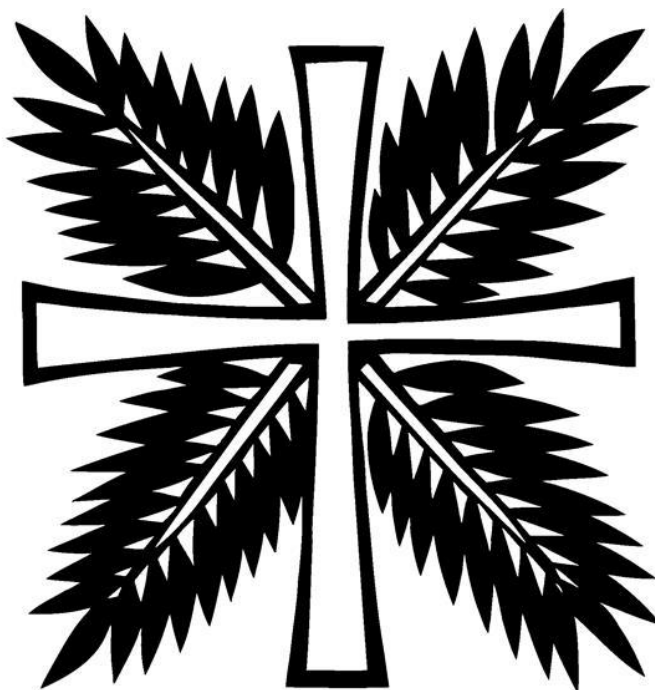


Sunday of the Passion

April 13, 2025



Bethany Lutheran Church
2515 Madison Ave., Burlington, IA
Phone: (319) 752-3621
www.bethanyburlington.org

*Bethany's Mission Statement: Reaching out in Worship, Fellowship, Learning
and Love - we are God's people.*

We are so glad you chose to worship with us this morning. We hope everyone feels welcome as we strive to serve and strengthen each other in faith toward God and in love toward all. Now, as you wait for the service to begin, please relax, enjoy the music, and quiet your heart before God.

Sunday of the Passion

ELW indicates that hymns or liturgy are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship-red hymnal

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

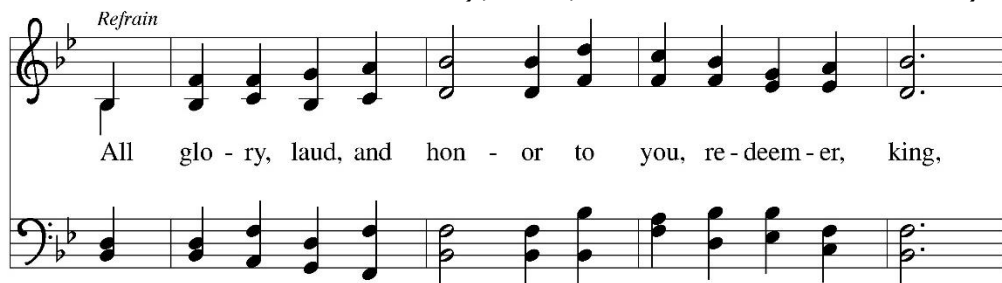
²⁸ After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ 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. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴ They said, “The Lord needs it.” ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ 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, ³⁸ saying,

“Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”

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

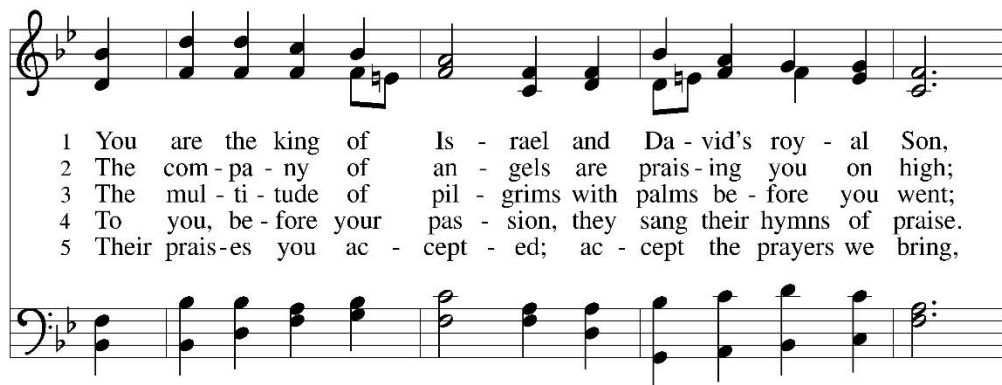
Refrain



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

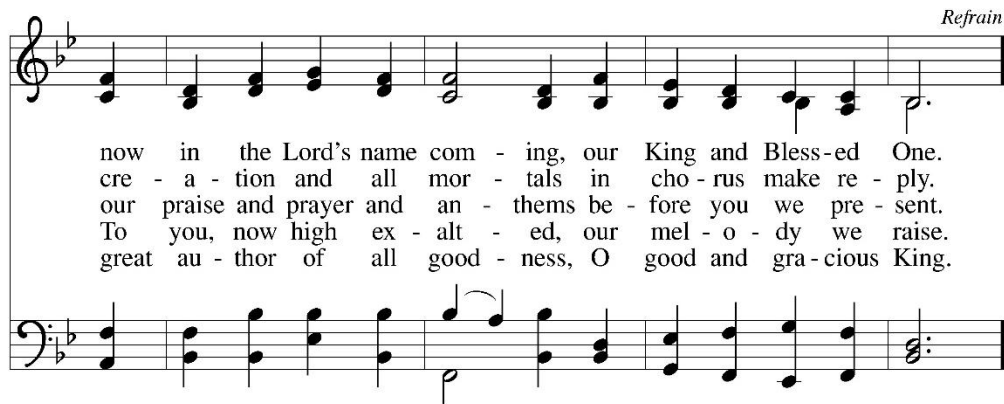


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



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.

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: Everlasting God,

C: **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.**

Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

FIRST READING

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 awakens—
awakens 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.

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.

^{9a}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

Psalm 31:9-16

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

C: **For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

L: I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

C: **Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.**

L: 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.

C: **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.
I have said, "You are my God.**

L: My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

C: **Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love."**

SECOND READING

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,
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,

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

¹¹and 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.**

P: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

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

(Please be seated)

GOSPEL

Luke 22:14-23:56

Narr. 1: When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them,

Jesus: I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

Narr. 1: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,

Jesus: Take this and divide it among yourselves, for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.

Narr. 1: Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

Jesus: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Narr 1: And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying,

Jesus: This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!

Narr. 1: Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this. A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them,

Jesus: The kings of the gentiles lord it over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest and the leader like one who serves. 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.

You are those who have stood by me in my trials, and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, 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.

Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail, and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.

Peter: Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!

Jesus: I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day until you have denied three times that you know me.

Jesus: When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?

Cong: No, not a thing.

Jesus: 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. 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.

Cong: Lord, look, here are two swords.

Jesus: It is enough.

Narr. 2: He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

Jesus: Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

Narr. 2: Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down and prayed,

Jesus: Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me, yet not my will but yours be done.

Narr. 1: Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,

Jesus: Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

Narr. 2: 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, but Jesus said to him,

Jesus: Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?

Narr. 1: When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

Cong: Lord, should we strike with the sword?

Narr. 2: Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

Jesus: No more of this!

Narr. 2: And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

Jesus: Have you come out with swords and clubs as though I were a rebel? 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!

Narr. 1: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a female servant, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,

Narr. 2: This man also was with him.

Narr. 1: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: Woman, I do not know him.

Narr. 2: A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

Cong: You also are one of them.

Peter: I am not!

Narr. 2: Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,

Cong: Surely this man also was with him, for he is a Galilean.

Peter: I do not know what you are talking about!

Narr. 1: At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him,

Jesus: Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.

Narr. 1: And he went out and wept bitterly. Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

Cong: Prophecy! Who is it who struck you?

Narr 2: They kept heaping many other insults on him. 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. They said,

Cong: If you are the Messiah, tell us.

Jesus: If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.

Cong: Are you, then, the Son of God?

Jesus: You say that I am.

Cong: What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!

Narr. 1: Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

N1, N2: We found this man inciting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to Caesar and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.

Narr. 1: Then Pilate asked him,

Pilate: Are you the king of the Jews?

Jesus: You say so.

Narr 1: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Pilate: I find no basis for an accusation against this man.

Narr. 2: But they were insistent and said,

N1, N2: He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.

Narr. 2: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. 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. 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. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by vehemently accusing him. 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. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Narr. 1: Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people and said to them,

Pilate: You brought me this man as one who was inciting 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. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.

Cong: Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!

Narr. 2: This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again, but they kept shouting,

Cong: Crucify, crucify him!

Narr. 2: A third time he said to them,

Pilate: 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.

Narr. 1: But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. 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.

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. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus: Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 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.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?

Narr. 2: Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. 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. Then Jesus said,

Jesus: Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.

Narr. 2: And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

Cong: He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!

Narr. 1: The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying,

Cong: If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!

Narr. 1: There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

Narr. 2: Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

Narr 1: Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.

Jesus: Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.

Narr 2: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed, and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said,

Jesus: Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Narr. 2: Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

Cent: Certainly this man was innocent.

Narr. 1: And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching these things.

Narr. 2: Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph who, though a member of the council, 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. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. 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. It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments.

Narr. 1: On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

P: The Gospel of our Lord

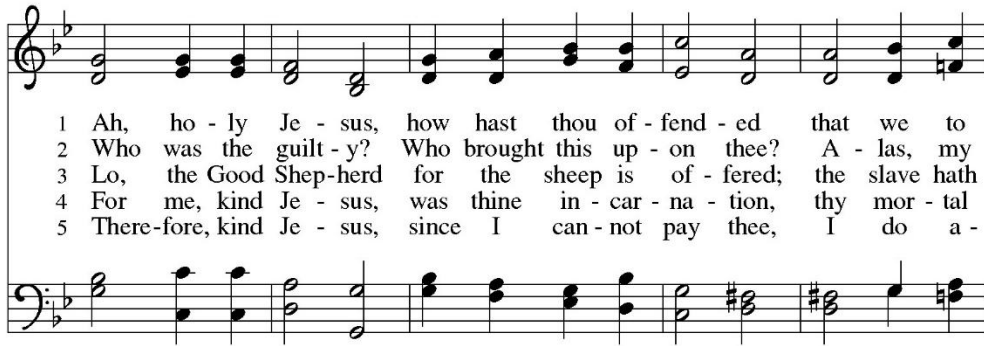
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please stand)

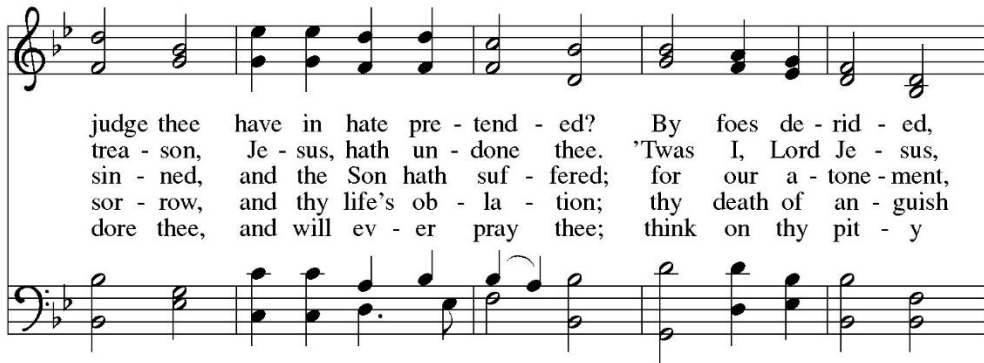
HYMN OF THE DAY

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

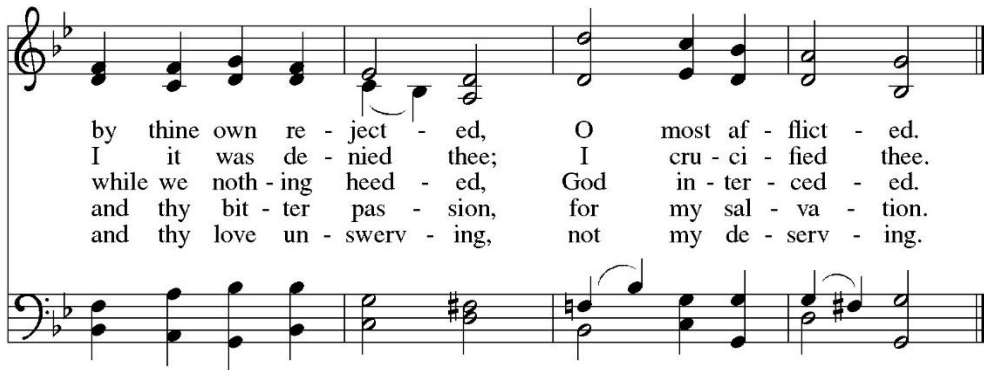
ELW Hymn 349



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that we to
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

We Share in the Holy Meal

(Please Stand)

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

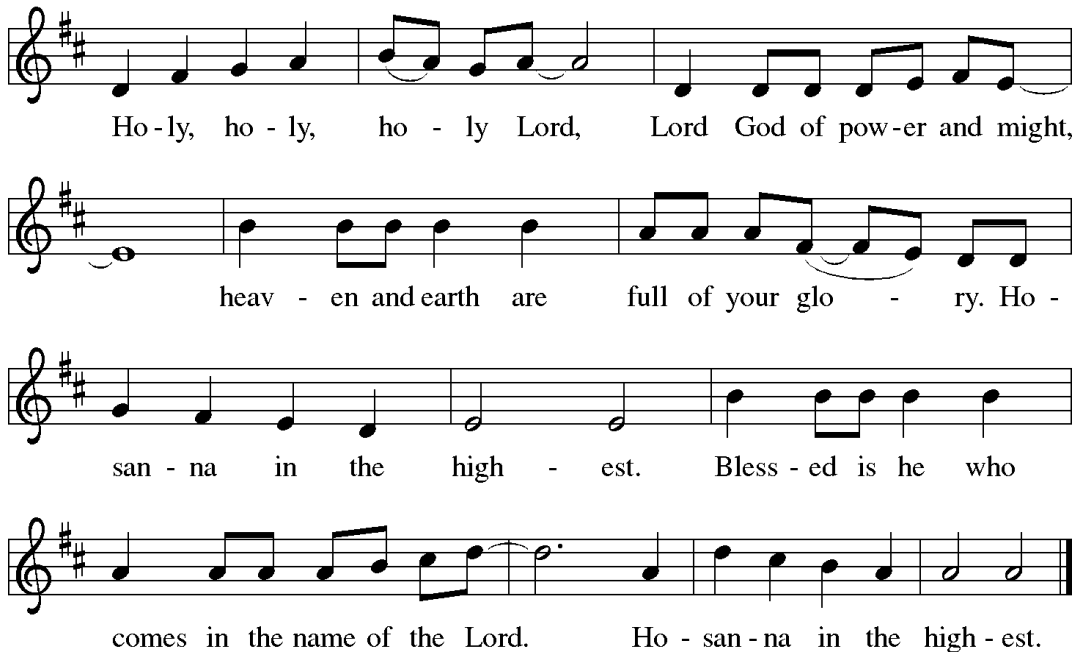
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(please stand)

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

(Please be seated)

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION BY INDIVIDUAL GLASSES

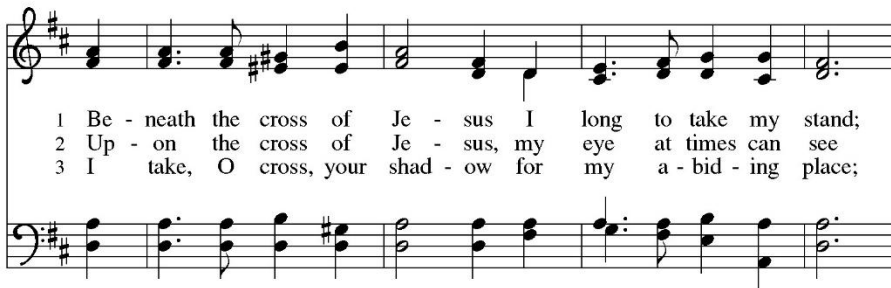
(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

All who believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to commune. Children who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing. You will be given a wafer. The glasses of dark liquid are wine; the middle ring is juice. There is a bowl of water if you would like to remember your baptism.

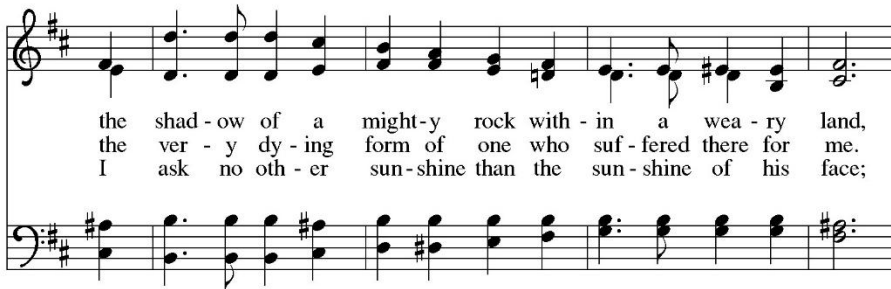
DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ELW Hymn 338




1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



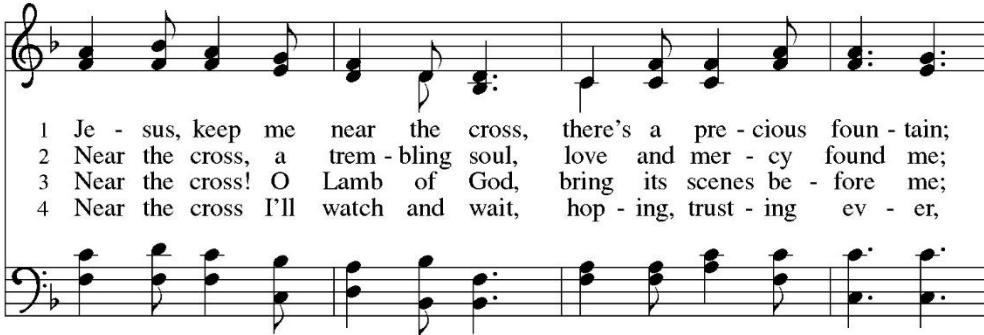
the shad - ow of a might-y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me,
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with-in a wil - der - ness, a rest up-on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

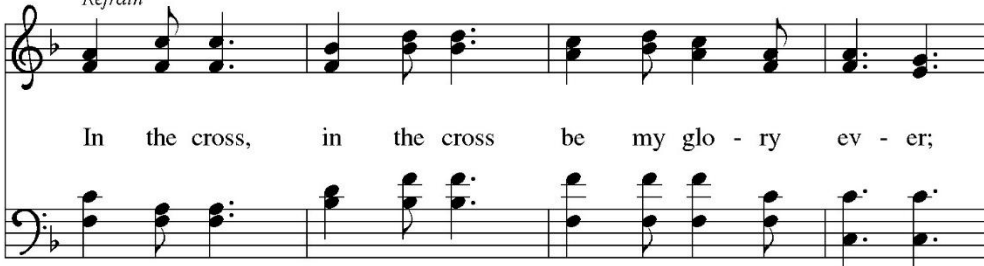


1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
 2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
 help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
 till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

(Please stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Generous Host,
you have shared your feast with us and made us new.
Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,
that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,
in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony
with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

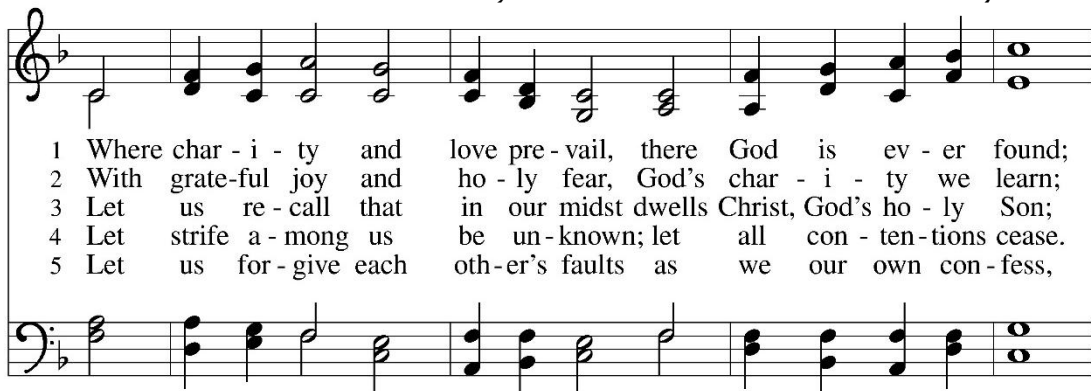
C: Amen.

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may
abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

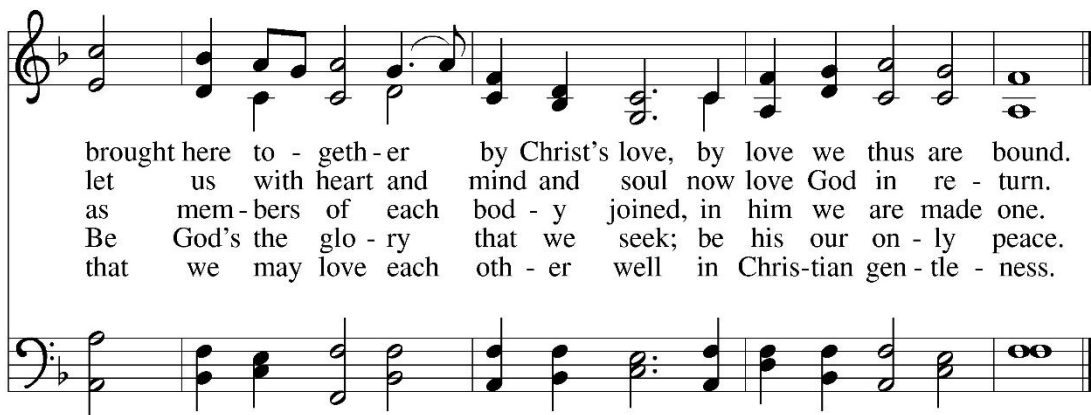
C: Amen.

P: The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
 2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
 3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un-known; let all con - ten-tions cease.
 5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
 let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
 as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.

THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lector: Bill Mundt, Mike Hopp, Pam Taylor, Ron Kastner
Usher: Susan Swanson
Greeters: Marlys McClurg; Vanette Wooldridge
Missionary Support: Open
Altar Flowers: Palm Sunday
Remember in prayer: Genieve Hingst; Barb West; Norma Bock; Bill Ward

~ ~ ~ ~ ~

A Cry Room for infants is available up the stairs and to the right.
There are Kids Celebrate children's bulletins available for youngsters
who'd like to have their own reference to the lessons for this week.
Ask our usher for help.

Please join us for coffee and donuts in the fellowship
hall following the worship service. We would like to
get to know you and offer our friendship.

~ ~ ~ ~ ~

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today:	Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday
	8:00 a.m. Choir Practice
	9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m. Church Life
	10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service
Monday:	6:30 p.m. Property mtg.
	7:00 p.m. Vesper Service @ Bethany
Tuesday:	10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer @ Bethany
Wednesday:	6:30 p.m. Council Mtg.
	8:00 p.m. Compline Service
Thursday:	9:30 a.m. Bible Study @ Messiah
	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday @ Messiah
Friday:	Good Friday Office Closed
	7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service @ Bethany
Saturday:	8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
	2:00 p.m. Holy Saturday @ Messiah
Next Sunday:	Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Sunday
	6:30 a.m. Early Easter Sunrise
	Dan Harken preaching w/ Pastor Ralph Andersen presiding
	8:30 a.m. Easter Worship with Holy Communion
	Choir Sings!
	10:55 a.m. Lutheran Church of Hope Service

CHOIR SINGS ON EASTER

Bethany's choir will be singing an anthem for Easter Sunday at the 8:30am Worship time. There will be choir practice at 8:00am on Sunday, April 13.

SPRING YARD CLEAN UP

Property will be holding a Spring yard clean up on Saturday, April 19, starting at 8:30am! Some additional volunteers would be appreciated! Contact, Joe Gerdes!

JOINT SERVICE AT MESSIAH

We will be having a joint service at Messiah on Sunday, April 27! Worship will start at 10:30am and will be a youth led service with Bethany youth invited to participate with Messiah youth! Any youth interested in participating, please contact Laura at Messiah Lutheran!

MESSIAH HEALING SERVICE

The Messiah Confirmation students are leading a Healing Service on May 7th at 7:00pm @ Messiah. The students are planning the service and leading the service. It is one of the services found in the ELW. The service will be about 30 minutes.

UKRAINIAN FRIENDS

We know that our Ukrainian friends are concerned about the events nationally and whether their status is safe. They are in the United States under the Humanitarian Parole program and receiving Temporary Protected Status (TPS). They filed applications for the program before leaving Ukraine and are cleared of any possible criminal connection; as well as having American sponsors here. They also periodically report to the government as required by the program. One family was sponsored by our members, Kim and Jeff Engle. If you share our concern, please contact your congressional representatives and request that the TPS status be preserved and they be allowed to stay here in safety as they escape the war in their homeland. Thank you!

DIRECTORY UPDATE

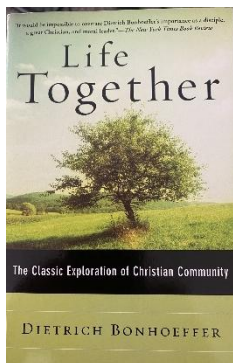
The Directory is currently being updated for this year! If any of your contact information has changed (address/phone) in the last 6 months to a year & you have not informed the office of that change, or are unsure if you did, or you were not in the previous directory & would like to be added. Please let us know by Wednesday, April 16. Updated directories will be available by Sunday, April 20.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR ROSEMARY FOSTER

It is with great sadness that we share that Rosemary Foster has passed away. There will be a celebration of life for Rose, held on Saturday, April 26 from 2pm-5pm at Bethany in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who would like to come.

PASTOR'S BOOK CLUB!

Pastor's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, May 13 @ 7pm @ Bethany. Our next book for May will be "Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian Community" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer!



SCOUTS – YOUTH READ SACRED TEXTS

We invite youth across the world to join us again in reading their own faith's sacred texts. Together, we can recognize our Duty to God, participating as a group or on your own. Join Scouting America, other youth organizations and all faith youth groups in a celebration of sacred texts. To register your participation, go to the website posted below or use the QR code to register and read your sacred text on May 1, 2025, or anytime that week, or join us for a group reading at St. John's Catholic Church in Burlington @ 5pm on May 1st followed by a short reception of drinks and sweets afterwards.

MORE INFORMATION

stlbsa.org/Scouts-read-sacred-texts-worldwide/
ScoutsReadSacredTexts@gmail.com



To Order Patches



To Register



Promotion Video

OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

April donations will be Pastas & Sauces and Mac & Cheese! Thank you for your wonderful generosity!

LENT MADNESS

We are in the Elate 8! If you are playing, remember to vote! You can check the poster on the board at the back of the Fellowship Hall to see who is winning!

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
Bethany Lutheran Church
2515 Madison Ave., Burlington, IA Phone: (319) 752-3621
www.bethanyburlington.org

Office Hours
Monday-Wednesday-Friday - 9:00am-1:00pm
Tuesday & Thursday - 1:30pm-4:30pm

Pastor Misha's Office Hours
Bethany: Monday & Tuesday
Messiah: Wednesday & Thursday
****Pastor Misha's hours vary in the office from
week to week as she may be out of office on visits or other
Pastor duties. Please call or text her to make an appointment or to
see if she is in the office.****

***Pastor Misha's contact info: 412-628-6382;
damisha.mcfarlandpollock@gmail.com***

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Our Staff

Rev. Misha McFarland-Pollock
Cory Byrne
Kim Engle
Wendy Bell
Michelle Huppenbauer
Pam Crable

Pastor
Organist/Choir Director
Stephen Minister Coordinator
Office Administrator
Financial Secretary
Custodian