

A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY. GROWING. CARING. SERVING.

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TRADITIONAL SERVICE
MARCH 23/24
PALM SUNDAY



Please silence your cell phone. Thank you.

Welcome to Worship

If you are a visitor please stop at the Welcome Desk in the lower level for a visitor bag. For more information contact us at www.zionanoka.org.

PREACHING
Pastor Sue Wallager
ASSISTING
Pastor Connie Tiede
ORGANIST (5 PM, 8 & 9 AM) - Deb Oas Koepsell
MUSICIANS (11 AM) - Worship Team

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Mark 11:1-11

OPENING LITANY:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna to the Lord.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

WORD FOR KIDS (9 & 11 AM)

KID'S ANTHEM (9 & 11 AM):

GRFFTING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Jesus rode into Jerusalem not as a conquering king but in humility, the Servant King, ready to complete the task for which he had walked this world.

Forgive us those times when we think too highly of ourselves and remind us always that you ask from us lives dedicated to service, to you and to our neighbors, wherever and whoever they might be. Enable us to take off our cloaks of self-righteousness and lay them down at your feet.

Hear the good news: Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave...and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Through his obedience we are freed from whatever sin enslaves us. **Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

After each petition

Lord of the Cross...

Hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

TEXT: 763-710-2209

ONLINE: <u>www.zionanoka.org</u> click on "GIVE TODAY"

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MEAL

OFFERING | SPECIAL MUSIC:

9 AM: "Hosanna! The King Comes Today"by Lund Zion Adult Choir; Jonathan Campbell, dir.; LeaAnn Barnett, piano

11 AM: "Hosanna"...... by Baloche and Brown Worship Team

OFFERTORY: When it Seems the Day Will End, vs 1



Text: Justin Rimbo, b. 1980 Music: HUMBLE WALK, Justin Rimbo Text and music © 2020 Augsburg Fortress

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these gifts, which we have received from you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

DISTRIBUTION/DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

When We Are Tested



Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

Amen.

THE PASSION STORY - The Passion Story according to St. Mark

5 рм: Reader 1 - Greg Bergeron; Reader 2 - Judy Bendiske

8 AM: Reader 1 - Marty Gray; Reader 2 - Ron Gray

9 AM: Reader 1 - Doug Jones; Reader 2 - Bob Fischer

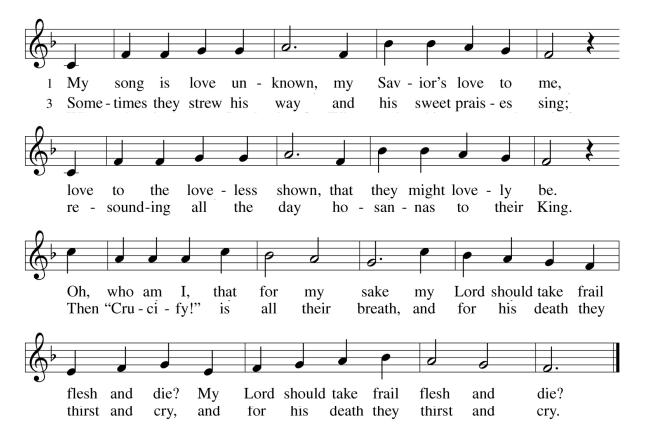
11 AM: Reader 1 - Sylvia Goldman; Reader 2 - Carol Loyd

Reader 1: As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

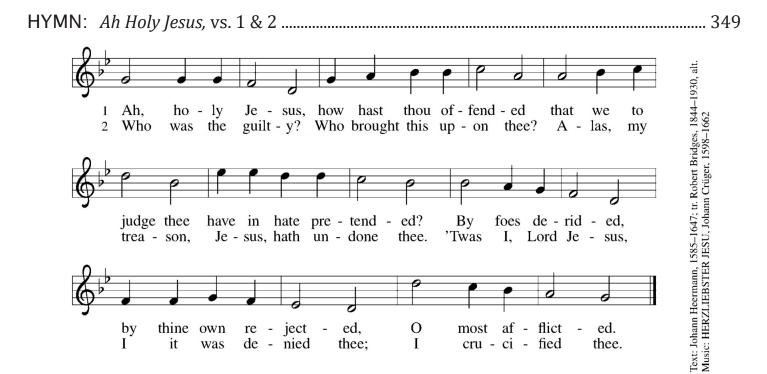
Reader 2: Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom.

Reader 1: Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

HYMN: My Song Is Love Unknown, vs. 1 & 3



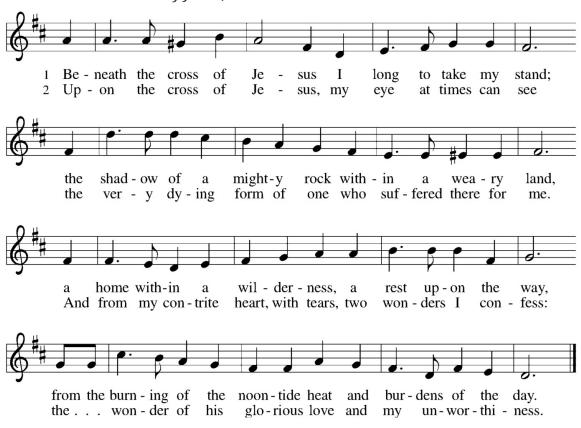
Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624–1683 Music: RHOSYMEDRE, John D. Edwards, 1806–1885 Reader 2: Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.



MARK 15:21-32

Reader 1: They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

Reader 2: It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.



Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830–1869 Music: ST. CHRISTOPHER, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

MARK 15:33-39

Reader 1: When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

MEDITATION: Pastor Sue Wallager

SENDING

SENDING HYMN: Go to Dark Gethsemane, vs. 1, 2 & 3



Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854 Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

DISMISSAL:

We are now in Holy Week. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

HOSPITAL VISITS AND PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member are in the hospital or have had a change in your health status and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office at 763-421-4656, email Kristine at kjohnson@zionanoka.org or Pr. Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org or let any of the pastors know. The pastoral staff will be very happy to visit you and provide pastoral care. Thank you.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

One of Zion's most important ministries is reaching out to our homebound members. We do this by radio, Cable-TV and livestreaming of worship services, visits by our Visitation Minister Ken Johnson, Zion's monthly newsletter "The Herald" and monthly services at assisted living facilities. Sharing Holy Communion is one of the most meaningful ways we connect with our homebound members. Zion has a visitation team that provides this ministry. If you or a family member would like a monthly home communion visit please call the church office at 763-421-4656. We are also looking for kind, caring souls to add to our visitation team. Please contact Pastor Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org if you would like to become part of the *Home Communion Visitation Team*.

PRAYER MINISTRY INVITATION

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, complete a green prayer card located in the Sanctuary pew racks, in Zion's Chapel and also at the front desk or you can email your celebration/concern to prayer@zionanoka.org. If you would like to be a part of Zion's Prayer Team Ministry or would like more information, contact Pastor Sue swallager@zionanoka.org.

GREEN PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew holders for you to write a prayer request. Place them in the wooden prayer collection boxes located in the Sanctuary, Chapel or at the Welcome Desk. All prayer concerns or thanksgivings are confidential and are shared only with the Prayer Team.

CONGREGATIONAL GODPARENTS NEEDED

Every child needs AAA (authentic, available and affirming) adults in their lives – the more the better! At Zion we believe in "marinating" our children in prayer and being present from the beginning. That is why we have Congregational Godparents – AAA adults who are willing to be present at the baptism of a child and pray for them every day and send cards (which are provided) on their birthdays and the anniversary of their baptism. It's an easy job, but a vital one. We are in need of people who would like to be part of this ministry and be present at the baptism. Contact Pr Connie at ctiede@zionanoka.org or Kristine Johnson at kjohnson@zionanoka.org for more info.

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP

Hearing Assistance Units Available

Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

Mobility Concerns

We have areas in the sanctuary where a wheelchair or walker will fit. Ushers can assist you.

Children Welcome

Activity bags are available outside the sanctuary. We have two "pray grounds" in the sanctuary with plenty of places just outside the sanctuary as well where children can sit and play.

LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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JOIN US AS HOLY WEEK CONTINUES

March 28: Maundy Thursday.

Worship at 12 noon & 6:30 pm

Jesus proclaims, "I AM the Bread of Life. And we share in that bread together in the gift of Holy Communion.

March 29: Good Friday.

Family service at 10 AM & 6:00 pm | Chapel Traditional worship at 12 noon & 6:30 pm | Sanctuary

"I AM" He...Jesus tells us that the one who sent him is with Jesus and he has been sent to be lifted up for all people.

March 30 & 31: Celebration of Easter.

Saturday worship at 5 pm | Sanctuary Sunday worship at 8, 9:30 &11 am | Sanctuary

We proclaim together Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!