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**Palm Sunday — March 24, 2013**

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel’s mission is to witness to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community and the world through discipleship and service.*



LBW–Lutheran Book of Worship      WOV–With One Voice

\* Please stand if you are able

**PRELUDE**..... *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

**Ringing of the Bell**

**Sunday School children sing:** *Ho, Ho, Ho, Hosanna*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***Beneath the Cross....We Gather***

A Holy God, we come to worship

**C in the gathering shadows of Jesus’ suffering and death.**

A We come to worship and to remember

**C in the shadow of the cross, our abiding place.**

A We come to worship and to witness

**C the wonder of God’s glorious love, his love in action. Amen.**

***Beneath the Cross....We Listen***

Mary’s Story: John 19:25b-27

***Beneath the Cross....We Sing***

Soon shall my eyes behold you, with rapture face to face,  
One half has not been told me, of all your pow’r and grace:  
Your beauty, Lord, and glory, the wonders of your love,  
Will be the endless story of all your saints above.

**\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us safely through the sea, who gives us water from the rock, who leads us into the land of milk and honey.

**C Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,

**C have mercy on us.**

P For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For jealousies that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ, and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

**C Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us the power to proclaim the mighty acts of the one who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**\* HYMN** ..... *All Glory, Laud and Honor.* ..... **LBW # 108**

**\* GREETING**

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

**C And also with you.**

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

(8:00) *Be the Centre* -Morgan Ashbaugh & Jessica Yunker

(10:30) *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* -Living Spirit

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4–9a**

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he awakens —  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out  
the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to

shame;  
<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 31:9–16**

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;\*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

<sup>10</sup>**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;\*  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

<sup>11</sup>I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of my acquaintance;\*  
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

<sup>12</sup>**I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;\***

**I am as useless as a broken pot.**

<sup>13</sup>For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;\*  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup>**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.\***

**I have said, "You are my God.**

<sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand;\*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

<sup>16</sup>**Make your face to shine up- on your servant,\*  
and in your loving-kindness save me."**

**SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5–11**

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in  
Christ Jesus,

<sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of  
God,

did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,

<sup>7</sup>but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

<sup>8</sup>he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of  
death —

even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name

that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the  
earth,

<sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40



<sup>28</sup>After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

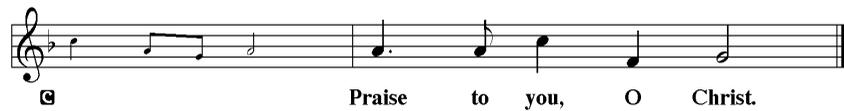
<sup>29</sup>When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup>They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set

Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

<sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power 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 heaven!"

<sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."



CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN..... *Prepare the Royal Highway.* ..... LW # 26

SERMON

\* HYMN..... *When Peace Like a River*..... LBW # 346

\* APOSTLES' CREED

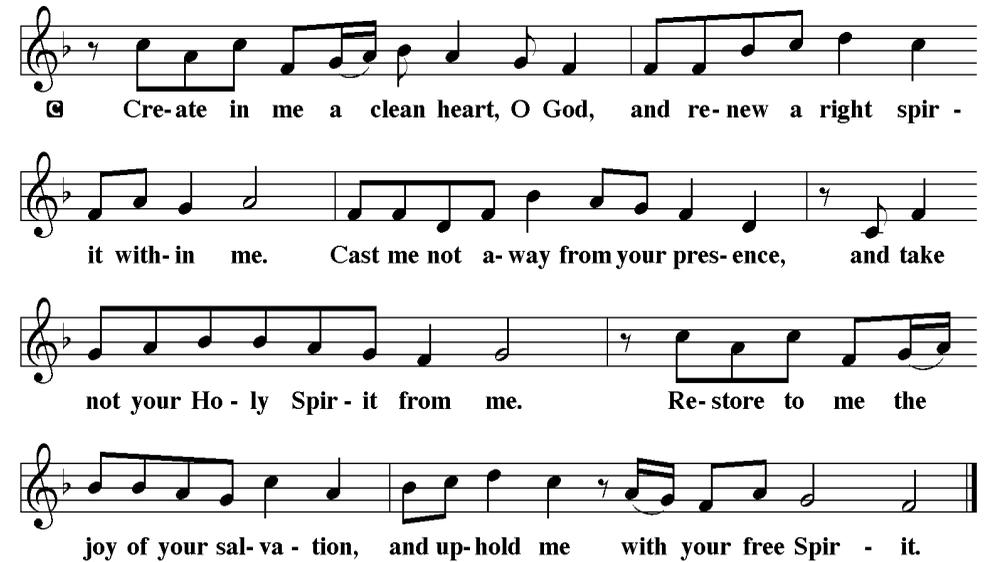
**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS** (8:00) *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* -Living Spirit  
(10:30) *Palm Sunday Processional* -with trumpets

OFFERTORY (*please remain seated*)



**THE PRAYERS**      *(please remained seated)*

A Returning to the Lord with all our heart, let us pray for the whole people of God, the earth, and all who cry out for healing.

*Brief silence.*

A Form in the church the mind of Christ, that we may empty ourselves for the sake of the world you love. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Open the ears of civil authorities, that they may hear the voices of those facing insult and degradation, and those who cry out for bread and shelter. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Rescue the earth from abuse and pollution, and bring an end to famine, disease, terror, and bloodshed. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Bless the Jewish people as they celebrate Passover, and grant that the religions of the world may grow in mutual understanding and respect. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Teach us to walk the way of the cross, that we may be a community of forgiveness and mercy. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A We remember all the martyrs and saints who at death were commended into your merciful hands. Bring us, with them, to the joy of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

*Other petitions.*

P Draw near to all who feel abandoned, or who face alienation, death, or illness this holy week (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Hear us according to your steadfast love, O God, and in your great compassion bring us to resurrection and rebirth in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

**\* LORD’S PRAYER**      

**Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, forever. Amen.**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* HYMN.** . . . . . *Who Is He?* (tune: Joyful, Joyful). . . . . printed

Who is He who comes in triumph? Who is he who comes to die,  
Comes in peace and comes in power, Hidden One now lifted high?  
Jesus, Jesus, Lord, Messiah, Mighty master of the grave!  
See Him ride, the King of Glory! God Himself has come to save!

See Him there in humble splendor. Hear them shouting all around.  
Joy explodes in wild procession. Praise is now the victor’s crown.  
“Glory, glory in the highest!” Like the angels hear them sing,  
Dancing round the Long-awaited- Once their hope, and now their King.

Rise and join the glad procession! Hear them passing by again-  
All the ransomed, all His children, Marching to Jerusalem!  
Look ahead – the gates of splendor! Hear the everlasting hymn!  
Open wide Your hearts in worship! Let the King of Glory in!

**POSTLUDE**      *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

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**Altar flowers**

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Herb & Ramona Koppenhofer in honor of their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Coming Alive**

Coming Alive, the county-wide exercise challenge of the United Way, will be starting mid-April. We would like to encourage everyone to get out and exercise. Registration forms are available from Judy Hoffman or the church office and must be turned in by APRIL 3!

### Youth Art/Good Friday

The youth of Emanuel will be doing a special art presentation during the worship service on Good Friday, March 29. Their finished work will be displayed in the overflow area throughout the month of April. The canvasses will be silently auctioned with 100% of the proceeds going to “Together We Can Make a Difference.” There will be an auction sheet near each item on which to put your name, phone number and bid amount.

### Reminder – Altar Guild

Don’t forget ... we will be participating in this week’s Maundy Thursday service in the stripping of the altar.

### Summer Camp

For anyone registering for Camp this summer, there are scholarships funds available to help with the cost of your attending. The amount will depend on how many apply. Application forms are on the bulletin board across from the office and can be turned in to Nanette Schwab, Julie Kohout or the church office.

### Women of the Church

Emanuel is hosting the Maumee Valley Conference of Women Spring Assembly on Saturday, April 13, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Our theme is “Together We Can...” with Pastor Castello delivering devotions and communion and Kelli Burkhardt of “Together We Can Make a Difference” being the featured speaker. Worship music will be provided by Angela Tonjes and the Emanubells. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Registration is \$6.00 and due by April 8. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board across from the secretary’s office. All women of our church are members of WELCA and are encouraged to attend.

### Seder Meal

On Wednesday, March 27, all catechism classes will meet at 5:30 to participate in the Seder Meal. Parents and family members are invited and encouraged to join us.

### Blood Drive

The Lutheran Home at Napoleon will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday, April 5, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, please call 419-592-1688 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: LUTHERANHOMENAPOLEON. This event is sponsored by the Lutheran Home at Napoleon and The American Red Cross.

### Easter Egg Hunt – Rain or Shine!!!

There will be a community Easter Egg Hunt given by Sharon United Methodist Church, Corner of Co Rd P and St Rt 109, on Saturday, March 30 at 10 a.m. Come out and enjoy the fun! All children are welcome. Bring a basket. Coffee, Punch, and Cookies will be served afterwards.

### This Week

Today	7:00 p.m.	7 <sup>th</sup> grade catechism
Tuesday	5-7:30 p.m.	Head Start meetings here
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Sewing
	5:30 p.m.	SEDER meal
		NO Emanubells, Choir, or Living Spirit
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion
Friday	7:30 p.m.	Good Friday Worship

### Save your bulletins

If you come to the early service and take your Sunday bulletin home just to throw it away, please consider leaving it here at the church in case extra bulletins are needed at the late service. (If, however, you take your bulletin home to refer to during the week, please continue doing so!)

### Piano Tour

St. Olaf College Piano Tour will perform at Community of Christ Lutheran Church, 6517 Finzel Road, Whitehouse, on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. The concert is a selection of outstanding students performing works by North and South American composers, including Gershwin, Barber and Villa Lobos. A free will offering will be collected.

### Caring Corner — Lutheran Home “craft department”

Word find puzzle books	Emery boards
Crossword puzzles	Nail polish remover
Card stock paper (seasonal colors such as green yellow, etc.)	Nail polish (muted shades)
Glue Sticks	Pocket size kleenex
	Note pads (2/3 inch spiral bound)

### **Serving Today**

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Assistant - 8:00 Andrea Rohrs 10:30 Ron Meyers

Sound Board - 8:00 Eric & Nick Rohrs 10:30 Kevin Good

Acolytes - 8:00 Charlee Glick & Keegan Schroeder

10:30 Alex Andrews & Seth Tonjes

Ushers - 8:00 Lee Weirauch, Dave Schwab, Leo Clausen, Kevin Gerken

10:30 Alan Storch, Norm Bostelman, Terry Walther, Tom Jenny

Altar Guild - Lauren Helberg & Andrea Hoffman

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or [cjcast@yahoo.com](mailto:cjcast@yahoo.com)

### **Statistics**

3/13 attendance 125 Offerings \$648.83

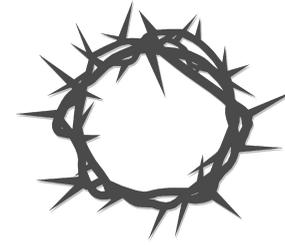
3/17 attendance 103+90 (193) Offerings \$4,104.86 (includes \$240 Bldg Fd; \$100 mem to Bldg Fd-Edward Barrett Sr.; \$5 Wrld Hng) Simply Giving (3/11-3/17) \$230 General; \$70 Bldg Fd

### **Reader needed**

A reader is needed for the 10:30 worship service for the month of May. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or talk to Jack Robbins or Maxine Eickhoff if you would be willing to volunteer.

### **Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month**

March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. HOPE Services invites you to view their display at the Napoleon/Henry County chamber of Commerce located at 611 North Perry Street. This year's theme is "Look Beyond" and encourages people to understand that when people with disabilities are welcomed into local neighborhoods, workplaces, house of worship, and schools, everyone wins! Please take the time to get to know someone with a disability and what he or she has to offer. Thank you for your support of the individuals they serve in our community. For more information, call HOPE Services at 419-599-2892 or 419-278-3050.



## Holy Week Schedule

March 28, Maundy Thursday

Worship with Holy Communion – 7:30 p.m.

March 29, Good Friday

Worship – 7:30 p.m.

## Easter Schedule

March 31, EASTER

Sunrise Service with Holy Communion – 7:00 a.m.

Easter breakfast – after worship

Sunday School – 9:15 a.m.

Festival Worship with Holy Communion – 10:30 a.m.

