

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH -
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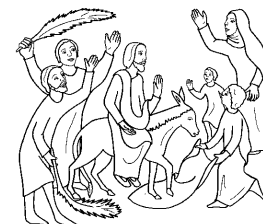
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**Palm Sunday
5:30 PM - April 13, 2019
8:00 & 10:30 AM – April 14, 2019**



THOSE WHO SERVE US

Each Member of St. John's	A Minister
Rev. Ted Gall	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp	Worship Leader
Mrs. Sandy Esker	Preschool Director
Mrs. Dana Keller (5:30 PM & 8 AM)	Organist
Mr. Jamie Lotz (10:30 AM)	Organist
Mr. Jim Schroeder	5:30PM Elder on Duty
A. J. Radloff	5:30PM Acolyte
Mr. Dave Wall	8AM Elder on Duty
Andrew Lotz	8AM Acolyte
Mr. Chris Niebrugge	10:30AM Elder on Duty
Aiden Hanks	10:30AM Acolyte
Mr. Jeff Stremming	Elder on Duty for April 15 – 20, 2019
Missionaries from Pakistan	Younis Darshan and Raja Shaleem
Missionaries from India	Ajay Paul & Sonne
Sister Congregation	in Blidene, Latvia
Adopted Chatelain School	Haiti
Mrs. Julie Scott	(343-3047) Prayer Chain Coordinator

WELCOME CENTER Greeters are present at the Welcome Center in the Atrium adjacent to our sanctuary before and after the service to answer any questions you may have, provide directions to restrooms, classrooms, etc. If you are a first time guest, we also have a gift for you. If you live in our community or surrounding area and you do not have a church home, we welcome your

consideration. We offer true fellowship with a living Savior and membership in His Church.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER Kindly fill out a registration card (welcome side) located in the pew rack. Our guests are also asked to complete the address and phone number portion. Please pass your card to the center aisle to be gathered during the offering.

HOLY COMMUNION – When the members of St. John’s Lutheran Church, (LCMS) celebrate the Lord’s Supper, we confess the Real Presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Bread and Wine, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. (1 Cor 10:16 & 1 Cor 11:23-26) We believe that Christ’s Body and Blood are present “in, with and under” the elements of the Holy Supper. (*Luther’s Small Catechism*) Members should register their intent to commune on the pew card. If you are visiting with us and you desire to join with us in communion fellowship in agreement with these beliefs, please speak to one of the Pastors or the elder on duty before the service.

ALTAR FLOWERS have been placed to the glory of God by the 2019 Confirmation Class in honor of their Rite of Confirmation.

CELL PHONES Please turn your cell phones off before the service begins.

+PREPARATION+

PRESERVICE MUSIC
RINGING OF THE BELLS

[Congregation to stand for the Processional Hymn.]

PROCESSIONAL HYMN..... "All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name”..... [LSB 549]

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

People: Hosanna! Save us, we pray, O Lord!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto

You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

People: **Amen.**

+ WORD +

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross,

People: **Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience, and be made partakers of His resurrection;**

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN..... "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"..... [LSB 422]

**On my heart imprint Your image, Blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures Never may Your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation!**

**On my mind, O Suff'ring Servant, Burn Your great humility,
That no other goal or treasure I may turn aside to see.
Then may I my grateful knee Bow before Your sov'reignty,
With the hosts above and all things Praise You in eternity!**

OLD TESTAMENT **Deuteronomy 32:36-39**
(The Lord will vindicate His people.)

³⁶ 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.

³⁷ Then he will say, 'Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge,

³⁸ 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!

³⁹ "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.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE..... **Philippians 2:5-11**
("He became obedient to death.")

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL.....Matthew 21:8-9
(The Triumphal Entry)

⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Glory to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN "All Glory, Laud, And Honor" [LSB 442]

SERMON....."Have The Mind Of Christ".....Philippians 2:5
Rev. Gary Fortkamp

OFFERING "Create In Me"[LSB 956]

+ + + THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION + + +

HYMN..... On This My Confirmation Day
[Tune: LSB 707 – Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways]

- 1. On this my confirmation day, I make my pledge to You
To love and honor and obey Your Word, the Bible true.**
- 2. I trust the everlasting God Who made and rules all things.
He said the Word and it was good, And all creation sings.**
- 3. God's Son, my Savior, came to earth To live and die for me.
He took my sins and in His death, Thro' faith I now am free.**
- 4. In faith the Spirit came to me To guide me in God's Word.
He fills my life with joy and peace To glorify my Lord.**
- 5. Come to me, Jesus, every day; Oh, let Your light shine through
So that in heaven others may Sing praises, Lord, to You.**

WORDS ADDRESSED TO THE PARENTS & SPONSORS

WORDS ADDRESSED TO THE CONFIRMANDS

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: “All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age,” You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord’s bidding. Jesus said, “Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

Pastor: Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

Confirmands: Yes, I do.

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil?

Confirmands: Yes, I renounce him.

Pastor: Do you renounce all his works?

Confirmands: Yes, I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce all his ways?

Confirmands: Yes I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

Confirmands & Congregation:

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

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

Confirmands & Congregation:

Yes, 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the

Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Confirmands & Congregation:

Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Pastor: Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

Confirmands: I do.

Pastor: Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

Confirmands: I do.

Pastor: Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

Pastor: Do you intend to live according to the Word of God and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

Pastor: Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

Confirmands: I do, by the grace of God.

Pastor: We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

NOTE: The Confirmand and his/her parents will come forward. After receiving the blessing, each Confirmand will be given a stole which serves as a reminder of the “yoke of responsibility” that they are taking on as young adult Christians. Baptismal sponsors and witnesses are invited to stand in the pew as their godchild is being confirmed.

Each Confirmand selected his/her own confirmation “memory verse”. They and their parents have made banners to display the thought of the verses. The banner of each Confirmand will be held up and focused upon as each is confirmed.

The catechumens kneel to receive the confirmation blessing. The pastor places his hands on the head of each catechumen and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead while saying:

Pastor: Name, the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

Confirmand: Amen.

THE BLESSING OF THE YOUTH CONFIRMANDS

01. Kaiden Kohnert..... Acts 16:31
Birthdate: March 10, 2005..... Baptism Date: April 17, 2005
Parents: Randy & Amy Kohnert

02. Ella Niebrugge..... Psalms 46:5
Birthdate: July 26, 2005..... Baptism Date: September 3, 2005
Parents: Jason & Kim Niebrugge

WELCOME INTO COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS *(p. 208 in hymnal)*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

By His triumphant entry into Jerusalem He reached His goal of His triumphant death that, by the offering of His own body and blood on the cross, all who believe in Him may share His triumph over sin and death.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

People: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: 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

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI..... (p. 210 in hymnal)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *“My Song Is Love Unknown” [LSB 430]*
“The Royal Banners Forward Go” [LSB 455]
“Cross Of Jesus, Cross Of Sorrow” [LSB 428]

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE..... *“Lord, Bid Your Servant Go In Peace” [LSB 937]*

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, for the gift of forgiveness won by Your Son’s offering on the cross and for the strengthening of our souls and bodies by His body and blood. Go with us now and keep us steadfast in Your Word through the blessed days of this great and Holy Week and, beyond that, to our eternal life with Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

People sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

CLOSING HYMN..... “O Jesus, I Have Promised”
[Tune: LSB 660 –“Stand Up! – Stand Up for Jesus”]

1. O Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, My Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway If Thou wilt be my guide.
2. O let me feel Thee near me; The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, The tempting sounds I hear:
My foes are ever near me, Around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin.
3. O Jesus, Thou hast promised To all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory, There shall Thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end;
Oh give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend. Amen.

GREETING OF PEACE

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with the Pastor after the service.

