



# Humility

## Palm Sunday 2022

*First Lutheran Church - Putting Christ First  
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WELCOME! We hope that this service will be a blessing to you. Please complete the black friendship register and pass it down your pew. As it's passed back to you, remove the completed sheet and place it in the offering plate after noting those sharing your pew.

## **\*THE INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen**

**OPENING SONG:** “My Song Is Love Unknown” vv 1-4

**LBW 94**

## **WE CONFESS**

**P** Let us confess our sin and griefs and hear the comfort of the Lord.

**C** Lord Jesus Christ, when you entered Jerusalem, the crowds welcomed you with joy and praised you with loud Hosannas! But only five days later, the crowds despised and rejected you, demanding that you be crucified. We too are fickle in our love for you. We ask your forgiveness and mercy for all the times we have turned away from you. Help us, we pray, by your Holy Spirit, at all times to welcome your word; at all times, to welcome You. Amen

## **WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF SALVATION**

**P** When Jesus Christ came to Jerusalem, the city wasn't truly prepared to receive him. But Jesus came anyway! That's the good news of forgiveness and salvation. No matter how unprepared we are; no matter that we're not ready or worthy; Jesus comes anyway. He doesn't despise or reject us on account of our sin. He comes into our lives and saves us from our sin, no matter what it costs him. The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**C** And also with you.

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to take upon our flesh and to suffer death on the cross, that all humanity should follow the example of his humility. Mercifully grant that

we may follow the example of his patience and be partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**FIRST READING**

Deuteronomy 32:36-39

<sup>36</sup>“For the Lord will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. <sup>37</sup>Then he will say, ‘Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, <sup>38</sup>who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! <sup>39</sup>See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.’”

**PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29** (*responsively by half verse*)

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**SECOND READING**

Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**GOSPEL**

Luke 19:28-40

<sup>28</sup> And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> And

they said, "The Lord has need of it." <sup>35</sup> And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was drawing near - already on the way down the Mount of Olives - the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" <sup>39</sup> And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

## SERMON:

### "CHARACTER OF A DISCIPLE: HUMILITY"

**HYMN:** "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

**Insert**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

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#### **THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Mighty God, create in your church a hunger for having the same mind as Christ, so that our lives show forth a sense of humility and selflessness. Through our witness and the power of your Holy Spirit bring us to the day when every knee shall bend, and tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

*Lord in your mercy ... hear our prayer.*

Holy God, your Son accepted the praises of the crowds who worshipped in Jerusalem. Fill this congregation with such love and zeal that we may eagerly worship and praise our Savior, humbly do your will, and lovingly serve our neighbor in his name. *Lord in your mercy ... hear our prayer.*

God of creation, should we neglect to give you praise, the earth itself would shout "Hosanna!" May we recognize in creation a gift from your hand and be more diligent and faithful in our stewardship of that gift.

*Lord, in your mercy ... hear our prayer.*

Light of the Nations, grant that the light of your healing might shine on those living with illness, addiction, loneliness, or anxiety [especially ...]. Bless them with your tender care and turn their mourning into joy.

*Lord in your mercy ... hear our prayer.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**OFFERING**

**THE CLOSING RESPONSIVE READING**

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

C Hosanna in the highest!

P Give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C For His mercy endures forever.

**CLOSING SONG: "Prepare the Royal Highway"**

**LBW 26**

P May God be merciful to us and bless us, as we enter this holy week.

C May God be merciful to us and bless us.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Lion's Club Rose Day was on Saturday. The altar flowers have been given by Richard and Peggy Wince, in honor of Palm Sunday.

**BIRTHDAYS!**

Deb Hetland 4/10	Jim Hetland 4/11
Connie Worden 4/13	Steve Boettger 4/15
Scott Krabbe 4/15	Jill Vodden 4/17
Marti Valasek 4/19	

**ANNIVERSARIES!**

Lenny & Sue Peterson 4/10/1976  
Herb & Dolores Plote 4/24/1954



### **BLACK FRIENDSHIP PEW BOOKLET**

Please complete the black friendship register and pass it down your pew or share with those sitting around you. Place this form in the offering plate when it is passed.

There is a lot of information of the upcoming events inside this booklet.

### **EASTER MEMORIAL GARDEN**

Order your Easter Memorial Garden Lily today. Only 6 plants are available for purchase. Lilies are \$10 each. Order forms are in the narthex.

### **HOLY WEEK PRAYER VIGIL BEGINS AFTER GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE –**

Many half-hour time slots are still left offering you private time in the sanctuary for prayer and reflection. Devotional materials will be provided. Sign up in the narthex at the Prayer Vigil cross to reserve your time slot. Note: There is no Saturday service April 16 to accommodate the Prayer Vigil – we encourage you to participate.



### **EASTER BREAKFAST – PLEASE RSVP!**

Easter Breakfast will be at 8am, between the two Easter services - 7am Sunrise and 9:30am Festival. An RSVP isn't necessary, however, to help us prepare for the breakfast, please RSVP to Louie Mielke or Dianna Wittwer.

## **FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE**

You will need to have a Facebook account to be able to access our page. Go to “First Lutheran Church Kirkland IL”.

We encourage you to “like” and “follow” this page to get notifications and announcement. There is also a link on our website ([www.kirklandflc.org](http://www.kirklandflc.org)). Thank you, Pastor Tom and Jo Boehmer who will be the administrators of the Facebook page.



We have the materials! We are looking for a member or two to lead the Vacation Bible School. We are hoping to have VBS scheduled for the first week in June. Please let Pastor Tom or Dianna know that you are interested.



## **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION CAKE RECEPTION**

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> to join us after service, for a cake reception. Help us thank the many volunteers that work so hard throughout the year. There are many opportunities to volunteer.

Sunday 4/10: Join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee after the service! Newsletter items due.

Tuesday 4/11: Food Pantry set-up, 9:30-11am; dist. 12-2pm.

Thursday 4/14: Maundy Thursday Communion Service, 7pm.

No Confirmation Class.

Friday 4/15: Good Friday Service, 7pm. Prayer Vigil will begin after the service and will conclude on Saturday at 3pm.

Saturday 4/16: NO Worship Service.

Sunday 4/17: Easter Sunrise Service, 7am; Breakfast, 8am;  
Easter Festival Communion Service, 9:30am.

### **PARISH CONCERNS**

Please keep in your daily prayers all people in need, including those mentioned here:

- Lenny Peterson is experiencing back pain from a ruptured disc. He will have surgery soon.
- Justin Mielke to have clear answers to all the tests he is having recently.
- Pray for pregnant women and the babies they are carrying, especially Abby (Pahnke) Bohn, Jamie Wittwer, Laura Block and Rachel Ash.
- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound: Betty Paulsen, Ina Koehler, Nancy Bakanas, George Vodden and many others.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams.
- Our church and its activities, and all Christian churches.
- Situations in Ukraine and Myanmar and all effected by this.
- All elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear and receive God's guidance and protection.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- All NALC churches that are searching for a Pastor.
- The NALC, NALS, the Great Rivers Mission District, all Christian churches, and our partners in SC and PA.