

Welcome to
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

*...where God calls us to spread God's
message of love and grace through word and action.*

Palm Sunday



SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025
9:30AM WORSHIP

Welcome to Worship!

*See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God;
and that is what we are. 1John 3:1a*

We invite all into the grace, love and acceptance we have from God. WE WELCOME YOU: who you are, as you are; where you are coming from. We welcome:

- all sexual orientations and gender identities
- all ages, financial situations, married, divorced, single, with or without children
- all racial, ethnic, and social backgrounds
- all who are struggling with addictions and other personal hardships
- all levels of physical and mental health and abilities
- all faith backgrounds, those questioning their faith, and those new to faith

Every one is welcome. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation. We invite all to fully participate in the life and ministry of All Saints Lutheran Church where we seek to share God's love and grace, through word and action.

*Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body.
And be thankful. Colossians 3:14,15*

A Special Welcome to Visitors

Our worship is enriched because you are here! You are welcome to participate in all activities of the congregation. Join us for coffee and conversation after worship - we'd like to get to know you!

Children are Welcome in Worship

We believe that children are not "the future of the church" but are the present of the church. Their presence is a gift to us all. Picture books and activity bags are available for children's use during worship.

Communion at All Saints

Believing in the real presence of Christ, we practice Eucharist hospitality: all baptized persons are welcome to communion. Any who prefer not to receive communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing; simply keep your hands folded to indicate this preference. Both wine & grape juice are available, and gluten-free wafers are available on request.

OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT

God calls us to spread God's message of love and grace through word and action.

Our Guiding Principles

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD AND SAVIOR.

WE BELIEVE.

*We seek to grow in our faith and relationship with God.
We offer opportunities for all to come to know Jesus Christ.*

WE LISTEN.

*We pray boldly, seeking the guidance and transforming power of the Holy Spirit.
We seek to understand the needs of individuals and the community.*

WE ACT.

*We demonstrate God's grace in our relationships with others
through caring, sharing, and respect for all.*

We serve others first and seek justice and reconciliation in the church, community, and the world.

PALM SUNDAY

April 13, 2025

Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him. Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced; instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death. We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.

GATHERING THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PROCESSIONAL WITH PALMS *Gather under the pergola or in the narthex.*

WELCOME

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

LUKE 19:28-40 (NRSV)

Holy Week begins with a palm procession and the proclamation of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem from the gospel of Luke. Christ enters the assembly now, just as He did then, and with the angels at His birth we praise His presence among us.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOR

Process into the sanctuary and remain standing until all have entered


Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,




to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
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.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

HOLY WELCOME

PASTOR: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

PASTOR: Let us pray:

All: **Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

You may be seated.

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 50:4-9A (NRSV)

The servant of the Lord submits to suffering.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11 (NRSV)

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.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PASSION NARRATIVE *based on Luke 22 – 23*

Please remain seated.

Through the teachings and events of the passion story we see and hear the great contradictions that characterize the coming of God's reign. The leader serves the followers, proud Peter is revealed in his cowardice, and Jesus – the innocent bringer of life – is arrested, beaten, executed, and buried.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please rise as you are able.

Assisting Minister: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Each petition ends **God, in your mercy,**

The congregational response is **receive our prayer.**

Assisting Minister: Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

All: Amen.

MEAL

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

We exchange the Peace of Christ, greeting each other with words of peace, aware that Christ is in our midst in the faces of those around us.

You may be seated.

OFFERING

*Offerings support the ministries of this congregation and the wider church.
You may place your offering in the plate, give through the website, or
mail it into the church office. Thank you.*

*We receive a second offering today for our Second Mile partner,
Lutheran World Relief*

CHORAL OFFERING

GOSPEL HOSANNA!

by Jack Schrader

Please rise as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN

WE ARE AN OFFERING

As the gifts are brought forward, we join in singing the Offertory Hymn.

We lift our voic - es, we lift our hands, we lift our
lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our
hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in treble clef, 7/8 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. There are triplets and accents in the music.



give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices we lift our hands we lift our

lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles
 Music: OFFERING, Dwight Liles

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OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: Lord Jesus, What can we offer that you have not already offered us? What can we do that you have not already done for us? In your gifts to us, you have provided us the way to live and serve you. In both your triumph and your suffering, you deserve our praise. Through the gifts we now offer, we express our longing to serve and to follow wherever you go.

All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Before the Lord's supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels' song.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes. The first staff ends with a whole note G. The second staff ends with a quarter note G. The third staff ends with a quarter note G. The fourth staff ends with a quarter note G and a double bar line.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The presiding minister speaks holy words, recalling the Gospel story of Jesus sharing a holy meal with his followers and proclaiming God's grace. Jesus Christ is present in, with, and under the bread and wine.

THE 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, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

You may be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*The ushers will invite you forward for communion.
Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.
White grape juice is in the center area of the communion trays.*

COMMUNION HYMN

YOU, LORD, ARE BOTH LAMB AND SHEPHERD



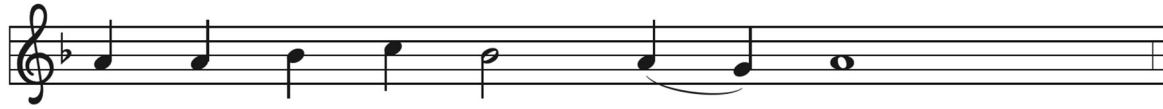
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
stripped of might up - on the cross,
sit in pow - er at God's side.
Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



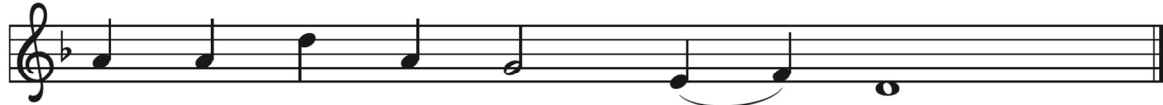
You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
 beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
 have a love that reach - es wide.
 wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
 you, who are both gift and cost.
 you, who are our pil - grim guide.
 you, who are our death and life.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993
 Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.
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TABLE BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Assisting Minister: *Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

All: Amen.

~~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~~

BLESSING

Pastor: May our Lord, whose arms were spread on the cross to embrace the whole world, help us to take up the cross and follow Him.

All: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS



1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with - in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830–1869
Music: ST. CHRISTOPHER, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Passing from joy into sorrow and on to elation.

All: **We come to Christ this holy week.**

Pastor: Today is only part of the story.

All: **Jesus' triumph leads to his death, his death to his resurrection.**

Pastor: May the journey of this week lead you into the fullness of Christ's love.

All: **Amen.**

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IN WORSHIP TODAY

Ministers	<i>All Saints' Faith Community</i>
Presiding Minister	<i>Pr. Ariel Mink</i>
Assisting Minister	<i>Kathy Dean</i>
Lector	<i>Dennis Cash</i>
Choir Director	<i>Ben DeShazo-Couchot</i>
Accompanist	<i>Katy Hatfield</i>
Ushers	<i>Bill and June Davis</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Vera Janikowski and Cal Wilkerson</i>
Video Tech	<i>Terry Fischer</i>
Acolyte	<i>Kaia Derenzy</i>
Passion Narrative Readers	<i>Terry Fischer and Tina Shippey</i>

Altar Flowers

are given in gratitude by Laurie Gratiot

Today is the last day to put your order in for Easter Lilies! We have orders for 11 lilies so far and we may decrease our order of 24 as we do not want to have an extra 10 lilies to try to sell on Easter Sunday. You may leave your order in the offering plate.

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ALL SAINTS NEWS

Faith Development Classes!!

After worship each Sunday in May, Don Schroeder will be teaching a Faith Development class. No sign-up is required and no book needs to be purchased as we will use the Bible as our source. All are encouraged to bring their own Bibles. We will be looking at the topic of justification by faith and considering what the Bible says about the need to still have a personal faith in our Christian lives today. For the first 3 Sundays we will be looking at what the Old Testament taught on this subject, then what Jesus taught on this subject and then what the Apostle Paul taught on this subject. We will summarize on the last Sunday and give maximum time to letting the class members say what they believe about this subject. You are all encouraged to attend and participate.

All Saints will celebrate Earth Day in worship on April 27. The 2025 global theme is "**Our Power, Our Planet**," focusing on renewable energy and clean energy solutions to triple the use of clean energy sources by 2030. Be sure to wear your Earth Day themed attire (contact Kathy Dean if you need help ordering a special T-shirt or other attire). Come prepared to worship as we celebrate our Planet. Anyone with further ideas on how to focus our attention on creating a sustainable future, please share ideas with Kathy at:

kathydean44@outlook.com



Lutheran World Relief
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

The Second Mile
Ministry Partner for
April is

Lutheran World Relief. This joint venture of the ELCA and Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS) has been providing disaster relief and help for marginalized areas of the world for 80 years. Please join in supporting this important Christian ministry.

Easter Continental Brunch! – After Worship

Thanks to those who have signed up to help with this event on Easter Sunday! There are still many opportunities available. We are especially in need of people to help with *clean up* - five to be exact! Everyone will be taking their containers home with them, but there will be coffee mugs and forks to put in the dishwasher, and tables and chairs to put away. Take a moment and check the posted lists on your way out today. And, please do let us know if you plan to stay for the brunch after church.

One item not on the opportunity list is the Easter Egg hunt. Huge thanks go to **Gwen Husary** and **Krista Landig** who are already busy working on a great hunt!

DON'T FORGET!!

The deadline for donating Personal Care Kits is: any time before April 27th, the Sunday following Easter.



THIS WEEK WE HOLD IN PRAYER

Evelyn Mattson, Marian Caldwell,
Peter Overfield, Diane,
Pr. Susan Strouse, Domenica,
Michele Pieraccini,
Mike McDaniel, Trent Blake,
Glenn Miyamoto, Brena & Phillip Bailey,
Josephine Husary, Donna Slining,
Our Call Committee

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer that you would like on the All Saints prayer chain, email
allsaintsprayers@comcast.net or phone
(415) 892-3033

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS
APRIL 13-20, 2025

- TODAY:** **PALM SUNDAY**
Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.
Luz y Vida – 5:30 p.m.
Al Anon – 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.
AA – 8:30 p.m.
- MONDAY:** **OFFICE CLOSED**
NMA – 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
- TUESDAY:** **Office Hours – 9:00a.m. – 1:30p.m.**
Health & Wellness – 9:00 a.m.
Choir – 7:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY:** **Office Hours – 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**
Quilting – 10:00 a.m.
Luz y Vida – 5:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY:** **Office Hours – 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**
Pizza – 11:30
Maunday Thursday Worship – 6:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY:** **OFFICE CLOSED**
Luz y Vida – 5:30 p.m.
Good Friday Worship – 6:00 p.m.
- SATURDAY:** *AA – 8:00 p.m.*
- SUNDAY:** **EASTER SUNDAY**
Sunrise (outside) Easter Service – 6:30 a.m.
on Mt. Burdell, off Palmo Ct. in San Marin
Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.
Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt! – following worship
Luz y Vida – 5:30 p.m.
Al Anon – 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.
AA – 8:30 p.m.