STORM LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PALM SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024 COLOR: PURPLE

PRELUDE

"Spring Song"
"All Glory, Laud, & Honor"

Deanna Larson, organist L. Vierne M. Burkhardt

WELCOME

Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand and join in singing...

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosannas" (kids enter waving palms) UMH # 278

Hosanna loud hosanna
The little children sang
Through pillared court and temple
The lovely anthem rang
To Jesus who had blessed them
Close folded to His breast
The children sang their praises
The simplest and the best

-Verse 2From Olivet they followed
Mid an exultant crowd
The victor palm branch waving
And chanting clear and loud
The Lord of earth and heaven
Rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children
Should on His bidding wait

-Verse 3Hosanna in the highest
That ancient song we sing
For Christ is our Redeemer
The Lord of heaven our King
O may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice

Please be seated...
SPECIAL MUSIC

SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS SING

Joan Rude, director

Please stand and join in the Call to Worship and read responsively... Katie Bauer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Dear Friends, we have come to travel through this holiest week.

P: Lord, prepare my heart to be a holy sanctuary for you.

L: Come to God as you are.

- P: Here I am Lord. Take my heart.
- L: This is our time to come back to God through repentance.

P: Come into my heart, O God.

- L: Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow.
- P: Yes, we will follow for he is the life we long for.
- L: Jesus Christ he is the Word who sustains us.
- P: We wave palm branches in anticipation; we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.
- L: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, Jesus comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us.
- P: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God. Hosanna!

Please join in the ...

Katie Bauer

*OPENING PRAYER

Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's Name! We stand at the gates of our Jerusalem and wave our branches high. We get caught up in the excitement of the parade. Jesus sits astride a donkey, a beast of burden bearing a most precious gift. Let the joy fill your hearts this day as we shout our Hosannas. Praise God for the wondrous ways in which our lives have been touched. Prepare our hearts to worship and celebrate this day.

*GLORIA PATRI

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH # 70

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end
Amen Amen

Please join in the...

Katie Bauer

*PRAYER CONFESSION

We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves from reaching out to those who need your care. We take your words - that there will always be unmet needs - as a reason not to try to meet the needs we can. Forgive us and help us to change. Renew our determination to live as faithful followers, faithful disciples, faithful Christians. Help us to work with you for the well-being of your creation, so that the fortunes of all your peoples may be restored. Amen.

Please be seated and hear these...

Katie Bauer

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

L: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are also forgiven!

ALL: Glory to God! Amen!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth
will grow strangely dim
in the light of his glory and grace.
(repeat all)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, AND BY THE PEOPLE

Please observe a short moment of silence after each prayer, then the leader would conclude: Lord, in your mercy, and all may respond: Hear our prayer.

Together, let us pray:

L: for the people of this congregation...(moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: Hear our prayer

L: for those who suffer and those in trouble...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy.

P: Hear our prayer

L: for the concerns of this local community...(Moment of silence)

Lord, in your mercy. P: Hear our prayer

L: for the world, its peoples, and its leaders...(Moment of silence)
Lord, in your mercy.

P: Hear our prayer

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Joan Rude

HYMN OF ILLUMINATION "Thy Word is a Lamp"

UMH #601

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still you're there right beside me
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bob North

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 11:1-11

Bob North

SERMON

"Why are you doing this?"

Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko

MOMENT OF TRANSFORMATION

(This is a moment for us to commune with God. Feel free to pray right where you are or you can come to the altar as we sing "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" UMH #286)

(continued...)

O sacred Head now wounded
With grief and shame weighed down
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns Thine only crown
How pale thou art with anguish
With sore abuse and scorn
How does that visage languish
Which once was bright as morn

-Verse 2What Thou my Lord hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain
Mine mine was the transgression
But Thine the deadly pain
Lo here I fall my Savior
'Tis I deserve Thy place
Look on me with Thy favor
Vouchsafe to me Thy grace

-Verse 3What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee dearest friend
For this Thy dying sorrow
Thy pity without end
O make me Thine forever
And should I fainting be
Lord let me never never
Outlive my love to Thee

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again 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 LORD'S PRAYER

Colton Lindgren

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. Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVING OFFERING

Deanna Larson, organist

"Jesus United by Thy Grace"

arr. N. Johnson

Tithing & Offerings / online giving / VENMO: @StormLake-UMC Offering plates will be passed.

Please sign the attendance books at the end of each pew, and pass down the row.

*Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Please stand and join in singing...

*DOXOLOGY

No 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER (Based on Mark 11:1-11)

Katie Bauer

Heavenly Father, as we bring our gifts and lay them at your altar, we remember the crowds in Jerusalem who laid their cloaks on the road, shouting "Hosanna" as Jesus passed. We know they were looking for a Messiah who was different from who you sent Jesus to be – not one of political power and military might, but one who came in compassion and mercy to heal, love, and save. Search our hearts that we might be confident that the Messiah for whom we long is the one you know we need – Jesus Christ, your anointed one, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Shalom to You"

UMH # 666

Shalom to you now
Shalom my friends
May God's full mercies
bless you my friends
In all your living
And through your loving
Christ be your shalom
Christ be your shalom

*BENEDICTION
*CLOSING PRAYER SONG

A CLOSING PRAYER

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our sep'rate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.
May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ,
His Son, Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.
May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen

POSTLUDE

Deanna Larson, organist W. Selby



Sunday, March 24th

PALM SUNDAY

8:30 am-Confirmation 9:00 am-Kids Sunday School 10:00 am-Worship w/Kids Sing 4:00 pm-Last Supper Drama Dress Rehearsal

Monday, March 25th

10:00 am-XYZ Exercise class 4:00 pm-Food Distribution 6:30 pm-Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby

Tuesday, March 26th

9:30 am-Staff meeting 3:30 pm-Zone 1st-3rd graders

Wednesday, March 27th

3:30 pm Zone 4 6

5:00 pm-Handbell practice 6:00pm-LENTEN SERVICE

6:00 pm Youth 7th 8th
7:00 pm Youth Meal
7:30 pm-Youth 9th 12th @FCA

Thursday, March 28th

4:30 pm-Missions meeting 7:30 pm-LAST SUPPER DRAMA

Sunday, March 31th

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 am Confirmation 9:00 am Kids Sunday School 10:00 am-Worship

Birthdays this week in March

Ariana Chilton 2lst Logan McVinua 25th JoAn Lund 27th 29th Avery DeHaan 29th Bobby Khaoone Wayne Stark 29th Feryle Berkland 30th Joan Kruse 30th







Jenny (Brouwer) Allen Kathy Wadsley Melva Bainbridge Tyler Crandell Coleen Baughman Those battling Lance Bellinghausen depression. Donna Blom Aaron Johnson Virginia Carlson Corey Petersen Drew Havens Lori Hermsted John Nichols Barb Hadenfeldt Kim Piercy Judy (Polly's cousin) Caroline Kluver Deb Richardson Karen Salmen Frank Popp **Bev Schmidt** Tias Hecht David Walker Isabell Daniel Margaret Weber Sherise Ellis

Wayne Stark

Kellee Barnett



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