

Word of God Lutheran Church  
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:  
With God's help we are called to be a  
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in  
the Bible and focused on service in the community  
and mission outreach.

**Palm Sunday**  
**April 2, 2023**

# ORDER OF SERVICE

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday

Advent • Christmas • Epiphany • **Lent** • Easter • Pentecost

*Please refer to the green Lutheran Book of Worship Hymnal for service.*

## **ENTRANCE RITE**

*Please Gather Outside Narthex*

\* Palm Sunday Processional

\* Entrance Hymn "**All Glory, Laud, and Honor**" .....LBW 108

\* The Lord be with you ..... page 62

\* Prayer of the Day

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

First Reading ..... Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm (*Read Responsively*) ..... Psalm 31:9-16

Second Reading ..... Philippians 2:5-11

Children's Sermon

Gospel, *The Passion* ..... Matthew 26:14-27:66

Homily

\*Hymn of the Day "**In Christ Alone**" ..... screen

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## **SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL**

Offering

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\* Holy, Holy, Holy ..... page 69

\* Words of Institution ..... page 69

\* The Lord's Prayer ..... page 71

"Lamb of God" ..... page 72

† Communion (Hymns are listed on the screen.)

\* Blessing ..... page 72

\* Canticle "Lord, Now You Let" ..... LBW 73

\* Prayer, Benediction, and Dismissal ..... page 74

\* **Congregation will leave in silence**

\* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

## **Isaiah 50:4-9a**

<sup>4</sup> The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup> The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. <sup>6</sup> I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. <sup>7</sup> But the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a 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 is my adversary? Let him come near to me. <sup>9a</sup> Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty?

## **Psalms 31:9-16**

<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.

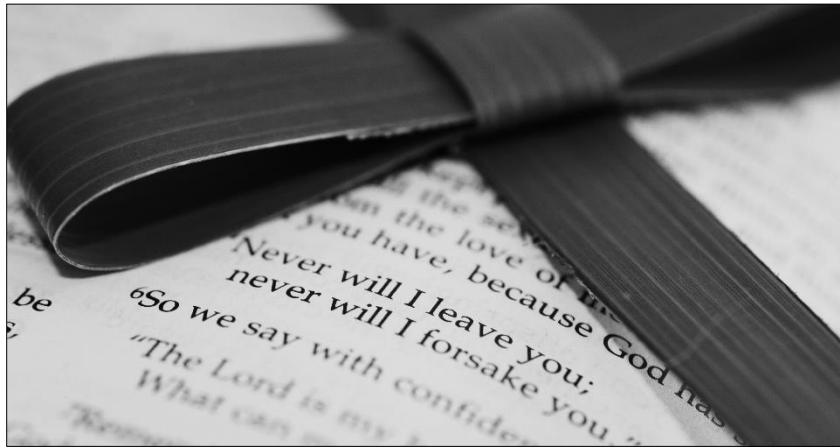
**<sup>14</sup> But I trust in you, O Lord;  
I say, "You are my God."**

<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!**

## **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 emptied himself, by 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.



## **Matthew 26:14–27:66**

*\* Please refer to the separate booklet, The Passion According to Matthew.*

*Please return the booklets to the narthex after service so we can reuse at a later date, thank you.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If anyone is physically unable to come to the altar, they may request the Pastor or Worship Assistant to bring them **communion** at their seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- **Maundy Thursday** service is April 6 at 7:00 PM and **Good Friday, Tenebrae Service**, is April 7 also at 7:00 PM.
- WoG's annual **Easter Egg Hunt** is Saturday, April 8, from **12:30 - 2:30 PM** in the picnic area. Volunteers are needed! For more information please contact Sue Burnett at [suegburnett@att.net](mailto:suegburnett@att.net).
- We will meet in the church parking at 6:45 AM for the **Easter Sunrise Service** and form the processional to the picnic area for service. **Traditional Easter Service** at 10:15 AM.
- The church office will be closed on Monday, April 10, in observance of Easter.
- **Discovery Class** will be offered for new members beginning Sunday, April 16. The group meets at 9:00 AM in room 2. For more information, please contact Pastor Jason, Vince Compagno, or sign up on the bulletin tear-off. All are welcome!
- Join us for a **Flower Arranging Workshop** on Saturday, April 29. Please **RSVP** on the bulletin tear-off or to Gwyn at [gwynandmike42@yahoo.com](mailto:gwynandmike42@yahoo.com).
- **K-5th Grade VBS Registration Link** is now active. Please visit <https://vbsmate.com/WOGLUTHERAN> to register. Dates are Monday, June 12, to Friday, June 16, 9:00 AM to noon.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, April 12, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, April 20, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at [suegburnett@att.net](mailto:suegburnett@att.net) for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, April 18 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, April 19 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, April 20 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at [ltcbowler@gmail.com](mailto:ltcbowler@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous Monday at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to [woglutheran@gmail.com](mailto:woglutheran@gmail.com).*

### February 2023 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, Scholarship, or Fish STIX funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance: 156

Monthly Giving: \$33,959

Monthly Benevolence: \$3,735

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**Upcoming Events**  
**Please Mark Your Calendars!**

- Sunday, April 2** - *Palm Sunday*  
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM**
- Monday, April 3** - **Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM**
- Wednesday, April 5** - **The Word at Midweek, 6:00 PM**
- Thursday, April 6** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**  
- **Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 PM**
- Friday, April 7** - **Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7:00 PM**
- Saturday, April 8** - **Easter Egg Hunt, 12:30 PM**
- Sunday, April 9** - *Easter Sunday*  
- **Easter Sunrise Service, 6:45 AM**  
- **Easter Morning Breakfast, 7:30 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 9:25 AM**  
- **Traditional Easter Worship Service, 10:15 AM**
- Monday, April 10** - *Church Office is Closed*  
- **Property Team Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Tuesday, April 11** - **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- Wednesday, April 12** - **Real Life Center Senior Bag Program, 9:00 AM**  
- **The Word at Midweek, 6:00 PM**
- Thursday, April 13** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Sunday, April 16** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**  
- **Discovery Class, 9:00 AM**  
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM**
- Monday, April 17** - **Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM**
- Tuesday, April 18** - **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- Wednesday, April 19** - **The Word at Midweek, 6:00 PM**
- Thursday, April 20** - **RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:00 AM**  
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**  
- **Fish STIX, 7:00 PM**  
- **Service Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM**

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