

Hosanna



*in the
highest!*

Matthew 21:9



Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the “Means of Grace” — God’s gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

Palm Sunday

April 9th, 2023

The congregation gathers in the narthex. Please take both a bulletin and a palm branch.

The Coming

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
- C** **Hosanna in the highest!**

The Triumphal Entry

Matthew 21:1–11

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.
- C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say,

- C** **‘The Lord needs them,’**
and he will send them at once.”

⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

- C** **“Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”**

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and

that followed him were shouting,

C “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

¹⁰And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying,

C “Who is this?”

¹¹And the crowds said,

C “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of Palms

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

The people raise their palm branches.

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 the Lord.

The people follow the cross and minister in procession into the sanctuary and may be seated. Palm branches may be laid around the altar and up the center aisle.

Hosanna

choir

Stand

P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

C Hosanna in the highest!

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LSB 442 st. 1,3

ref 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*

- 3 The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before you went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before you we present. *Refrain*

The Conflict

Sit

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:12–17

¹²And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹³He said to them, "It is written,

C "My house shall be called a house of prayer," but you make it a den of robbers."

¹⁴And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them.

¹⁵But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple,

C "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

they were indignant, ¹⁶and they said to him,

C "Do you hear what these are saying?"

And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read,

C "'Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies
you have prepared praise?'"

¹⁷And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LSB 442 st. 4

*ref All glory, laud, and honor
To you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

- 4 To you before your passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To you, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23–27

²³ When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said,

C "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?"

²⁴Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me

the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying,

C "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet."

²⁷So they answered Jesus,

C "We do not know."

And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

Stand

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:28–32

²⁸“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹And he answered,

C ‘I will not,’

but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered,

C ‘I go, sir,’

but did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said,

C “The first.”

Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

Confession

P Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

C **Lord, forgive us for failing to serve your people. Forgive us also for stubbornly turning our backs on your commandments and promises.**

P Jesus brings the kingdom of God to a sinful creation. As God’s anointed one he destroys the barrier sin creates between God and humankind – between God and you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33–46

³³[Jesus said:] “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants and went into another country.

³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves,

C ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’

³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him,

C “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

C “‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

**this was the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes'?**

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

Ah, Holy Jesus

ELW 349 st.1

**1 Ah, holy Jesus, how has thou offended,
That we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted!**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:15–21, 46

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk.

¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,

C "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius.

²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said,

C "Caesar's."

Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ⁴⁶ And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Presentation of the Offering

Please sign the Friendship Register located on each pew and pass it to others seated with you so that we may have a record of all those who are worshipping and receiving communion with us today.

Ah, Holy Jesus

ELW 349 v 5

**5 Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
Not my deserving.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 23:1-12, 37-39

¹Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, ²"The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat, ³so practice and observe whatever they tell you—but not what they do. For they preach, but do not practice. ⁴They tie

up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on people's shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to move them with their finger. ⁵They do all their deeds to be seen by others. For they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long, ⁶and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues ⁷and greetings in the marketplaces and being called rabbi by others. ⁸But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brothers. ⁹And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. ¹⁰Neither be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Christ. ¹¹The greatest among you shall be your servant. ¹²Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

³⁷“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁸See, your house is left to you desolate. ³⁹For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say,

C “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”

Ah, Holy Jesus

ELW 349 st.3

3 Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
The slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered.
For atonement, while we nothing heeded,
God interceded.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:1–5, 14–16

¹When Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said to his disciples, ²“You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”

³Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, ⁴and plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. ⁵But they said,

C “Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.”

¹⁴Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵and said,

C “What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?”

And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him.

Ah, Holy Jesus

ELW 349 st.2

2 Who was the guilty? Who brought upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee!
‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.

Homily

The Covenant

Stand

Preface

Matthew 26:17–25

¹⁷Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,

C “Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?”

¹⁸He said, “Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’” ¹⁹And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

²⁰When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. ²¹And as they were eating, he said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.” ²²And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another,

C “Is it I, Lord?”

²³He answered, “He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.” ²⁵Judas, who would betray him, answered,

C “Is it I, Rabbi?”

He said to him, “You have said so.”

Words of Institution

Matthew 26:26–29

²⁶Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” ²⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us your body and blood to eat and to drink, you lead us to remember and confess your holy cross and passion, your blessed death, your rest in the tomb, your resurrection from the dead, your ascension into heaven, and your coming for the final judgment. So, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

1 Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God. *Refrain*

ref O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in his precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

3 I was so lost, I should have died,
But You have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod,
And to be called a lamb of God. *Refrain*

Sit

Distribution

We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God.

We also believe that this eating and drinking is a confession of our faith. If you share our faith, and particularly if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit. If you do not confess the understanding of the Christian Faith as expressed by the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, you may still come to the altar to receive a blessing. Please fold your hands to indicate that you will not be receiving the sacrament.

Remember

Choir

Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

LSB 350

1 Come, thou precious Ransom, come,
Only hope for sinful mortals!
Come, O Savior of the world!
Open are to thee all portals.
Come, thy beauty let us see;
Anxiously we wait for thee.

2 Enter now my waiting heart,
Glorious King and Lord most holy.
Dwell in me and ne'er depart,
Though I am but poor and lowly.
Ah, what riches will be mine
When Thou art my guest divine!

3 My hosannas and my palms
Graciously receive, I pray thee;
Evermore, as best I can,
Savior, I will homage pay thee,
And in faith I will embrace,
Lord, thy merit through thy grace.

4 Hail! Hosanna, David's Son!
Jesus, hear our supplication!
Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown,
Bring us blessing and salvation,
That forever we may sing:
Hail! Hosanna to our King.

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

LSB 444

1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet
With banners and with drums,
No sound of music's martial beat:
"The King of glory comes!"
To greet what pomp of kingly pride
No bells in triumph ring,
No city gates swing open wide:
"Behold, behold your King!"

2 And yet he comes. The children cheer;
With palms his path is strown.
With ev'ry step the cross draws near:
The King of glory's throne.
Astride a colt he passes by
As loud hosannas ring,
Or else the very stones would cry
"Behold, behold your King!"

3 What fading flow'rs his road adorn;
The palms, how soon laid down!
No bloom or leaf but only thorn
The King of glory's crown.
The soldiers mock, the rabble cries,
The streets with tumult ring,
As Pilate to the mob replies,
"Behold, behold your King!"

4 Now he who bore for mortals' sake
The cross and all its pains
And chose a servant's form to take,
The King of glory reigns.

Hosanna to the Savior's name
Till heaven's rafters ring,
And all the ransomed host proclaim
"Behold, behold your King!"

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

LSB 441 (tune 920)

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy pow'r and reign.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Sending

Matthew 26:30–32

- ³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.
³¹Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night.
For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'
³²But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

Announcements

Serving in worship today

April 2, 2023

Pastor:

Jason Neel

Elder:

Jeff Williams

Phil Hagel

Reader:

Peggy Peterson

Usher:

Sue Anderson

In our prayers

Celebrating Birthdays: Abby Schoenbauer 4/2, Jason Neel 4/2, Jennifer Williams 4/3, Dyllon Degler 4/4, and Miriam Miller 4/6.

Celebrating Baptism: Elaine Hayden 4/6.

Celebrating Anniversaries: Josh and Bridget Smith 4/5

This Week at a Glance

Today	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Women's Ministry Planning
	12:00 p.m.	Congregational Prayer
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	6:45 p.m.	Maundy Thursday
Friday	6:45 p.m.	Good Friday Service
Saturday	6:45 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Easter Service 1
	8:15 a.m.	Easter Pancake Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Easter Service 2

Notes of Information:

Thank you: We would like to thank all our volunteers whose time and talents make such an impact on our community. We would especially like to thank Steve Johnson for the beautiful new custom-made shelving in Pastor Jason's office and the library and Chuck Kolk for the beautiful cross for our worship space.

April Book of the Month: The Ragamuffin Gospel by Brennan Manning
Suitable for teens and adults

We believe in God's grace but somehow, we can't seem to apply it to our daily lives. We become acutely aware of our sin and wonder if God notices, too. Or circumstances allow doubt to seep in (why did this happen?) and we take our eyes off Jesus. Manning's *The Ragamuffin Gospel* reminds us Jesus loves us as we are, not as we should be; that we are accepted, even though we are unacceptable. Manning uses scripture and personal experiences to help us turn our hearts back to God, and rest securely in his amazing grace and unending love for us.

But however, much sin increased, grace was always greater; Romans 5:20
Amen!

Trinity First Needs Volunteers: Please see posted in the narthex Trinity First Volunteer needs for May/June. In May they have a Spring Musical, Graduation & Recognition Service/Banquet, and classroom wrap-up. Then in June they have their "Summer Bridge to Success". They need classroom aids, field trip chaperones, donations of paper products and food for breakfast and lunch and servers, and classroom wrap up to prepare for floor cleaning/facility projects. Contact info is posted. Start thinking about how you or your group can serve.

Women's Ministry Planning: Join us Tuesday, April 4th at 12:00 NOON for Pizza and planning. We will be developing a "Strategic Plan" to grow our opportunities for spiritual enrichment, for building connections with SOC women and for service to our community.

Coffee and water will be provided and a cash donation for the pizza will be accepted. This follows our monthly Women's Bible Study which starts at 10:30 AM. Questions? contact Linda Schwanbeck. (Email: readlyngirl@gmail.com)

Special Congregational Meeting: There will be a special voter's meeting on April 16, 2023, at 10:15 am in the Narthex. Please see insert for details.

NACE: North Anoka County Emergency Food Shelf is in dire need of new socks for all ages. If you would like to donate new socks, please bring them into the Narthex and place them in the box.

Hope 4 Youth: Hope 4 Youth is a local shelter for teens and young adults through age 21. They provide a place for unhoused teens and young adults. They need water bottles, if you would like to donate a flat or two of water bottles, please place them in the Narthex, if you have any questions, please contact Beth Gerard.

Portals of Prayer: New portals of prayer are available in the Narthex.

Anoka/Coon Rapids Women's Connection: The Anoka/Coon Rapids Women's Connection is hosting a morning of fun and fellowship at Majestic Oaks Country Club, 701 Bunker Lake Blvd, Ham Lake, MN. On April 13 from 9:15 am to 11 am, the cost is \$15 which includes the cost of breakfast. Special feature : History of Hats Style show by Judy Misener. Come and see hats from

over the years and find out the history behind them. Women will be modeling them! Judy, a floral designer, will also speak on the many hats a mother wears! **RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED by April 3rd**, call Nancy at 763-767-0308 or email Judy at dj1245@comcast.net

Women's Bible Study: Tuesday, April 4th, 2023- Our Women's Bible Study starts at 10:30 We will explore the topic- "God's Chosen People.... yesterday and today. We will discuss three of God's Covenants as follows: The "Abrahamic Covenant", The Mosaic Covenant" and the " New Covenant". We are called as God's Chosen People. Hope to see you there!

Concordia University Concerts:

Christus Chorus & Band/Orchestra Concerts

Concordia University, St. Paul invites you to attend these two amazing concerts featuring the God-given talents of our students and conductors: 1) The Christus Chorus Home Concert, Friday, April 30, 7:30. p.m., Graebner Memorial Chapel; 2) The Concert Band & String Ensemble Spring Concert, Sunday, April 30, 7:00 p.m., Buetow Music Auditorium. Both are free and open to the public.

LWML Mission Byte: Financial Assistance for the Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Food and Clothing Co-Op -to Purchase food. The food Co-op spends approximately \$7,500 a month on items such as eggs, milk, cheese, ground beef, fruits and vegetable, and other perishables as well as diapers, wipes, and over-the-counter medications to 80%- 85% of food needs to future pastors and deaconesses at no cost to them.

(www.ctsfw.edu) *Please pray for and support as you can.*

Monthly 1% Mission Outreach: As God's Stewards, we are called to serve. A great way to do this is to apply for the Monthly 1% Mission Outreach offering. Simply fill out a request form, state your outreach ministry, and how the funds will be used. Then return your request to the Stewardship Board. Some past activities have included homeless kits, backpacks for World Relief, diaper kits, shopping for food shelf items, and holiday baskets for families. Be creative! Our Lord will use the talents and gifts He has given you to bless others.

Nursery: The nursery is open, and the sound is working. If you have a restless child, please feel free to use this space.

Sermons and bulletins posted online: Audio and video recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly. Bulletins and past sermons can be found at www.spiritofchristhamlake.org

Offerings via Give+: Online giving is easy to do, one-time gifts and recurring donations are accepted. Visit the link at socl.org to sign up or learn more.

Average Monthly Offering	\$6475
Average offering needed per	\$6662

<i>week to fulfill work plan</i>	
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Readings for next week:

Acts 10:34-43, Jeremiah 31:1-6, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-18



Palm/Passion Sunday
April 2, 2023, 9 am

Maundy Thursday
April 6, 2023, 6:45 pm

Good Friday
April 7, 2023, 6:45 pm

Easter Vigil
April 8, 2023, 6:45 pm

Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023, 7 am and 10 am

A pancake breakfast will be served from 8:15 to 9:30 by the SOC Youth Group.

Special Congregational Meeting

Sunday, April 16, 2023

10:30 AM

The Building Improvement and Finance Committees have now gathered enough information to present to the congregation. It is the belief of the Committees that we are now ready to vote on the next steps. It is our hope that you will attend this very important meeting to have your voice be heard, and to be a part of the discussions on how God wants us to use our resources for His glory.

At this meeting the overall financial picture will be presented which will include bids on:

- Roofing and siding
- Church entrance logo
- Sidewalk repair - concrete work
- Parking lot patch and overlay
- Road sign - update

Please take a look in the Narthex for a sneak peek of the architect's rendition. It is important that as many members as possible be present for this significant meeting. Everyone's opinion matters and is valued.

There may be members that will not be able to attend this important meeting but would like their thoughts and vote to be included. We can offer to Zoom this meeting, but you must let the office know of your intent before April 13th by calling 763-755-7234.



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