

April 13, 2025
Hope Lutheran Church
6201 Coventry Way
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**PALM
SUNDAY**
Rejoice in the lord

Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church



Hope Lutheran Church
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Our Mission: *To Be God's Loving Presence in a Hurting World*

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A Warm Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church

We hope that your worship experience this morning is spiritually enriching and meaningful.

- Children are always welcome at worship.
- We practice eucharistic hospitality. All are welcome to Holy Communion.
- **Are you here for the first time?** Our congregation is a member of the Metropolitan D.C. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. If you are looking for a church home, we welcome your inquiry.
- **Restrooms** are located down the hall to the right.
- **Cellphones** create a distraction during worship. We ask that you check now to make sure it is in airplane mode.
- **Our team of ushers** are available throughout the service to assist.
- **Gluten-free hosts:** The baked bread distributed during Holy Communion is gluten-free, nut-free, but full of Jesus!

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE EXIT THROUGH THE SIDE EGRESS.

Worship Plan for Sunday, April 13, 2025
PASSION SUNDAY

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40 (Assisting Minister)

The holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ 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. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' "

³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ 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, ³⁸ saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

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.

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.

The assembly follows the ministers into the church.


PROCESSIONAL HYMN - "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (ELW 344)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor


Refrain



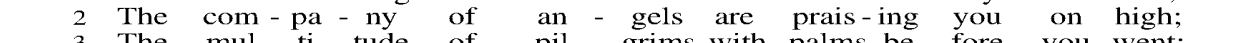
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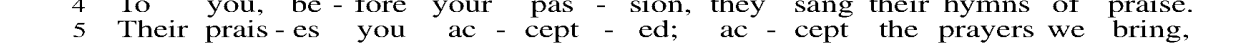
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.




1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,



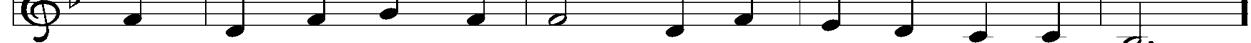
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;



3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;



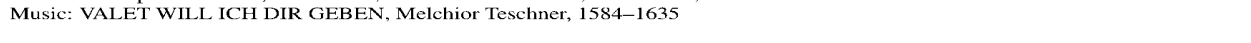
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.




5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



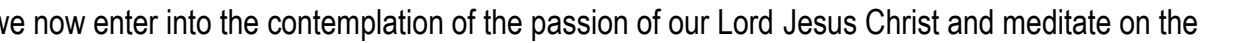
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now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.



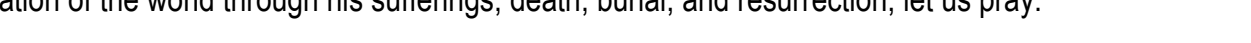
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.



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

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.

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.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴The 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. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I 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. ⁷The 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; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

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

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³For 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.

¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.**

¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶**Let your face shine up on your servant; save me in your steadfast love."**

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Philippians.

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

Father, thank you for your Word. Let us never take it for granted.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Return to the Lord, your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:1-49

The holy gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

The assembly may be seated.

DRAMATIC READING OF THE PASSION OF JESUS

After the reading response

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

REFLECTION

HYMN OF THE DAY – “Prepare The Royal Highway” (ELW 264)

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Refrain
Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN, Swedish folk tune, 17th cent.
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APOSTLES' CREED (Assisting Minister)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Responsive)

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG – “We Give Thee but Thine Own” (ELW 686) Sing verse 1 only

We Give Thee but Thine Own



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

OFFERING PRAYER (Assisting Minister)

Let us pray.

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

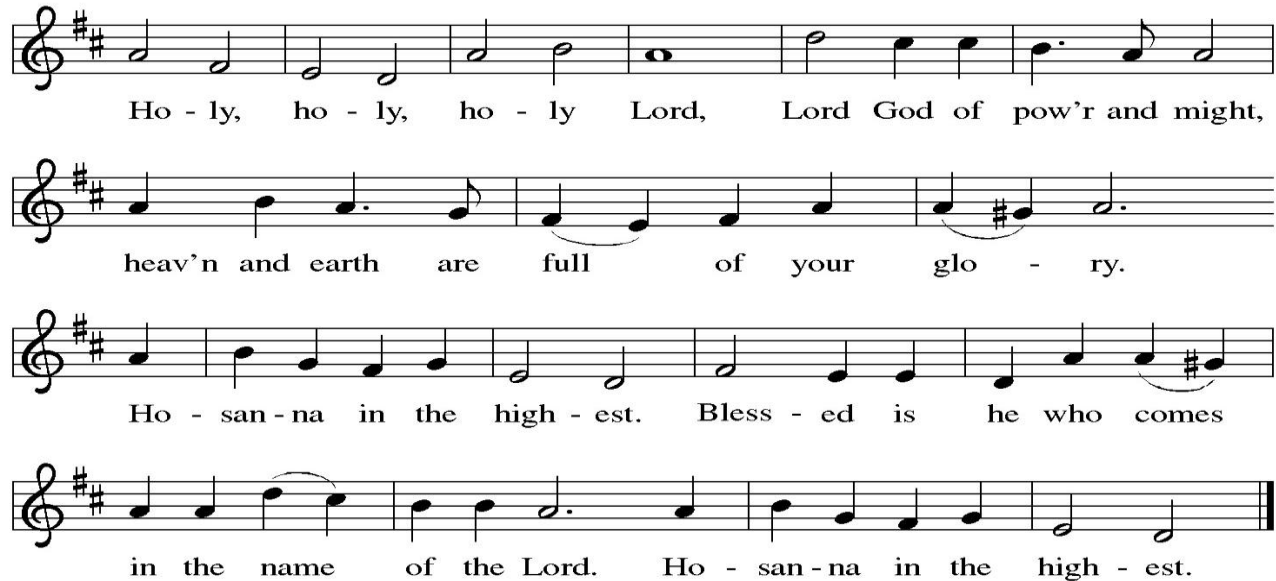
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW 153)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

LORD'S PRAYER (Directed by Dan Williams)

Our Father, which 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

O, come, all God's children, O, come, every one.

O, come to Christ's table. The feast has begun.

On the food of salvation together we'll dine, Christ's body and blood in the bread and the wine.

The assembly may be seated.

COMMUNION SONG - "Lamb of God" (ELW 154)

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

The assembly stands.

Now, go, all God's children, Depart in God's peace. For here at Christ's table Our sins were released. The body and blood of our Savior and friend Will keep us in His grace forever.

Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM – "Draw Nigh to Jerusalem"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Assisting Minister)

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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN – “Ride on, Ride on in Majesty” (ELW 346)

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal



sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.

Music: THE KING'S MAJESTY, Graham George, 1912–1993

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SENDING

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Free Smoke Alarms - The American Red Cross has issued new standards and is providing residents free smoke detectors, including those with ten-year batteries. Please call Mr. Art Holliman at 703-489-7043 to receive yours. Mr. Holliman is a friend of Hope from the North Clinton Citizens Association.

Pop-up Food Distribution – Every Thursday and Saturday, beginning April 5th thru June 30th, Giant - 7074 Allentown Rd, Camp Springs, MD. Thursdays: 5:00 – 7:00pm and Saturdays: 9:00-11:00am.

Bulk Trash and Paper Shred Day - Saturday, June 7th, 9:00-11:00am, Clinton Baptist Church, 8701 Woodyard Road. For more information visit: <https://pgccouncil.us/District9> or call (301) 952-3820.

Electronics Recycling & Household Waste Disposal - Saturday, April 26th, from 8:00am-1:00pm, Friendly High School, 10000 Allentown Rd., Ft Washington, MD.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Fellowship – Please join us today after service for our Sunday fellowship. All are welcome.

Easter Brunch. Our Easter Brunch will be a potluck at 9:30am on Easter morning, **BEFORE** the service. Please bring a dish or item to share, if you are able. All are welcome.

Holy Week Schedule - Services will be held at 7:00pm.

- Maundy Thursday Service, April 17th
- Good Friday – Service of Shadows, April 18th
- Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 19th

Hope Bible Study - Join us on Fridays at 10:30am. Great interactive discussions and fellowship. Come out and be a part!