

*Sunday, March 25, 2018*

*9:00 a.m.*

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## ~Welcome Visitors!~

*Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.*

## **Worship Plan for Sunday, March 25, 2018**

ELW Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday

**\*INDICATES CONGREGATION TO STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

### **PREPARE FOR THE PROCESSION**

*If you would like to participate in the procession, please find a place to sit, take your bulletin and gather in the narthex for the gospel and blessing of palms*

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **\*ACCLAMATION**

**P:** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C:** Hosanna in the highest.

#### **\*PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: John 12:12-27**

**P:** The holy gospel according to John.

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**P:** <sup>12</sup>The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>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!"

<sup>14</sup>Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: <sup>15</sup>"Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. <sup>19</sup>The Pharisees then said to one another, "You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!"

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>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. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. <sup>27</sup>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.

**P:** The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## \*BLESSING OF PALMS

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept.*

**P:** 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.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us go forth in peace,

**C: in the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Andante*

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.  
 You are the King of Is-ra-el and Da-vid's roy-al Son,  
 The com-pa-ny of an-gels are prais-ing you on high,  
 The mul-ti-tude of pul-grims with palms be-fore you went,  
 To you be-fore you pas-sion, they sang their hymns of praise,  
 Then prais-es you ac-cept-ed, ac-cept the prayers we bring.

*Andante*

now in the Lord's name com-ing, our King and Bless-ed One  
 cre-ate from and all men-tals in cho-rus make re-sply,  
 our praise and prayer and an-thems be-fore you we pre-sent  
 To you, now high ex-all-ed, our mel-o-dy we raise  
 great au-thor of all good-ness, O good and gra-cious King.

\*PROCESSIONAL RESPONSE

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

C:  $\text{C}_4$  Hosanna in the highest.

**\* GREETING**

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

**C:** **And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A:** Let us pray. God of honor and celebration,  
Together we cry, “Hosanna!” to your son, who rode willingly and  
bravely into Jerusalem. Hear us as we celebrate your anointed one,  
Jesus Christ.

**C:** **Amen.**

**CHOIR** *Joyfully Sing*

**PSALM: Psalm 24**

**A:** <sup>1</sup>The earth is the LORD's and all | that is in it,  
the world and those who | dwell therein.

**C:** <sup>2</sup>**For the LORD has founded it up- | on the seas  
and established it up- | on the rivers.**

**A:** <sup>3</sup>Who may ascend the mountain | of the LORD,  
and who may stand in God's | holy place?

**C:** <sup>4</sup>**Those of innocent hands and puri- | ty of heart,  
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by |  
what is false.**

**A:** <sup>5</sup>They shall receive blessing | from the LORD  
and righteousness from the God of | their salvation.

**C:** <sup>6</sup>**Such is the generation of those who seek | you, O LORD,  
of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob.**

**A:** <sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting  
doors, that the King of glory | may come in.

**C:** <sup>8</sup>**Who is this | King of glory?**

**The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might- | y in battle!**

**A:** <sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting  
doors, that the King of glory | may come in.

**C:** <sup>10</sup>**Who is this | King of glory?**

**Truly, the LORD of hosts is the | King of glory.**

**BRIDGING GOD'S STORY**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

## **GOSPEL: John 19:16b-22**

**L:** <sup>16</sup>Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; <sup>17</sup>and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. <sup>18</sup>There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. <sup>19</sup>Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." <sup>20</sup>Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. <sup>21</sup>Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.'" <sup>22</sup>Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written."

**L:** The gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

## **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

### **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

**ELW 810**

### **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**A:** With the whole church, let us confess our faith  
**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**

**A:** Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

**A:** We pray for the church. Bless all who call upon your name. Unite your church in bearing witness to the gospel. Pour your love into our hearts, and inspire us to pour out our lives in service to your world...

**A:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**A:** ...Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C:** **Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**MISSION MINUTE**

**OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY** *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

**ELW 186**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**A:** Merciful God,  
receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving  
and the offering of our lives,  
that following in the way of the cross,  
we may know the joy of the resurrection;  
through Christ our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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## \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P:** Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup

we remember our Lord's passover from death to life

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**P:** O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us

and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P:** Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P:** With name/s and your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

*The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.*

**P:** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Return to God with all your heart.

Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

### **HOLY COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR**

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All are welcome to participate in this gift of life. Are you wondering what to expect?*

- *To read about what Lutherans believe about communion, please read "The Sacrament of the Altar" from the Small Catechism, which you will find in the back of the hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship on p. 1166.*
- *When you are ushered forward, please kneel or stand at the railing. When you are given bread, you may eat it. Wine and grape juice are served in trays with cups. Wine is purple; grape juice is yellow. Take a small cup and drink.*
- *Please let the server know if you need a gluten free option.*
- *You may receive a blessing without communion; please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.*
- *If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, please let the ushers know. We will come to you.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A:** 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 Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

**P:** May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth,  
and claimed us as children of the light,  
strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and give you ☐ peace.

**C: Amen.**

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Marked with the cross of Christ,  
go forth to love and serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ~Worship Leaders~

**Presider** ~ Rev. Brenda Lovick, Pastor

**Assisting Minister** ~ Holly Loomis **Lector** ~ Arvid Mathison

**Acolytes** ~ Sully Schlieckau & Anders Amundson

**Greeter** ~ Kurt & Barb Klemp

**Ushers** ~ Wilma Furseth, Ruth Bovre, Paul & Lori Olson

**Communion Set-up/Take-down** ~ Ruth Bovre & Lori Olson

**Communion Assistants** ~ Hilary Terland & Carole Kenseth

**Offering Counters** ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

**Musician** ~ Judy Rusch **Trombone** ~ Steve Lehr

**Choir Director** ~ Vicki Schuh **Nursery** ~ Jenna Christensen

**Audio Ministry** ~ Karen Hayes **Coffee Hour** ~ Palm Sunday Brunch

**Church Lock up** ~ Arvid Mathison

## ~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you. \*Denotes new/changed request.

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of John and Amy Lindstrom.

### **God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...**

-Tamisha Bogert

-Wilma Furseth

-Sylvia Gerlach

-Joann Zimmerman

-Justin Bloomer

-Bryan Porter

-Kevin Porter

-Phyllis Vergenz

-Sara Depies

-Lyle Walheim

-Lowell Severson

-Mary Ellen Christensen

### **God's protection & safety for people of the world.**

-For the work of Lutheran Disaster Response.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty.)

## *~Calendar~*

**Palm Sunday Brunch Today!** Join us in Friendship Hall following worship for a delicious Brunch served by our Youth.

### **Sunday, March 25, 2018**

- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Palm Sunday Brunch
- 10:15am Stewardship Committee Meeting

### **Monday, March 26, 2018**

- Pastor's Day Off
- Office Closed (Office hours on Friday)

### **Tuesday, March 27, 2018**

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for Our People
- 10am-12pm Pastor's Office Hours
- 1:00pm Cambridge Clergy Text Study

### **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**

- 10:30am Book Study
- 1:30pm Pastors Meeting at EKLC

### **Thursday, March 29, 2018**

- 6:30pm Choir Practice
- 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship

### **Friday, March 30, 2018**

- 8am– 2:30pm Office hours
- 12:00pm Cambridge Cross Walk
- 7:00pm Good Friday Worship @ Grace Lutheran, Cambridge

### **Sunday, April 1, 2018**

- 6:30am Sunrise Easter Worship at Upper Church
- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Easter Worship at Lower Church
- 10:00am Coffee Hour

### *~Attendance Report~*

March 18, 2018:	78
March 11, 2018:	76
March 4, 2018:	108
February 25, 2018:	90

## ~Announcements~

**Food, Fellowship and Fun Monday, April 16th at 11:30am.** Sign up in Narthex!

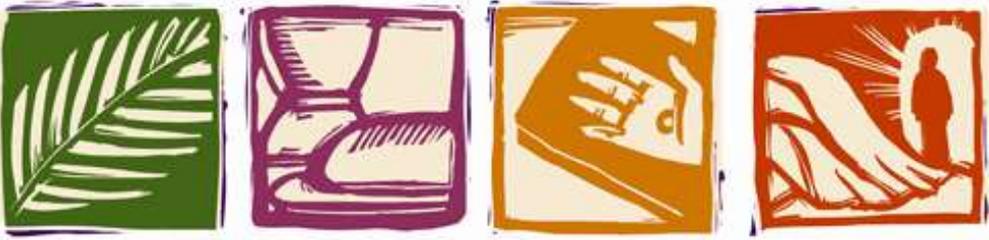
**New Membership Class April 29 at 10:15am** This meeting is for anyone interested in membership at East Koshkonong Lutheran. Bring your questions about the church and have a conversation with Pastor Brenda. We will meet in the council room (across the hall from the office)

**Youth Gathering Fundraiser** You may have noticed the wall of envelopes in the narthex to support the EKLC youth going to the 2018 Youth Gathering in Houston. This is a fundraiser to support this cause. There is a number on each envelope. Please take one or more and fill it with money to equal or exceed the amount on the envelope. Please put your name on the envelope and place it in the offering plate during Lent on Sundays or Wednesdays. The goal is to end up with all of the envelopes taken from the wall and filled. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!

**6th –8th Grade Cambridge Combined Youth Event: Saturday, April 14th Takin' a little trip-y to the Mighty Mississippi to the Mississippi River Museum in Dubuque, IA.** Meeting in Grace Lutheran parking lot at 9am. Admission \$15. Watching Jerusalem in 4D (that means you'll feel wind, mist, and the seats move too!) Permission forms available in Church Narthex.

**For this year's emphasis on giving for Lent,** the Worship Committee has chosen the Million Dollar Mission Jar Challenge which Sabra and Eric Jacobson introduced to us after the last Synod Assembly. World Hunger will be the recipient of this, and we encourage each family to participate with \$40 in 40 Days. If that level is not possible for you, then whatever you can manage will be much appreciated. This donation will be taken to Synod Assembly by our voting delegates, Hilary and Ryan Terland. Thank you so much for your participation.

**Attention Seniors** Join others from our community at the Amundson Center on Tuesdays and Fridays at noon for Area Senior Dining. Enjoy a delicious healthy meal and conversation. Open to anyone over the age of 60. For questions and to make reservations please call 608-838-7117. (Reservations need to be made at least 24 hours before) Suggested donation of \$4.



## *~Holy Week Worship Opportunities~*

***Palm Sunday***                      ***March 25***

*9:00am*      *Worship*

*10:00am*      *Palm Sunday Brunch*

***Maundy Thursday***              ***March 29***

*7:00pm*      *Worship at EKLC*

***Good Friday***                      ***March 30***

*12:00pm*      *Cambridge Community Cross Walk  
Begins at Veterans' Park*

*7:00pm*      *Good Friday Worship Service at Grace Lutheran  
In Cambridge. Pastor Brenda is partnering with  
Pastor Jennifer to lead worship at this service.  
All are welcome for a meaningful and  
contemplative worship experience.*

***Easter Sunday***                      ***April 1***

*6:30am*      *Sunrise Worship at Upper Church*

*9:00am*      *Worship at Lower Church*

*10:00am*      *Coffee Hour*