

# Mount Cross Lutheran Church

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## **To the Parents of Our Young Children –**

*We are so glad you are here. We know how challenging it can be to get a family out the door to come to church. We hope you can relax and receive the gifts of God that are here for you today. Please don't worry about squirming children or crying babies. All are welcome here. If you feel you must leave the service with your child, please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."*

*We want them to know they are at home in this house of worship.*

## **To All Worshippers –**

*The presence of those with special needs is a gift to us and the Church. Please welcome all children and give their parents a smile of encouragement. Please greet those with special needs and their families, helping them to know they are valued and accepted in our community.*

**Thank you for being the welcoming Body of Christ!**

**Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday**  
**April 10, 2022, 9:30 a.m.**

*The congregation gathers outside*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Pastor Julie Morris**

### **ACCLAMATION**

*The presiding minister begins (repeated one or more times):*

**P** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** **Hosanna in the highest.**



### **PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL - Luke 19:28-40**

*An assisting minister or the presiding minister reads the processional gospel.*

**P** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

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

<sup>28</sup>After he had said this, [Jesus] 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.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **BLESSING OF PALMS**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept.*

We praise you, O God,  
for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.  
Today he entered the holy city in triumph  
and was proclaimed messiah and king  
by those who spread garments and branches along his way.  
Bless these branches and those who carry them.  
Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,  
so that, joined to his death and resurrection,  
we enter into life with you;  
through the same Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**



## **PROCESSION**

*The assisting minister addresses the assembly.*

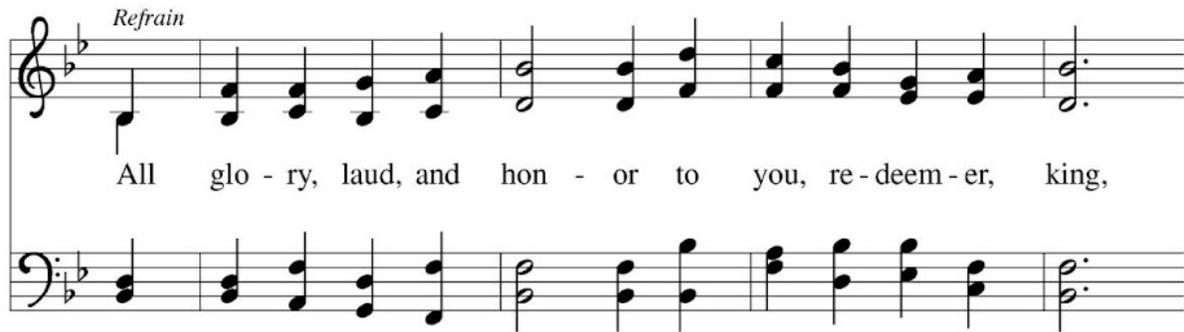
**P** Let us go forth in peace,

**C** **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

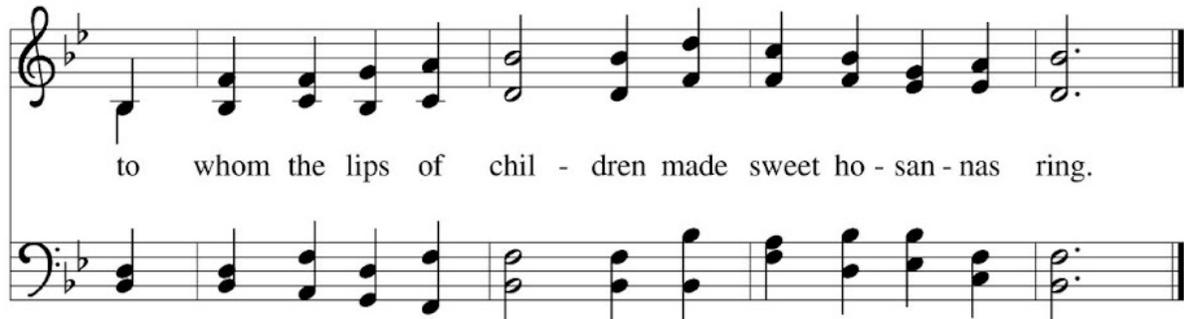
*The assembly follows the cross bearer into the church, singing the opening song.*

# GATHERING SONG - "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" - ELW 344

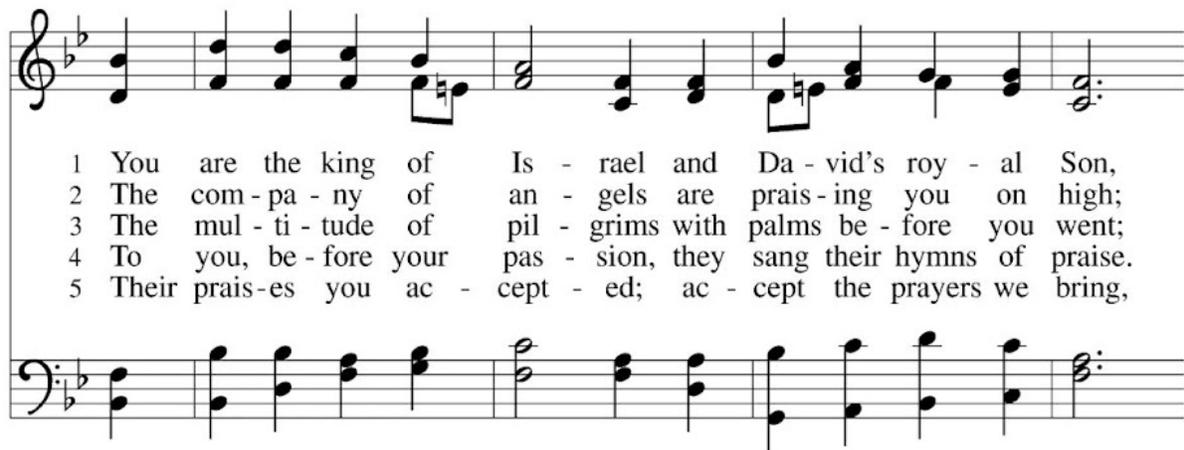
*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

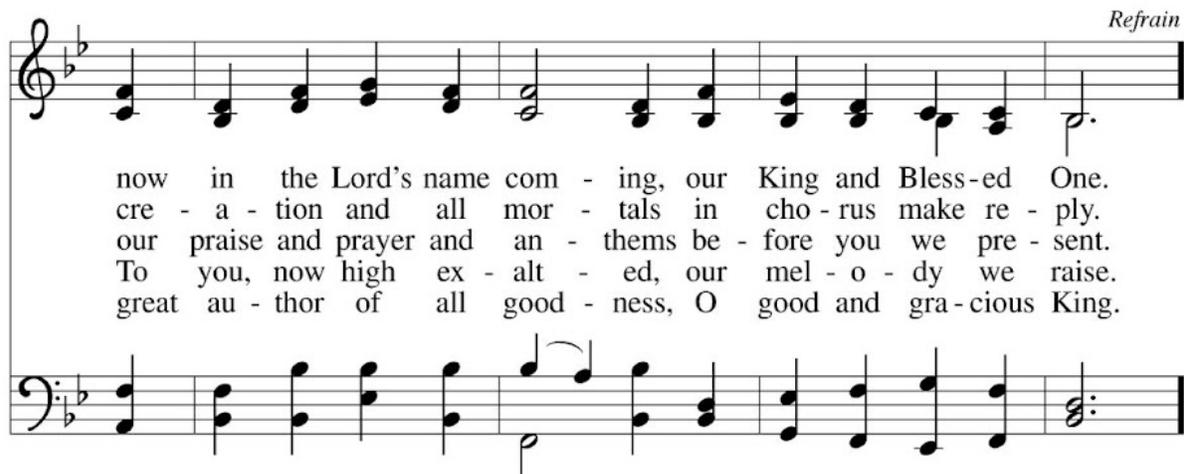


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are 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 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.  
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals 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.  
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray.

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*



### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a**

*This text, the third of the four Servant Songs in Isaiah, speaks of the servant's obedience amid persecution. Though the servant has been variously understood as the prophet himself or a remnant of faithful Israel, Christians have often recognized the figure of Christ in these poems.*

<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 wakens—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>9a</sup>It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

# PSALM 31:9-16 - "Into Your Hands, I Commend My Spirit" (Browning)

**Refrain**

In - to your hands, I com - mend my spir - it.

You will re - deem me, O God. To Verses Final God.

**Verse Tone** To Refrain

## Verses

- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in | trouble;  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my | belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with | sighing;  
my strength fails me because of my affliction, and my bones are | con- sumed. **REFRAIN**
- 11 I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my ac- | quaintances;  
when they see me in the street they a- | void me.
- 12 Like the dead I am forgotten, out of | mind;  
I am as useless as a bro- | ken pot. **REFRAIN**
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all a- | round;  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my | life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O | LORD.  
I have said, "You are | my God. **REFRAIN**"
- 15 My times are in your | hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.
- 16 Let your face shine upon your | servant;  
save me in your stead- | fast love." **REFRAIN**

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11**

*Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.*

<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.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **PASSION GOSPEL: Luke 22:14-23:56** *(The assembly remains seated.)*

*The passion is proclaimed by three readers, with a sung refrain by the congregation interspersed with the text.*

**R1** The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**R3** <sup>14</sup>When the hour came, [Jesus] took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup>He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup>for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” <sup>17</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, “Take this and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup>for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” <sup>19</sup>Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>20</sup>And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. <sup>21</sup>But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. <sup>22</sup>For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!” <sup>23</sup>Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

**R1** <sup>24</sup>A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. <sup>25</sup>But he said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup>But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. <sup>27</sup>For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

<sup>28</sup>“You are those who have stood by me in my trials; <sup>29</sup>and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, <sup>30</sup>so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

<sup>31</sup>“Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, <sup>32</sup>but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” <sup>33</sup>And he said to him, “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!” <sup>34</sup>Jesus said, “I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.”

**R2** <sup>35</sup>He said to them, “When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?” They said, “No, not a thing.” <sup>36</sup>He said to them, “But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. <sup>37</sup>For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, ‘And he was counted among the lawless’; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.” <sup>38</sup>They said, “Lord, look, here are two swords.” He replied, “It is enough.”

The congregation sings the following refrain twice:

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Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community

Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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**R3** <sup>39</sup>He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. <sup>40</sup>When he reached the place, he said to them, “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.” <sup>41</sup>Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed, <sup>42</sup>“Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.” <sup>43</sup>Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. <sup>44</sup>In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. <sup>45</sup>When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

**R1** <sup>47</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; <sup>48</sup>but Jesus said to him, “Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?” <sup>49</sup>When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, “Lord, should we strike with the sword?” <sup>50</sup>Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup>But Jesus said, “No more of this!” And he touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup>Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, “Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? <sup>53</sup>When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!”

The congregation sings the following refrain twice:

The image shows two staves of music for a refrain. Each staff consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 7/8. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom." The first staff is followed by a double bar line, and the second staff is also followed by a double bar line.

**R2** <sup>54</sup>Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. <sup>55</sup>When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. <sup>56</sup>Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." <sup>57</sup>But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." <sup>58</sup>A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" <sup>59</sup>Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." <sup>60</sup>But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. <sup>61</sup>The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." <sup>62</sup>And he went out and wept bitterly.

<sup>63</sup>Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; <sup>64</sup>they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?" <sup>65</sup>They kept heaping many other insults on him.

**R3** <sup>66</sup>When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. <sup>67</sup>They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; <sup>68</sup>and if I question you, you will not answer. <sup>69</sup>But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." <sup>70</sup>All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." <sup>71</sup>Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"

**R2** <sup>23:1</sup>Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. <sup>2</sup>They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." <sup>3</sup>Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." <sup>4</sup>Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." <sup>5</sup>But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place." <sup>6</sup>When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time.

**R3** <sup>8</sup>When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. <sup>9</sup>He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

**R2** <sup>13</sup>Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, <sup>14</sup>and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. <sup>15</sup>Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup>I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

<sup>18</sup>Then they all shouted out together, “Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!” <sup>19</sup>(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) <sup>20</sup>Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; <sup>21</sup>but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” <sup>22</sup>A third time he said to them, “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.” <sup>23</sup>But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup>So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup>He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

The congregation sings the following refrain twice:

The image shows two staves of musical notation for a refrain. The first staff is in treble clef and the second is in bass clef. Both are in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and homophonic, consisting of chords and single notes. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff also ends with a double bar line.

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**R1** <sup>26</sup>As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup>A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. <sup>28</sup>But Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ <sup>30</sup>Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup>For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

**R2** <sup>32</sup>Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup>and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

<sup>44</sup>It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup>while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup>Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last.

<sup>47</sup>When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man was innocent.” <sup>48</sup>And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. <sup>49</sup>But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

**R3** <sup>50</sup>Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, <sup>51</sup>had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. <sup>52</sup>This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>53</sup>Then he took it down,

wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid.

<sup>54</sup>It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. <sup>55</sup>The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. <sup>56</sup>Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

**R1** Here ends the Passion of our Lord, according to Saint Luke.  
*The assembly observes a few moments of silence.*

## SERMON - Pastor Julie Morris

*As able, the assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.*

### SONG OF THE DAY - "My Song Is Love Unknown - ELW 343, Verses 1-3

1. My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to  
2. He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -  
3. Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prais - es

me, love to the love - less shown that they might  
sing; the world that was his own would not its  
re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas

love - ly be. Oh, who am I that  
Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my  
to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is

for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?  
friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!  
all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624-1683, alt.

Music: LOVE UNKNOWN (6 6 6 6 4 4 8), John Ireland, 1879-1962.

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## APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.



## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

We pray for the church, called to follow Jesus in the way of the cross. Make us unflinching servants of the gospel. We pray for Christians around the world, preparing this week to journey with Jesus to the cross - lead us all from death to life. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in positions of authority called to lead with integrity and compassion. Supply them with courage and vulnerability and deliver them from fear that impedes justice. Bring peace to our world, especially Ukraine, and to our hearts. Bring comfort to the people of Sacramento and all victims of gun violence. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer, waiting expectantly for mercy and consolation. Accompany those who feel abandoned or betrayed, defend those who are wrongly accused, and embrace those who are incarcerated or detained. Heal those who are ill or in need, especially those on our prayer list ...

## PRAYER CONCERNS from MOUNT CROSS

**We pray for the family of Bob Anderson, Tom Andino** (friend of Carol Browning), **Ed and Tonna Brodie** (friends of Becky Riley), **Jackson Burke, Mike Caceres** (nephew of Becky Gilbertson), **Lorraine & Mike Carpenter, Dwayla Carr** (cousin of Gayle Johnson), **Steve Doshier** (brother-in-law of Paul Crockett), **Scott Fajnor, Doria and Vladimir Fanning** (sister and brother-in-law of Barbara Burke), **the family of Linda Frantz, Charles Hilley, Jo Holler, Nancy Jaeger, Jerry Kochans, Paul Marigonda** (friend of Becky Riley), **Rick Mahlke** (son of friend of Barbara Burke), **Lucille Miley, Karen Nelson, Lynn Nelson** (mother of Julie Fernandez), **Michael and Mercedes Olivera** (brother of Courtney Burke), **Maria Riley** (daughter-in-law of Becky Riley), **Jim Prosser, Byron Selbrede** (brother of Keith Selbrede), **Marie Swartz** (sister of Jo Holler), **Chris Truchan** (friend of the Burke family), **Chris Valenzano** (grandson of Herb & Jo Holler, on active military deployment), **Mike Waldron** (brother of Denise Sobolik), **Veronica White** (Fun with Faith parent), **Jessica Willis** (sister-in-law of Carol Broderick), **the family of Marilyn Woody** (sister of Sonja Demeter).

*Unless otherwise specified, prayer requests remain in the bulletin for four weeks.  
If you would like to add or remove someone to or from the prayer list, please  
e-mail the church office at [office@mountcross.com](mailto:office@mountcross.com) or call 805.482.3847.*

A Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

God who listens, we now offer you our own prayers, either silently or aloud  
(*pause*) ... Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake  
of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

## PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**



**OFFERING SONG - "Lamb of God" (Paris) - ELW 336 - CCLI Song # 16787** (We do not have permission to reprint the music for this song, however, you can find it in the hymnal.)

Verse 1

Your only Son no sin to hide  
But You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod  
And to become the Lamb of God

Chorus

Oh Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God  
I love the holy Lamb of God  
Oh wash me in your precious blood  
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

Verse 2

Your gift of love we crucified  
We laughed and scorned Him as He died  
The humble King we named a fraud  
And sacrificed the Lamb of God

Verse 3

I was so lost I should have died  
But You have brought me to Your side  
To be led by Your staff and rod  
And to be called a lamb of God

**OFFERING PRAYER**

- A Extravagant God,  
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.  
Now we gather at your feast  
where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray.
- C **Amen.**

*As able, the assembly stands for the Great Thanksgiving.*

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**  
P Lift up your hearts.  
C **We lift them to the Lord.**  
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
 that we should at all times and in all places  
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
 through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 whose suffering and death gave salvation to all.  
 You gather your people around the tree of the cross,  
 transforming death into life.  
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy God, mighty and merciful,  
by your promise  
you bound yourself to earth and all its creatures,  
and you bound yourself to your people of old,  
blessing them and calling them to be a blessing to others,  
By your promise  
you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved,  
grafting us into your living Vine,  
and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember his life laid down and lifted up  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**C Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

P Send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless us to be a blessing.  
Make us a sign of your faithfulness.  
Send us to tend and cherish the earth  
and to serve the world with mercy and love.

With all the saints in light,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus,  
in your Spirit, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,  
let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.**

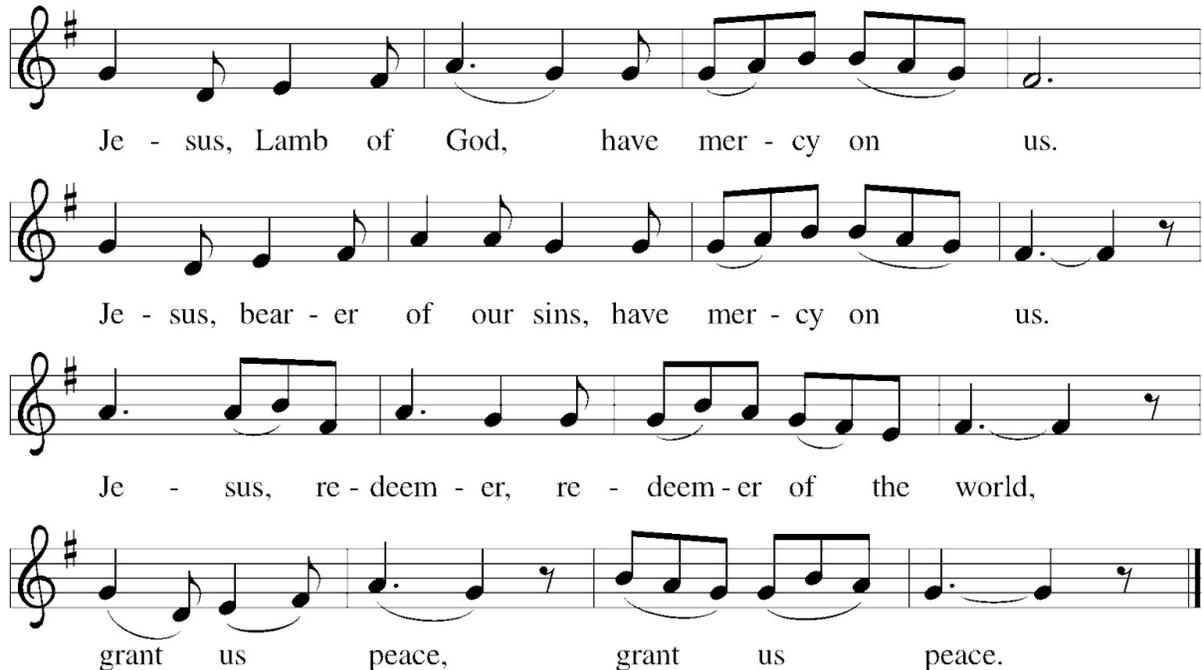
### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD/INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Here is food and drink for the journey.  
Take and be filled.

*The assembly may be seated.*



## LAMB OF GOD - "Jesus, Lamb of God" - ELW 199



Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797–1828; adapt. Richard Proulx, b. 1937  
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**All are welcome at the Lord's Table.** Holy Communion will be distributed in the center aisle. Ushers will dismiss people by rows, beginning from the back of the church. Please come forward to receive the bread, and then walk to the side to receive wine or grape juice. Place your empty cup in the trays provided. Communion ministers will bring Holy Communion to those with mobility challenges (or those worshipping outside who don't wish to come inside).

### **PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for our Livestream viewers)**

A spiritual communion is a personal devotion that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. As Martin Luther once wrote: "I can enjoy the sacrament ... every day if only I keep my eyes on the promise, that is, on the words and promise of Christ, which feeds and strengthens my faith."

As we distribute Holy Communion to the congregation here, we invite those on the livestream to offer the Prayer of Spiritual Communion displayed on your screen:

**I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in the bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart.**

*(We pause for silent prayer).*

**Fill us all with your love and grace, and strengthen us to serve the world in your name. Amen.<sup>1</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> Adapted by Pastor Julie from a prayer written by the Anglican Diocese of Niagara.

**COMMUNION SONGS - "Above All" (LeBlanc/Baloche) - CCLI Song # 2672885**

(We do not have permission to reprint the music for this song.)

*Verse 1*

*Above all powers above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began*

*Verse 2*

*Above all kingdoms above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure  
What You're worth*

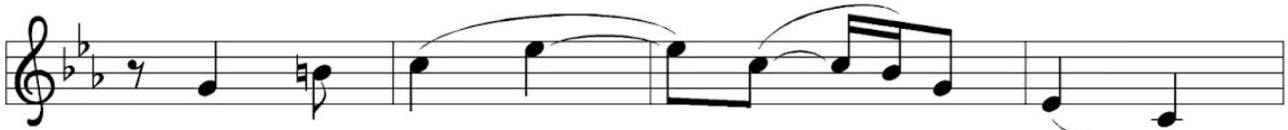
*Chorus*

*Crucified laid behind the stone  
You lived to die rejected and alone  
Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all*

*(Repeat Chorus)*



“Calvary” - ELW 354



*Refrain* Cal - va - ry, Cal - va - ry,  
 1 Ev - 'ry time I think a-bout Je - sus,  
 2 Sin - ner, do you love . . . my Je - sus?  
 3 Don't you hear him say, "It is fin - ished!"  
 4 Je - sus fur - nished my . . . . sal - va - tion,



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sure - ly he died on Cal - va - ry.  
 sure - ly he died on Cal - va - ry. *Refrain*  
 Sure - ly he died on Cal - va - ry. *Refrain*  
 Sure - ly he died on Cal - va - ry. *Refrain*  
 sure - ly he died on Cal - va - ry. *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: CALVARY, African American spiritual

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- A Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace,  
 you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
 Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.
- C **Amen.**

As able, the assembly stands for the Blessing.

## BLESSING

P May Christ, who calls you to take up your cross,  
give you strength to bear your own and one another's burdens.  
And the blessing of God our Creator, + Redeemer  
and Giver of life be with you now and always.

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG - "Were You There" (arr. Work)



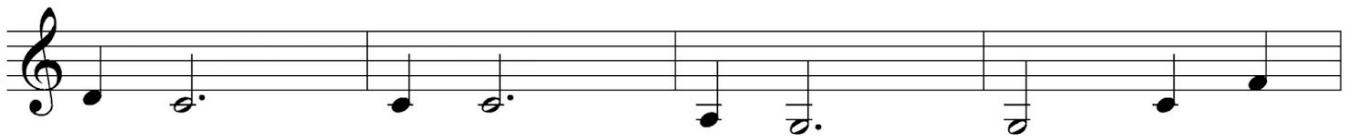
1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you  
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you  
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
there when they nailed him to the tree?  
there when they laid him in the tomb?



Oh, oh, oh, some-times it caus - es me to  
Oh, oh, oh, some-times it caus - es me to  
Oh, oh, oh, some-times it caus - es me to



trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you  
trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you  
trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?  
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Spiritual, arranged by Norton Hall Band,  
a worship band at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, KY.

## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE - Guy Ervin III

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
by Cy and Gayle Johnson to celebrate their son Matthew's birthday,  
and by Marjorie Viets in honor of her four children.*

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If you haven't already done so today, let us know you're watching us online - fill out our connection card: <https://bit.ly/MCLCConnect>.

Join us for **Fellowship in the Pavilion** after worship each Sunday!

Come to the Table: Mount Cross is offering **Communion reception in the sanctuary or in your car** from **11:00-11:30 a.m.**

Please consider your vulnerabilities and risk factors before choosing to participate.

## The Week at a Glance

### TODAY, April 10

High School Youth Group, 6:00 p.m.  
The High School Youth Group meets at 6:00 p.m.  
Questions, contact Joe Zimmerly  
(joe@mountcross.com)

### Monday, April 11

Monday Meditation, 3:00 p.m.  
The Meditation group meets on Zoom at 3:00 p.m.  
Questions, contact LaJean Wenzel.

CDC closed all week for Spring Break.

### Tuesday, April 12

Women's Bible Study - Two-Week Break  
The Women's Bible Study returns on April 26.

### Wednesday, April 13

NO PROGRAMS

### Thursday, April 14

Quilters, 10:00 a.m.  
The Quilters meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Life Center (changed from 2:00 p.m.)

Maundy Thursday Worship, 12:00 Noon at St. Columba's  
All are invited to attend Maundy Thursday Worship at St. Columba's Episcopal (1251 Las Posas Rd., Camarillo) at Noon.

Care Team, 1:00 p.m.  
The Care Team meets at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Life Center.

Maundy Thursday Worship, 7:00 p.m. at Mount Cross  
All are invited to our Maundy Thursday Worship with St. Columba's, here at 7:00 p.m. (also livestreamed).

Night Watch, 9:00 p.m.-9:00 a.m., at St. Columba's  
Sign up for a half-hour slot to pray and reflect on Jesus' Agony in the Garden.  
<https://bit.ly/NightWatch2022>

### **Friday, April 15**

Good Friday Stations of the Cross, Noon  
at St. Columba's

All are invited to attend a Noon Stations of the  
Cross, outdoors at St. Columba's Episcopal (1251 Las  
Posas Rd., Camarillo).

Good Friday Tenebrae, 7:00 p.m. at  
Mount Cross

All are invited to our Good Friday Tenebrae Worship  
with St. Columba's, here at 7:00 p.m.  
(also livestreamed).

### **Saturday, April 16**

Easter Vigil Worship, 7:00 p.m. at  
St. Columba's

All are invited to attend our Easter Vigil  
Worship at St. Columba's Episcopal (1251 Las  
Posas Rd., Camarillo) at 7:00 p.m.

### **Sunday, April 17**

Easter Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m. at  
Mount Cross

All are invited to our Easter Sunday Worship at  
9:30 a.m., followed by Easter Breakfast.

### **Monday, April 18**

Easter Monday Holiday - Church  
Office Closed

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday Worship**

We always need worship assistants, especially for  
technology. We will train you. Contact Vicky Edell at  
vickyedell5@gmail.com or sign-up online at  
<https://signup.com/Group/7769976983269200115/>.

Thank you for serving at Mount Cross!

### **Children, Youth, and Family Ministry**

Our programs are mainly on Wednesdays. Email Joe  
([joe@mountcross.com](mailto:joe@mountcross.com)) with any questions.

### **Anti-Racism Work of the Week:**

*These links are offered by the Peace & Justice Team in a  
spirit of goodwill to those who are seeking to learn from  
diverse voices and take action towards reconciliation and  
healing. We invite everyone to be a part of these ongoing  
conversations as we learn together.*

We invite you to pledge to participate in the **ELCA Now is  
the Time study (5-part series): An ELCA Declaration to  
People of African Descent**. When: 5 Thursdays from April  
28 – June 2, 9 – 11 am Pacific Time (not meeting on May  
19). Format: Zoom webinar (everyone on camera).

Must register in advance: [bit.ly/NowIsTheTimeELCA](https://bit.ly/NowIsTheTimeELCA)

*See the full announcement below.*

### **Altar Flowers**

To request flowers for our worship:  
<https://bit.ly/AltarFlowers2022>. The cost is  
\$35.00; you can take the arrangement home with  
you after worship, or pick it up at Communion  
following worship. If you aren't here but would  
still like flowers, please let us know; we'll deliver  
the arrangement to another member to enjoy.

### **More Ways to Give**

Thank you, Mount Cross congregation, for all the  
generosity you have shown in these times of trial!

To give to Mount Cross on your cell phone or  
tablet, download Vanco's free GivePlus app from  
the App Store or Google Play, enter zip code  
93010, and choose Mount Cross.

Please email any questions about giving and/or  
statements to Financial Secretary Joan Brundage  
at [jbrundage@mountcross.com](mailto:jbrundage@mountcross.com).

### **Amazon Smile**

If you haven't already done so, choose Mount  
Cross Lutheran Church as your non-profit to  
support on smile.amazon.com so 0.5% of  
purchases will go to Mount Cross. Thank you!

### **St. Columba's Food Pantry**

Each Sunday, we have a bin where you can bring  
non-perishable food for St. Columba's Project  
Hope food pantry. Canned vegetables or  
proteins are always a good choice. They could  
also use boxes of breakfast cereal. **Please do not  
donate food that is expired.**

Thanks for your support.

## Worship Guidelines

Thanks be to God, COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations are declining in our community. Below is the updated COVID-19 guidance from our Mount Cross Re-Opening Committee.

**Effective March 13, 2022:**

- For indoor worship at Mount Cross: As a caring community, **we request** that you **wear a mask if you will be singing in worship**. If you will not be singing, masks are strongly encouraged.
- In **all other indoor settings** at Mount Cross, **masks are strongly encouraged**.
- There may be situations in the life of our community where we will require masks out of concern for vulnerable people.
- When committees, groups, or individuals meet indoors, please defer to the needs of those who are immunocompromised or are at greater risk of serious illness, or those who live with them.

Thank you for the goodwill, patience, cooperation, and love for your neighbor that you have displayed throughout the pandemic.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Julie

## Legacy Giving/Endowment Fund Requests

The Legacy Giving Team is currently soliciting requests for distributions from the Endowment Fund. Requests may be made in the areas of Missions, Education, Children & Young Adult Ministry, Worship & Music, as well as Capital Projects. All applications must include the simple one-page form that is available in the office and on our website. College scholarship applicants should work with Joe on an appropriate essay and materials to submit.

The Legacy Giving Team will consider all requests and submit recommendations to the Church Council for funding. Provide funding requests to the Church Office (office@mountcross.com) **by April 30, 2022**. Please contact Tracy Blois (tracy.allyson@gmail.com, 619.277.2059) or Brian Fisher with any questions.

## Helping Hands Ministry ...

### Additional Coordinator(s) Needed!

Helping Hands is the **Mount Cross service group** that assists by arranging and serving at memorial/funeral receptions held at Mount Cross. Help is currently needed in the role of coordination. We currently are in **need of one or two additional co-coordinators for this ministry to continue**. If you are interested in more information on serving as a co-coordinator for this important ministry, please contact Marilyn Gardner at 805-368-0554 or [momgardner\\_722@msn.com](mailto:momgardner_722@msn.com).

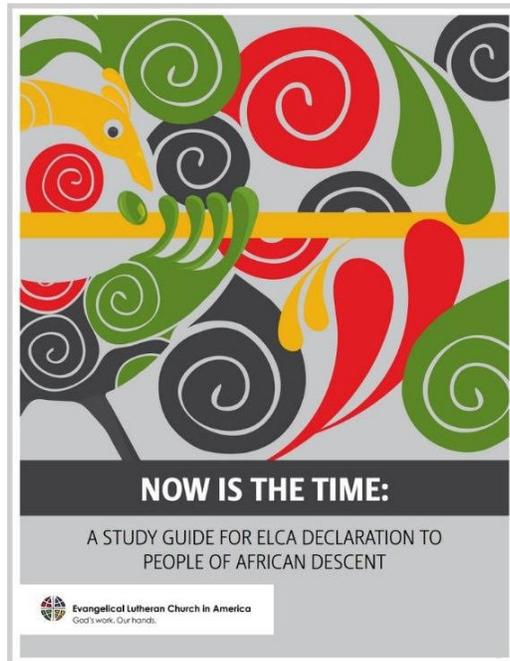


**LUTHERAN  
WORLD RELIEF**

**- Aid to Ukraine Matching Donations**

Thanks to the generosity of Nelsonville Lutheran Church and Peace Lutheran Church in Amherst, WI, all **congregational gifts given through Lutheran World Relief will be doubled** - up to \$258,000! Your love will provide food, shelter and emergency funds for refugees impacted by the Ukraine crisis. You can give directly through Lutheran World Relief at [lwr.org/match](http://lwr.org/match) or by mailing to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061.

Please write "Ukraine Match" in the memo line.



**ELCA Now is the Time study (5-part series):  
An ELCA Declaration to People of African Descent**

5 Thursdays from 9 - 11 am Pacific Time

April 28 - June 2 (not meeting on May 19)

If you want to journey through this study together, please join us.

Now is the time...

...for white members of the ELCA to face our own resistance and fear

...to name uncomfortable truths

...to let go of guilt and embrace responsibility

...to uncover silence and complicity

...to acknowledge the depths of systemic racism and white supremacist culture and thinking

...for repentance, and the time to trust God's liberating grace, which gives us courage to face an uncomfortable past and walk boldly into a new future of racial justice and reconciliation, and of structural change.

We can do this work better in community. Join us.

When: 5 Thursdays from April 28 - June 2, 9 - 11 am Pacific Time (not meeting on May 19)

Format: Zoom webinar (everyone on camera)

Must register in advance: [bit.ly/NowIsTheTimeELCA](https://bit.ly/NowIsTheTimeELCA)

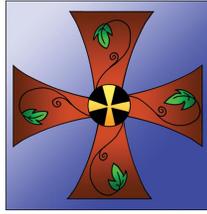
Questions: [Desta@CalLutheran.edu](mailto:Desta@CalLutheran.edu)

Facilitated by:

- Pastor Kacey Hahn, St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Renton, WA

- Desta Goehner, Spiritual Director

Director of Congregational Relations at California Lutheran University



## **Holy Week Schedule**

Holy Week is our annual pilgrimage to the heart of our faith.

In Jesus' death and resurrection, we experience the triumph of goodness over evil and the victory of life over death.  
**Come and be renewed by the saving acts of God.**

### **Maundy Thursday, April 14**

Noon at St. Columba's Episcopal Church for those who need a daytime service.

\*7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship at Mount Cross.

We remember the last supper, hear Christ's commandment to love one another, celebrate the gift of Holy Communion, and strip the altar in preparation for Good Friday.

9:00 p.m.-9:00 a.m. Night Watch at St. Columba's

Sign up for a half-hour slot to pray and reflect on Jesus' Agony in the Garden.

<https://bit.ly/NightWatch2022>

### **Good Friday, April 15**

Noon Stations of the Cross outdoors at St. Columba's Episcopal Church.

\*7:00 p.m. Service of Tenebrae (Latin for "darkness") at Mount Cross.

Candles are gradually extinguished as we read the Passion, interspersed with music to aid our contemplation of the suffering and death of Christ.

There will be an opportunity to reverence the cross.

### **The Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 16**

7:00 p.m. at St. Columba's Episcopal Church.

Meet at the outdoor fire pit for the lighting of the new fire of Easter. We will process into the church to hear the foundational stories of our faith, proclaim the Easter Gospel, and celebrate Holy Communion on this night when Jesus passed over from death into life.

### **Easter Sunday, April 17**

\*9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday worship at Mount Cross

followed by an Easter breakfast for all and an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

**Alleluia, Christ is Risen!**

If you need transportation to any of these services, please contact the church office as soon as possible, 805-482-3847 or [office@mountcross.com](mailto:office@mountcross.com).

*\*denotes the services that will be livestreamed.*

St. Columba's Episcopal Church is located at 1251 Las Posas Road in Camarillo.