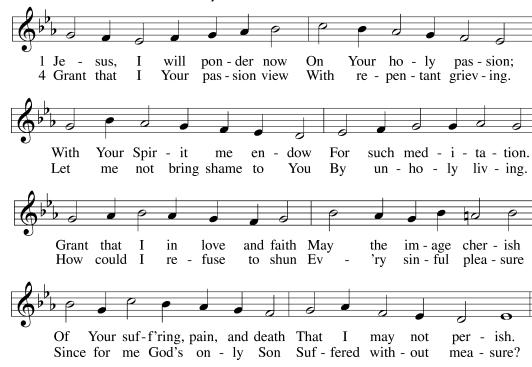
upon You with His favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.



## **CLOSING HYMN**

## Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"



6 Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses, Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses. May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior, That I may in heav'n above Sing Your praise forever.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers: Given the glory of God by the members of Peace.

## THIS WEEK AT PEACE MARCH 24, 2024

Sunday: 9:00 am Traditional Service

9:15 am Sunday School 10:15 am Adult Bible Study 11:00 am Traditional Service

1:30 pm New Life Christian Fellowship

4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)

Monday: Office closed

Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers

6:15 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)

Maundy Thursday: 7:00 pm Communion Service

Good Friday: Noon Service of Reflection & Remembrance

7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

Saturday: ++++++++++

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION!- Beginning April 1st, the kitchen will be off limits to everyone due to the work that needs to be done. The fridge/ freezer unit needs to be moved away from the wall and located somewhere else in the kitchen and plugged in to prevent any kind of foot traffic. There will be an "environmental curtain" temporarily installed to prevent dust and other irritants into the air. Fans will also be used and need to run all night. The work should last a week. Please do not plan on using the kitchen or entering the kitchen during that time. Thank you! David J. Miller Head Trustee

#### THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, March 24, 2024

<u>9am</u> <u>11am</u>

**Elder:** Al Bosman Blaine Wanke **Greeter:** Charlo Stuart

Reader: Todd Harter Lori Schultze

Acolyte:Blake DenningerSamuel WilliamsonUshers:Gary TaylorDave Schmidt

Bill Young Roy Poehler

Jim DeVries

Altar Care: Bill & Linda Young

Cookie & Coffee Service: S. McCracken, T. Andermann, L. Stenke

**Organist:** Karen Foote

## THOSE WHO SERVE US **NEXT WEEK**, March 31, 2024

9am 11am Elder: Al Bosman Blaine Wanke **Greeter: Connie Morris** Bill Young **Bob Hutchison** Reader: Marshall Denninger Lucas Williamson Acolyte: Mike McCracken **Ushers:** Gary Taylor Bill Young Tom La Jeunesse

Rick Poore

Altar Care: Bill & Linda Young

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**Organist:** Karen Foote

**Choir Accompanist:** Sandy Haven **Choir Director:** Linda La Jeunesse

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 24, 2024**

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS is held, in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of "Recovering the Joy of Theology" watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is held at 10am with a study of Acts. Contact Leila Langston for more info at: 714-875-6340

**LIFE LIGHT BIBLE STUDY** We will break until 4/11/24. Contact Blaine or Diana Wanke for more info @ 805-490-8212.

**PRAYER CHAIN-** If you have a prayer request, please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2024 FLOWER CHART is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex outside the Cry Room. There are 2 signups available each Sunday, please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Each arrangement is \$40.00, and the donation can be placed in an envelope in the offering plate. If you do write a check, please note on the check or envelope that the donation is designated for "Flowers". After the last service, you may take your arrangement home or they may be donated to one of our shut-ins.

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**: Our donations for the food pantry taken to the Episcopal Church for distribution have declined in recent months. Just a reminder that there is food insecurity here in Camarillo and your donations help our neighbors. Please put your items in the box in the narthex. The Food Pantry values our partnership, which in turn is appreciated by the recipients of your generosity!

Board of Social Concerns at 805-236-4820.

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Altar Committee is still in need of volunteers for 2024. If you've never done this job and are interested in learning about it, there are mentors to assist you. The signup sheet is located in the Narthex. Please choose a month to volunteer & help with this important task. You can sign up with your spouse, with a friend, or alone. If you have any questions, contact Linda Young at 805-236-4820 or by email at nephronurse@verizon.net.



**PRAY FOR**: Edith Anderson, Ashley, Brandee Brand, Brian Derozer, Magnolia Duenez (baby), Beverly Gandy, Damon Hermann, Vicki Hutter, K. Johnson, Sonja Manzer, Carol Marker, Pat Massey, Ryan Scott Morrison, T. Schmidt, D. Schultz, David Stafford, Leslie Stenke, Ashley Stephen, Lara Tate, B. Toro, Dusty Urban, Sandy Williamson, Lisa Wright, Sue Zinger & Elle Zorkocy.

**FOR OUR MILITARY:** Jared Bautista, Jacob Chiles, Andrew Geib, Daniel Gross, Michael Hanson, Brian Miller, K. Schleicher, Stephen Volpei, Lucas Wentland, Avery Chapman & Adam Volpei.

## Lent & Easter Schedule

Maundy Thursday, March 28 @ 7:00 pm Worship Service with Holy Communion

**Good Friday, March 29** @ 12:00 noon Service of Reflection and Remembrance 7:00 pm Tenebrae Service of Darkness



The Resurrection of Our Lord Easter Sunday, March 31 9am & 11am Communion Service Brunch following the 9am Service

**EASTER BRUNCH** – We will be having an Easter Brunch between the two services. Fellowship will be providing ham and orange juice. Please bring a coffee cake, deviled eggs or fruit to share. We look forward to seeing everyone then! (Sunday School egg hunt too!)