



St. Peter's Lutheran Church & School

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March 28, 2026 – 5:00pm
March 29, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

Rev. Danny Eggold, Senior Pastor
Rev. Adam McDowell, Associate Pastor
Rev. Nathan Widener, Associate Pastor & Director of Community of Care
Rev. James Sharp, Missionary to Puerto Rico
Tim Degen, Director of Music & Organist
Chris Brune, Principal
Barb Christian, Preschool Director

PALM SUNDAY

March 28, 2026 – 5:00pm

March 29, 2026 – 8:00am & 10:30am

PRELUDE

(5:00)

“Palms and Hosannas”

Charles Yocum

(8:00 & 10:30)

“Entrada Festiva”

Flor Peeters

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION and BLESSING OF THE PALMS

(8:00 & 10:30 – Please rise and face the processional cross in the back of the sanctuary.)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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

C Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

P Rejoice with all your heart, people of Zion!

C Shout in triumph, people of Jerusalem!

P See, your King is coming to you.

C He is righteous and victorious.

P He is humble and rides on a donkey,

C On a colt, a young pack animal.

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

C Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

P Let us pray: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in His path. We

ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail Him as our Lord and King and follow Him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN **“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”** **#442**

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem-er, King,



To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
- 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,



Refrain

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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

C Hosanna in the highest.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P Before God, who so loved the world as to send a Savior, let us confess our sin with a contrite heart.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

P Almighty God,
C We confess that we are a broken people who put ourselves before others. Too often, we have not shared bread with the hungry, given the homeless a home, clothed the naked, and worked for justice among all peoples. We cry from the depths of our sin, O Lord, even as we put our trust in Your word. Heal us by your grace, and take from us all that would separate us from Your love. Amen.

P With the Lord there is mercy and full redemption. We are refreshed and renewed in the living water of Christ. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for You and for His sake forgives You all Your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive You all Your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

KYRIE

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1 Lord, _____ have mer - cy. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.
2 Christ, _____ have mer - cy. Christ, _____ have mer - cy.
3 Lord, _____ have mer - cy. Lord, _____ have mer - cy.



Lord, _____ have mer - - - - cy.
Christ, _____ have mer - - - - cy.
Lord, _____ have mer - - - - cy.

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray together:

C 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. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. ⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

Psalm 118:19-29

P Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

C This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.

P I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

C The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

P This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

C **This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P Save us, we pray, O Lord!
O Lord, we pray, give us success!

C **Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

P The Lord is God,
and he has made his light to shine upon us.

C **Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the altar!**

P You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

C **Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
C **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM (8:00 ~ 10:30)

“Hosanna in the Highest”...David W. Music

Adult Choir

Bob & Kathy Hart, Bobbi Shadle, Percussion

Hosanna in the highest!

Daughter of Zion, rejoice and see, your King comes to you.

Shout now, O daughter of Jerusalem, your King comes to you.

Hosanna in the highest!

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

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest!

HOLY GOSPEL READING

John 12:12-19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹²The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. ¹³They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the king of Israel!” ¹⁴Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: ¹⁵“Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.” ¹⁶At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him. ¹⁷Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. ¹⁸Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

And 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.

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. Amen.

(10:30 – No “Kids of the Kingdom” children’s church today.)

HYMN OF THE DAY **“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”** **#441**

(8:00 & 10:30 – Stanzas 2 & 4 will be sung by the choir.)

SERMON

“The IN Crowd”

Text: John 12:12-19 – Pastor Nathan Widener

**RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP and
GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS**

HYMN DURING THE OFFERING

“No Tramp of Soldier’s Marching Feet”

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P** Merciful God,
C You bless us with gifts that sustain our lives; You transform us with the priceless gift of grace. Receive us and these signs of your blessings, and may our fasting, prayer, and works of love be an offering of thanksgiving for all that You have done for us in Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Heavenly Father, we pray for the church, that it not grow weary in its witness and teaching of the gospel but courageously follow the way of the cross and proclaim the truth of Christ to all. Lord, in Your mercy:
C Hear our prayer.
- P** Lord God, we pray for the world, that where persecution and injustice hold sway, Jesus' rule of love would conquer and bring peace to all. Lord, in Your mercy:
C Hear our prayer.
- P** O God, we pray for Christians who are degraded or persecuted because of their faith in Christ, that they may be supported by God's abundant grace. Lord, in Your mercy:
C Hear our prayer.
- P** Merciful Father, we pray for those who are hungry or in danger, and all who suffer illness or disease (*especially...*), that God would cover them with protection and fill them with wholeness. Lord, in Your mercy:
C Hear our prayer.
- P** Heavenly Father, we pray for Janet Bahr as she deliberates the call to serve as St. Peter's Assistant Principal. Give her Your Spirit of wisdom and discernment. Lord, in Your mercy:
C Hear our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

P Heavenly Father, we give thanks for all the saints who live in the glory of Christ and whose joy is complete (*especially...*), that we may at last enter with them into the light of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Merciful and gracious God, hear our prayers, restore us to the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.**

BENEDICTION and DISMISSAL

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.**

P Goodness and mercy shall follow You all the days of Your life.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

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POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

arr. Timothy Albrecht