



ROYAL REDEEMER

AN LCMS CONGREGATION

April 13, 2025

9am Worship

That's a Great
QUESTION

Why are you doing this?

(Pastor Ben)

What are your decisions anchored to?

Palm Sunday - April 13, 2025
9:00am Order of Worship
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PALM SUNDAY 2025
PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL READING

INVOCATION AND GOSPEL READING (Mark 11:1-10)

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th Chapter

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"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

10 "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

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P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Blessed is the King of Israel.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Blessed is the Almighty Father, Creator of heaven and earth.

C: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Blessed is the Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ, who brings us God's peace and forgiveness!

C: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Blessed is the Holy Spirit, whose presence gives us power and life!

C: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

A: We worship and praise our Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

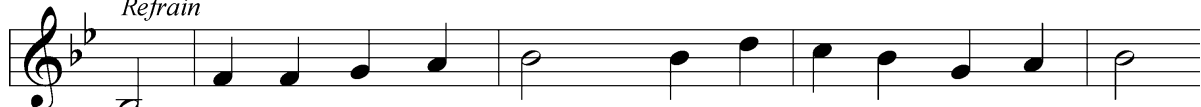
P: Let us pray.

A: Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet your dearly beloved Son when He came into his Holy City, grant that we may ever hail him as our King

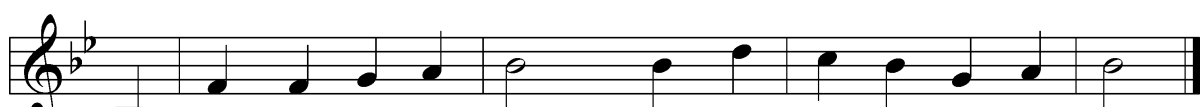
and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet him with trusting and steadfast hearts, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor


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.

Invocation & Confession

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

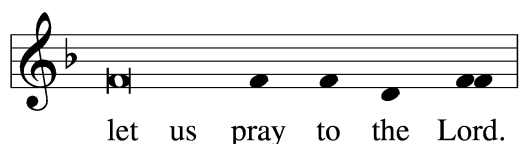
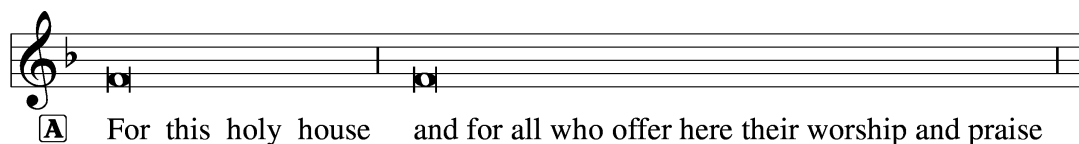
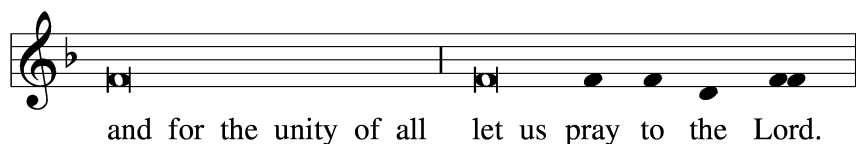
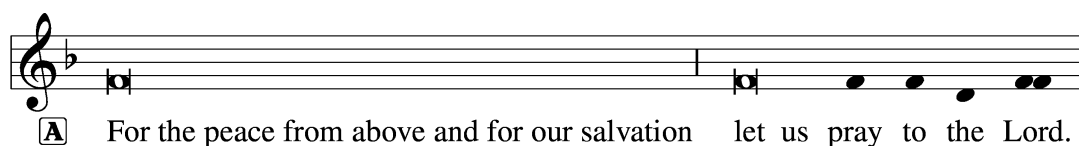
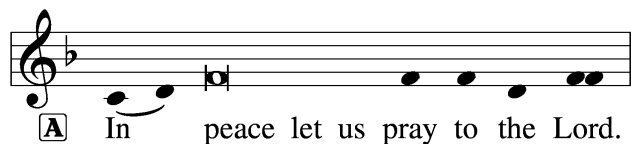
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

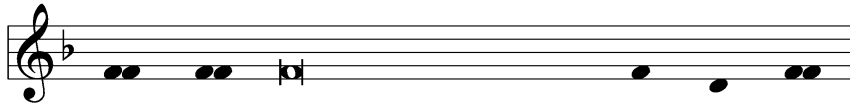
Passing of the Peace

Kyrie *LSB 152*





C Lord, have mer - cy.

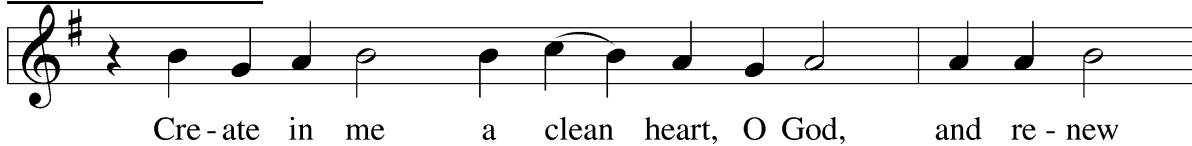


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

956 Create in Me



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new



a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way



from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;



and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

(Please Sit)

First Lesson

Psalm 118:19-29

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous;
 I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.
²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD
 through which the righteous may enter.
²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
 you have become my salvation.
²² The stone the builders rejected
 has become the cornerstone;
²³ the LORD has done this,
 and it is marvelous in our eyes.
²⁴ The LORD has done it this very day;
 let us rejoice today and be glad.
²⁵ LORD, save us!
 LORD, grant us success!
²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.
 From the house of the LORD we bless you.
²⁷ The LORD is God,
 and he has made his light shine on us.
 With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession
 up to the horns of the altar.
²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you;
 you are my God, and I will exalt you.
²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
 his love endures forever.

Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:
⁶ Who, being in very nature God,
 did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;
⁷ rather, he made himself nothing
 by taking the very nature of a servant,
 being made in human likeness.
⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
 he humbled himself
 by becoming obedient to death—
 even death on a cross!
⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
 and gave him the name that is above every name,
¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

(Please Stand)

Alleluia and Verse (Lent)

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and
mer-ci-ful, slow to an-ger, and a-bound-ing in
stead-fast love, and a-bound-ing in stead-fast love.

Holy Gospel

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C Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

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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.

(Please Sit)

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

Message That's a Great Question: Why are you doing this?

Offering

Thank you for your faithful support of ministry at Royal Redeemer. As a reminder, you may submit your offerings 1) in the collection plate, 2) by mail to the church, 7127 Dutchland Pkwy., Liberty Township, Ohio, 3) by arranging an automatic deposit through your bank account (see the Give page under the Serve section of our website), or 4) via the Church Center. You can find a link on the Worship Live page of our website.

(Please Stand)

Announcements

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, Your Son spoke the truth before His enemies even as they sought to trap Him in His words and deliver Him up to death. Rescue Your people from fear, and grant them courage to confess the truth, assuring them of deliverance in time of trouble. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, You gave Your Son to be rejected by sinners, that we may be welcomed into Your kingdom. Preserve Your Church in this life won by Christ, crucified and risen. Give faithfulness to the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Sacraments, and let Your people receive these gifts with penitence and faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, salvation belongs to You. Your blessing be on Your people. Endow our Confirmands today with every good gift including parents and a Church who continually teach them Your ways, that they may live in the confidence of Your grace and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, show Your compassion to all who suffer in our midst. Remind them continually of Your benefits, forgive all their iniquities, heal all their diseases and crown them with steadfast love. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, help us to count all things as loss except Jesus and Him crucified. Draw us to Him through Word and Sacrament, that rejoicing in the righteousness that comes through faith in Jesus, we may forget what lies behind us and press on toward the goal. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, in Baptism You have shared Christ's suffering, death and resurrection with us, that we might be raised from the dead. Preserve us from taking His sacrifice for granted. Encourage us to forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead, until we attain the resurrection from the dead; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

☐ 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.

Solo 'Ride on to Die' By Michael Card – Carrie Ware

Benediction

- 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.

441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
 ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad - and
 fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
 pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.