

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Radio Broadcast at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM and KMAV 105.5 FM
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Sunday, March 29, 2026
Palm Sunday ~ 8:30 AM
Guest Preacher: Rev. Kim Adams

PRELUDE

Organist: Vicky Grothmann

WELCOME / INTRODUCTION TO PALM SUNDAY / CHILDREN'S TIME

OPENING HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

ELW 344

Refrain: All glory, laud and honor to you, redeemer, king, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1) You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. (Refrain)*
- 2) The company of angels are praising you on high;
creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. (Refrain)*
- 3) The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. (Refrain)*
- 4) To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. (Refrain)*
- 5) Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. (Refrain)*

RESPONSIVE LITANY:

L: Today, we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus and his disciples into Jerusalem.

C: **Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord-
The King of Israel**

L: This week, we experience joys and sorrows, we experience highs and lows.

C: Palms and crosses remind us of victory and pain.

L: On Thursday, Jesus gives the commandment to love one another. Jesus washes the disciple's feet. Together with the disciples they have the last supper and go to the Garden of Gethsemane.

C: We go to Gethsemane in the darkest hour.

L: On Friday, Jesus is betrayed, arrested, tried and crucified.

C: They divided his garments among them and cast lots for his clothing.

L: This week, we experience joys and sorrows, we experience highs and lows.

C: We walk together in this Holy Week.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of Honor and Celebration,

C: Together we cry, "Hosanna!" to your son, who rode willingly and bravely into Jerusalem. Hear us as we celebrate your anointed one, Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN: "Prepare the Royal Highway"

ELW 264

1) Prepare the royal highway; the King of kings is near! Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear! Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story: Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!

2) God's people, see him coming: your own eternal king! Palm branches strew before him! Spread garments! Shout and sing! God's promise will not fail you! No more shall doubt assail you! Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!

3) Then fling the gates wide open to greet your promised king! Your king, yet ev'ry nation its tribute too may bring. All lands will bow before him; their voices join your singing: Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!

4) His is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heav'n above. His rule is peace and freedom and justice, truth, and love. So let your praise be sounding for kindness so abounding: Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!

FIRST READING: Psalm 118:19-29 (Read Responsively)

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹ **I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ **This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!

O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

you are my God, I will extol you.

²⁹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

SONG for the WORD: "Lead On, O King Eternal!"

ELW 805 V. 1

Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home. Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong; and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

GOSPEL READING: John 12:12-27 "Jesus's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem"

¹² The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³ So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—
the King of Israel!"

¹⁴ Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

¹⁵ "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.

Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

¹⁶ His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. ¹⁷ So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. ¹⁸ It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. ¹⁹ The Pharisees then said to one another, "You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!"

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks.
²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²² Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. ²⁷ "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour.

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ELW 338

1) Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand; the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land, a home within a wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noontide heat and burdens of the day.

2) Upon the cross of Jesus, my eye at times can see the very dying form of one who suffered there for me. And from my contrite heart, with tears, two wonders I confess: the wonder of his glorious love and my unworthiness.

3) I take, O cross, your shadow for my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss, my sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.

APOSTLES' CREED

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 into hell.**

**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.**

PRAYER SONG

ELW 752

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW 186

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.*

OFFERING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *ELW p. 154*

**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.**

SENDING HYMN: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

ELW 324

- 1) In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.*
- 2) When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.*
- 3) When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.*
- 4) Band and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.*

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

POSTLUDE

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's

Those celebrating birthdays today: Amy Redland, Kent Holmberg

God's Healing Presence for...

Glenn Brustad	Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)
Jeanie Swenson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Bonnie Spicer	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Becky Foss	Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)
Mya Oelrich	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Dan Bjorklund	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Jerry Boeddeker	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Bryan Mueller	Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Deb Kritzberger	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Carol Christianson	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Susie Anderson	Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)
Charlie Anderson	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend: *The family of Peggy Gilbertson*

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EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Paulette Bowersox (10:30) Mike & Kari Tweten

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Tenley Dickhoff, Logan Fitzner

ATTENDANCE: March 22, 2026 – 46 (8:30); 94 (10:30)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: March 22, 2026: \$8,850.00; March to date: \$20,527.75.

Income through Feb. 28, 2026: \$80,716.90; Expenses through Feb. 28, 2026:

\$69,492.45 Income less Expense: \$11,224.45

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

QUILTING: We are finished making quilts for this year, so we will not be meeting next Monday, March 30. We are planning to organize the supplies in the storeroom and will be having a *Blessing of the Quilts* before dispensing them. THANK YOU to all who attended the Monday workdays and those who have donated fabric and yarn. We were able to use the donations and purchased only batting this year. Be looking for information about future workdays.

The **Health Ministry Committee** is here to support the health and well-being of our church family. If you or a loved one need guidance, resources, prayer, or a listening ear, please know you're not alone. We are happy to help in any way we can. Please contact the church office for any requests or needs.

~Brenda Stallman, Krista Longthorne, Chrissy Torgerson, Maggie Wilson
and Katie Reese

W.O.W. (Women of the Word) MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

W.O.W. Bible Study meets on Mondays at 9 AM in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's Church. They began a six-week Lenten study on March 9th.
All are Welcome! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

FIRST COMMUNION for 5th graders will be held on **Thursday, April 2nd** during the Maundy Thursday worship service at 6:30 p.m. at Our Savior's Church.
Questions: Pastor Amanda @ 218-556-8895

HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY at the Hillsboro Armory, open the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 4-6pm.

Donated Items Needed Include: Canned Fruit - all flavors, Pasta – all kinds, Cans of *Chef Boyardee* ravioli & Spaghetti, Cereal, *Stove-Top* stuffing mix, *Hamburger Helper*, Juice – all flavors, Canned: Tuna, Beef & Beef stew, Crackers – assorted, Green beans, Peas, *Ramen* noodles, Cake mixes, Jelly – all flavors, Ketchup, Jell-O, Pudding
Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Toiletry items: Body Wash, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Kleenex, Napkins

Place your items in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Rich G. at 701-436-5777 or Dan C. at 701-430-1595.

APRIL 5TH is EASTER SUNDAY

Worship services at Our Savior's are at 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM. Fresh baked Cinnamon Rolls will be available from 8:30-11:00 a.m. (Free will offering to benefit the youth summer trip)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, March 29- Palm Sunday

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Contemporary Service
7:00pm Prayer Service- P. Gilbertson
7:00pm AA Meeting (2nd floor lounge)

Monday, March 30

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study
3:00pm Funeral- P. Gilbertson
6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, March 31

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, April 1

7:00am Men's Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Thursday, April 2

9:30am WELCA Exec meet
10:00am WELCA Meeting
10:45am Worship Service at HMC
Nursing Home Chapel
2-3pm Kiwanis Bldgs communion
services

6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service
with First Communion

Friday, April 3

6:30pm Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 5- Easter Sunday

7:30am Worship Service
8:30-11am Fresh Cinnamon Rolls
Fundraiser

9:30am Worship Service

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Usher Scheduling for 10:30am Sunday services:

We are still looking for volunteers to help with USHERING at the 10:30 AM service. Mike Tweten has set up a 'Sign-Up Genius' link where you can see available dates and sign-up. If you have any questions or can sign-up to volunteer, please scan the QR code on the left.