

Overland Park Lutheran Church

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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 Music
Welcome

*Processional Reading **Luke 19:28-40**
A: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

*Blessing of Palms

*Processional Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" ELW #344

* Confession and Forgiveness

* Prayer of the Day --- 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.

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-9a
A: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philippians 2:5-11

GOSPEL READING: **Luke 22:1— 23:56**
The Passion of Our Lord According to Luke

Palm Sunday Theatre

"This is a day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!"
Welcome to worship! We are so pleased that you are able to join us today to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. If you are without a church home, please know our door is always open to you. We welcome all our guests. If you are visiting today, please sign our Guest Book, so that we may properly acknowledge your visit with us.

* Hymn for the Message **“They Crucified My Lord”**

ELW #350

* *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 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.

* The Prayers **C: receive our prayer.**
* Sharing the Peace **C: And also with you.**

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

Special Music

Offertory **“Lamb of God”**

* Offertory Prayer

The Enduros
ELW #336

COMMUNION

* **Lord's Prayer**

* Communion Distribution

* Communion Blessing

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* Benediction

* Sending Song **“The King's Highway”**

The Enduros

* P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you. **C: Thanks be to God!**

We believe that Christ is really present in the Sacrament, and we hope you gain strength and comfort from that belief as well. All are welcome to Holy Communion. Please come forward as the ushers instruct. Elements will be distributed at altar (wine is red (outside edge), juice is amber (middle). Children who have not received first communion instruction, are invited to come forward for a blessing.

***- Denotes a time to stand during service. Please stand as you are able.**

HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES are available. Please see an usher for assistance.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Find us on

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TODAY'S Verse:

“Into your hands, O LORD, I commend my spirit.”

Psalm 31:5

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 65:17-25
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12

There will be no Children's Church Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday.

All children can participate in the festivities of the day. The ushers also have children's bulletins.

Church contacts:

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COFFEE HOUR!

Join us in the fellowship hall after the service.



If you can help with treats served with coffee, please sign up at the volunteer area by the mailboxes.



*Use this QR code for your online giving

In our prayers

The family of Keith Padgett, Alan Lewis, Grace Traynor, Jessica, Marley, Peter & Victoria, Sophia, Rick Cedillo, Heidi Sloan, Ben, Sam, Delia, Bobbi & Craig Poterbin, Amber Morlan, Caden, Tanya Wright, Rebecca Toth, Jerry Etsa, Jallu Tarkka, Julie Smith, Marie Mott Stevenson, Bobbie Neward, Dylan Dossett, Barbara Latham, Doug Cox, Jake Burkholder, Louie Tremonti, Don Mott, Melinda Lickteig

Please update the office regarding any prayer requests by sending an email or filling out a prayer request card.

****UPCOMING EVENTS****

TODAY— Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 9-11am. All funds donated help OPLC and OPPC youth. Tickets are \$5 for a single, \$10 for family of 2 or more. Includes pancakes, sausage, fruit, and drink.

April 16th — **Red Cross Blood Drive** 1-5:00pm Sign up at redcrossblood.org and enter: OPLutheranandPresbyterian — **Choir Practice** 6:00pm Choir Loft

April 17th — **Maundy Thursday Service** W/ Communion 7pm There will be a cake reception following to celebrate our students taking their 1st Communion.

April 18th—**Good Friday Service** 7pm

Give Thanks Food Drive- Tuesday is the last day to bring cans for this food drive. The Mini Pantry is always needing help staying stocked, so watch for more ways you can help.

Easter Potluck- We will have combined breakfast on Easter Sunday from 9:00am-11:30am. Please bring a breakfast food item to share.