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Palm Sunday — March 20, 2016

LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice

*** Please stand as you are able**

PRELUDE *Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)* -Living Spirit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us out of captivity into freedom, out of the wilderness into the promised land, out of death into life.

C Amen.

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

C we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.

P By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.

C Amen

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

*** GREETING**

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

C And also with you.

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

(10:30) **Special Music:** *Sovereign Lord* -Living Spirit

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The 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 wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

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

⁶I 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.

PSALM -sung by Living Spirit

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in
Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,

⁷The 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;

⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.

⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of
death—

even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name
that is above every name,

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

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

A The Word of the Lord
C **Thanks be to God.**

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (Living Spirit sings once; congregation sings once)

* **GOSPEL: Mark 11:1-10**

When they were approaching Jerusalem,
at Bethphage and Bethany, near the
Mount of Olives, he sent two of his
disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the
village ahead of you, and immediately as
you enter it, you will find tied there a colt
that has never been ridden; untie it and
bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are
you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord
needs it and will send it back here
immediately.’” ⁴They went away and
found a colt tied near a door, outside in
the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some
of the bystanders said to them, “What are
you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told
them what Jesus had said; and they

allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they
brought the colt to Jesus and threw their
cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many
people spread their cloaks on the road,
and others spread leafy branches that they
had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who
went ahead and those who followed were
shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one
who comes in the name of the Lord!
¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our
ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest
heaven!”

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

(Please turn to page 9 for the remainder of the 10:30 service.)

(8:00 service only)

Special Music: *Song of Dedication* -Karri Ashbaugh

BAPTISM of Nora Kate Hoffman

PRESENTATION

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Parents and Sponsors: I present **Nora Kate Hoffman** to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P In Christian love you have presented this child for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring her to the services of God’s house, and teach her the Lord’s Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As she grows in years, you should place in her hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of her Baptism and in communion with the Church, she may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth.

By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by

John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that she who is here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of her who is cleansed by this water and bring her forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen

RENUNCIATION AND PROFESSION

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C 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

BAPTISM

P **Nora Kate Hoffman**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon **Nora**: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C Amen

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

P **Nora**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

PRAYER FOR PARENTS

P O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon **Ryan** and **Andrea**. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with their children the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

WELCOME

A Through Baptism God has made this new sister a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

C We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.

HYMN WOV # 770 *Borning Cry*

SERMON

* **HYMN LBW # 123** *Ah, Holy Jesus*

TITHES AND OFFERINGS *Sovereign Lord -Living Spirit*

OFFERTORY (please remain seated)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(please remain seated)*

A Hearing the call to return to the Lord, let us join the whole people of God in prayer for all who cry out in pain and in hope.

A brief silence.

A Be with all who wave palm branches and walk the road to the cross. For the mission of the gospel where your church is forgotten, for disciples wrestling with betrayal, for all who seek the Lord, let us pray.

C Have mercy, O God.

A Renew the waters of the earth and restore us to right relationship with all creation. For villages without access to clean water, for cities with an abundance, for flood lands and drought lands, let us pray.

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A Sustain the weary. For all who mourn, for all who yearn to be with you in paradise, for funeral home staff, for hospital chaplains and grief counselors, let us pray.

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Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Comfort the afflicted. For those imprisoned, for those waiting on death row, for all overwhelmed by sorrow, and for all who live with disease, chronic pain, and anxiety in this world (*especially*), let us pray.

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P To you, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your boundless mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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*** 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**

*** HYMN** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* -Living Spirit

POSTLUDE *Ride On, King Jesus*

(10:30 service continues.....)

HYMN *Palm Sunday Hymn*

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 our hearts in worship, let the King of Glory in!

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.

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS *I Will Call Upon the Lord* -Bell Choir

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Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Mike & Bree Schroeder in honor of their first wedding anniversary.

Baptism

Being baptized this morning is Nora Kate Hoffman, daughter of Ryan & Andrea. Nora's sponsors are Tim and Angela Stutzman.

Caring Corner for March — Food Pantry at Parkside Church in Deshler

canned soups – especially Chicken & Noodle, Chicken & Rice, Chunky soups

cereal – especially “kid-friendly” ones

canned fruit – preferably in juice, not syrup; “kid-friendly”, such as peaches and pears or applesauce

peanut butter

Seder Meal – Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

The Seder Meal is served in commemoration of the traditional Jewish meal and of the Last Supper that Christ shared with his disciples. The Soul Food crew will prepare all the elements of the meal, and the confirmands will help with serving. Please plan to attend this significant and meaningful meal.

Newsletter deadline is noon tomorrow!

Ladies' Tea

Emanuel's 2nd Annual Ladies' Tea will be held on Saturday, April 16, 3:00 p.m. See or call Kathy Bostelman (419-599-3416) or Joan Collier (419-592-2621) for tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 each. This event is open to ALL Emanuel's ladies and guests, young and old! Proceeds will benefit Emanuel's Good Samaritan Fund.

Volunteers needed!!!

We need readers for all of April and a sound board operator for April 10. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or talk to Peggy Snyder or Holly Mohring.

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning

Readers - 8:00 Bonnie Palamara 10:30 Ron Meyers

Sound Board - 8:00 Alexandria Biederstedt 10:30 Ryan Kohout

Acolytes - 8:00 Tyson Reynolds & Jessica Yunker

10:30 Carter Burken & Elijah Wolf

Ushers - 8:00 Dave Schwab, Bryce Reynolds, Casey Callaway, Shelly Storch

10:30 Ken Lange, Kurt Rohrs, Alan Storch, Jeff Mires

Altar Guild - Joleen Brubaker & Lauren Helberg

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

Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Lutheran Home of Mercy and Filling Homes ask you to join them during this month and take time to get to know someone with a disability. You'll see that everyone has a story to tell!

Worship Schedule for Holy Week and Easter

March 24, Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Stripping of the Altar/Holy Communion

March 25, Good Friday 7:00 p.m. Worship

March 27, EASTER 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion

8:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Coming Alive

It's that time of year again! The exercise challenge, Coming Alive, will be held this year from April 25 to May 22. Entry forms will be available from Judy Hoffman or the church office soon ... watch your bulletins.

This Week

Today 3:00 p.m. 4-H

Monday noon Newsletter deadline

6:45 p.m. Executive Board

7:00 p.m. Church Council

7:30 p.m. Naomi Circle

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Sewing

3:15 p.m. After School Club

5:30 p.m. Seder Meal

5:30 p.m. Emanubells

Thursday 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Friday 7:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion

8:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast

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Henry County Fur Ball

The Henry County Animal Humane Society's 2nd Annual Fur Ball will be held Friday, April 1, 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the Armory Arts and Events Center. Tickets are \$15 and include the option of a Baked Chicken Breast or Lasagna meal. Along with dinner, there will be DJ entertainment, silent auction, live dessert auction, 50/50 raffle, and much more. Meals will be available to-go. Proceeds will benefit the Henry County Humane Society's Capital Improvement Fund. For tickets, call the shelter at 419-592-3777.

Statistics

3/09 Lent (91) Offerings \$713.00

3/13 60+93 (153) communed 88 Offerings \$3,796.02 (\$270 Bldg Fd; \$5 Wrld Hngr

3/07-3/13 Simply Giving \$130 Gen; \$45 Bldg Fd; \$25 Wrld Hngr; \$25 Good Sam Fd

Second Annual

Spring Fling

Emanuel's
Ladies' Tea



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3:00 p.m.

Emanuel Lutheran Church
Corner of Scott & Clinton

Tickets - \$5.00
Available from
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Joan Collier (419-575-3281)

Open to ALL Emanuel's Ladies and Guests

BENEFIT - EMANUEL'S GOOD SAMARITAN FUND

