

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00, 9:20, & 10:30 a.m.



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY GREEN PARK SUNDAY – JANUARY 28, 2024

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service, Setting Three

WELCOME TO PEACE! If you are a guest, please fill out the Visitor side of one of the attendance cards found in the pew rack. Let us know if you would like us to contact you. We are happy to have you worshipping with us today!

P = Pastor

***** = Stand

C = Congregation

Opening Voluntary

Greetings

Principal Lisa Waltenberger, Green Park Lutheran School

*Opening Hymn

LSB 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us

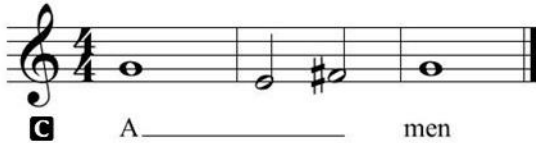


storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

*Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism

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



*Confession

Psalm 32:1–2

[P] Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

[C] **Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

[P] I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”

[C] **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection.

[P] Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

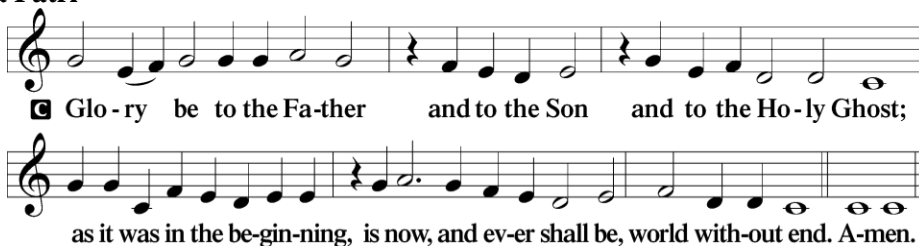
[C] **O most merciful God who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*Absolution

[P] Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I, a called and ordained servant of the Word, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.



*Gloria Patri



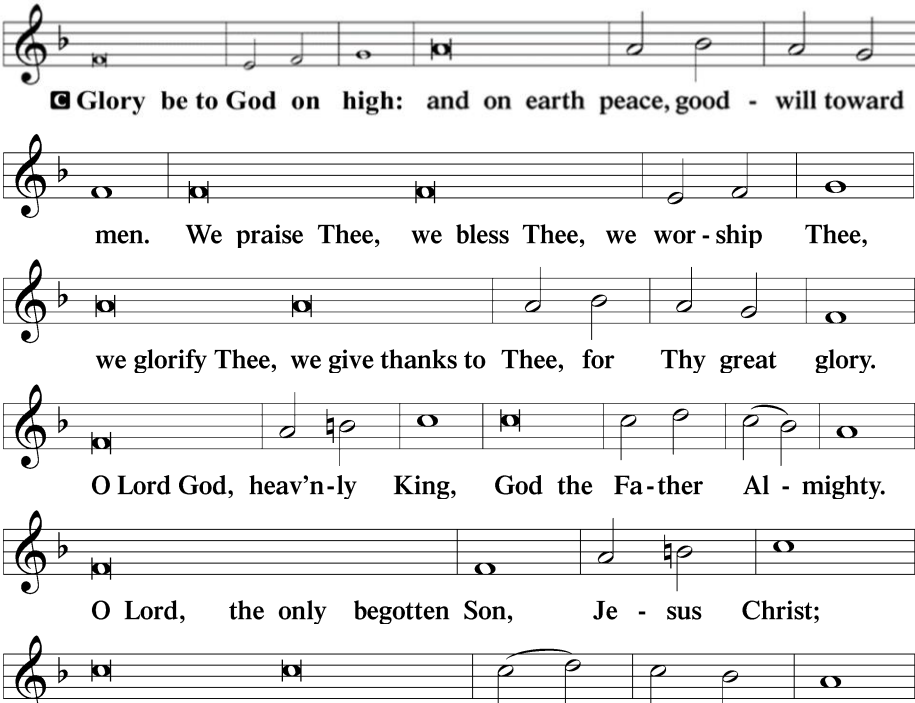
☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

*Kyrie



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Gloria in Excelsis



☐ Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

*Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. . .

C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15–20

¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’¹⁷And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all

that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:1–13

¹Concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Alleluia



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

*Holy Gospel

Mark 1:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*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.

Children's Message

Christina Stackle
Director of Christian Education

Hymn of The Day

LSB 842 Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
 2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
 3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and
 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
 oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
 Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and pas - sion,
 truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
 Free - ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
 Bid its cru - el dis - cords cease. By Your pa - tient years of
 Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
 sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
 toil - ing, By Your si - lent hours of pain, Quench our fe - vered
 will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
 of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
 thirst of plea - sure, Stem our self - ish greed of gain.
 hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

Sermon

“Amazed and Astonished”

(Mark 1:21-28)

Sermon Notes:

Gathering of the Offering

Please fill out an attendance card and place in the offering plate

***Offertory**



C 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.

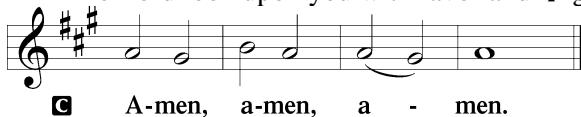
***Prayer of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

***Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Hymn to Depart

LSB 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed-ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell-ing all the dev-il's might;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring-ing good from ill;
That we might be-come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

*Silent Prayer

Closing Voluntary

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP:

Preacher: Pastor Robert Brown

Liturgist: Pastor Jon Furgeson

Lectors: 10:30: Green Park Executive Director Ken Werkmeister and 2nd Grade Teacher Dan Griffith

Organist: 5:00 & 8:00: Michelle Sliger; 9:20 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler

KFUO AM 850 Announcer/Audio Engineer/Video Engineer: J. McCreary/B. Dressel/B. Hentchel

Elders: 5:00: John Hooss, Steve Kienstra; 8:00: Alan Hopfer, Mark Maloy;

9:20: Mark Dowell, Steve Shawcross; 10:30: Kyle Hopfer, Ken Werkmeister

Ushers: 5:00: Steve Kienstra, Tim Behnke, Art Conrad, Charles Rolf, Roger Uhlig;

8:00: Barry Hammon, Aidan Furgeson, Ian Furgeson, Alex Jeffcott, Jack Jeffcott, Chuck Neff, Mike Suda; 9:20: John Wiesehan, Mark Dowell, Jim Huettenmeyer, Jim Johnson, Jacob Schweiss; 10:30: Darrell Ewald, Jeremiah Andrews, Dave Carlson, Joseph Kreitler, Mark Maloy, Brett Santiago, Joe Santiago, Mike Yaeger

Acolytes: 8:00: Rain Dillender, Danielle Watson; 10:30: Vera Harrison, Lyla McCarty

Greeters: 8:00: Mary Suda; 9:20: Eric & Stephanie Holler; 10:30: Steve & Kelly Pfund

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED for the continuation of our current Sunday School program. Teachers especially needed for preschool and 6th grade. Instruction will be provided. If interested, please contact Jacque McElroy or Pastor Brown.

BLOOD DRIVE IS FEBRUARY 24 in the gym, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sign up information can be found on the Commons Counter or on the Peace website.

PEACE MARRIED COUPLES CLUB FEBRUARY EVENT is “Match Your Mate”, Saturday, February 10, 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary Hall. Cost is \$10 per couple. Please bring a snack or dessert to share. Beverages will be provided. Questions, contact Tammy Goodman.

EARLY CHILDHOOD OPEN HOUSE is Tuesday, February 6, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers, and enjoy refreshments while learning about their programs. Registration is now open for the 2024-25 school year. For more information, please contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844, or email earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: EARLY CHILDHOOD is seeking a Preschool Teacher to begin in August for the 2024-2025 school year. Class time is Monday through Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. A job description is on the bulletin board in the Commons. Interested candidates should contact Sue Velten, (314)892-8844.

TO RENEW OR SUBSCRIBE TO THE LUTHERAN WITNESS please send your payment of \$20 to the church office, or use the special envelope included in your 2024 offering envelopes by this Friday, February 2. Cash payment or checks payable to Peace. The 2024 subscription begins in April 2024.

THE LIFE MINISTRY TEAM WILL BE TRAINING NEW MEMBERS and would like to invite anyone interested in joining the team. They sponsor various (Life Affirming) activities with the congregation. If interested in joining this ministry team, contact Steve Andrews (314)885-0472.

ALASKA MISSIONS CHICKEN DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION is next Sunday, February 4, in the gym. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., dinner served at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are being sold at the Commons Counter this weekend – \$12 each prior to the event, children 10 and under are free. Tickets at the door are \$14. Questions, please call Jackie Hoeferlin at (314)440-1693.

SUPER SUB SALES BEGIN THIS WEEKEND! Super Subs are being sold by Boy Scout Troop 584 to benefit camping and the Scouting program. Whole subs (16”) are just \$15, and half subs (8”) are \$10. Order by February 5 and pick up after any service on February 10 and 11. Contact Lisa Rainey, rainla0004@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for your support!

NEW SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS BEGINS FEBURARY 11 in the Kitchen Meeting Room during the 9:15-10:15 a.m. Bible Class hour. Pastor Gadeken and Christina Stackle will team teach the class on the topic of “Relationships”. The class will be held February 11 through March 3 and will follow the book “Handing Out Life: The Simple Way to Rewarding Relationships in All of Life” by Todd A. Biermann. The book will be handed out the first day of class. In order for us to have enough books, please register for the class on the sign-up sheet on the Commons Counter or at the Peace website.

GREEN PARK “A NIGHT FOR OUR VIKINGS” DINNER AUCTION IS FRIDAY, MARCH 8 and you can help! A “Lend a Hand” board for the auction is in the Commons. Simply take one of the hands, purchase the item listed, and then drop off at the church office by February 15. If you have any questions, call the church office. Thank you for your support!

TICKETS FOR GREEN PARK’S DINNER AUCTION are available now and can be purchased by visiting www.greenparklutherschool.org/auction/. Information is also available on that website for sponsorships and advertising. Questions? Contact Laura Reis, (314)544-4248.

MEN’S MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets again this Thursday, February 1, 7:00 a.m. (note the new time). They are currently studying Martin Luther’s Large Catechism. All men are invited to come and enjoy some early morning fellowship and Bible study.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024

- Sunday, January 28: 12:00pm – New Member Class
1:15pm – Middle School Youth Event (rescheduled)
3:00pm – Youth Baseball Practice
6:00pm – Pickleball Open Play
6:30pm – Sanctus Winds Rehearsal
- Monday, January 29: 3:45pm – Green Park Basketball
6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball
7:00pm – Bells of Peace Rehearsal
- Tuesday, January 30: 9:00am – Quilters
9:00am – Refit Exercise Class
3:45pm – Green Park Basketball
6:00pm – Co-Ed Volleyball
- Wednesday, January 31: 4:00pm – Junior Confirmation
6:30pm – High School Youth Group
7:00pm – Wednesday Evening Bible Study
- Thursday, February 1: 7:00am – Men’s Morning Bible Study
9:00am – Mary Martha Bible Study
3:45pm – Green Park Basketball
6:00pm – Crossfire Volleyball
7:00pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm – Boy Scout Troop 584 Meeting
- Friday, February 2: 3:45pm – Green Park Basketball
7:00pm – Couples Club Board Meeting
- Saturday, February 3: 8:00am – Alaska Mission Dinner Set-up
- Sunday, February 4: 11:30am – Life Ministry Team
11:30am – Sunday School Teacher Meeting
12:00pm – New Member Class
5:00pm – Alaska Mission Dinner and Auction
6:30pm – Sanctus Winds Rehearsal



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1st Grade Teacher: Jennifer Dixon
2nd Grade Teacher: Dan Griffith
2nd Grade Teacher: Nicole Berry
3rd Grade Teacher: Danielle Madsen
4th Grade Teacher: Brenda Huster
5th Grade Teacher: Jan Cibulka
6th Grade Teacher: Ann Ryherd
7th Grade Teacher: Donna Auer
7th Grade Teacher: David Rusert
8th Grade Teacher: Josh Dixon
Middle School Math: Christy White
Art Teacher: Chris Perko
5th-8th Band Teacher: Evan Sanft
5th-8th Choir: Julian Hoy
Strings Teacher: Pete Pancella
Educational Technology Coordinator: Rodger Robbins
LASE Teacher: Kelly Templeton
Teacher Aides: Sarah Baese, Brenda Chitwood, Heather McDermott, Anna Mullens, Annette Reiter, Megan Wakeman
Childcare Staff: Brenda Chitwood, Kathryn Reinitz, William Spies, Megan Wakeman
Kitchen Staff: Brenda Chitwood, Sabrina Bentz
School Nurse: Kathy Christ
Maintenance: Ado Caus
School Counselor: Rachel Simons

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Green Park Lutheran School is a JK-8 school located in south St. Louis County. For over 60 years the school has served as a destination and a pillar in the community. Each day families from 20 different zip codes drive to campus for academic rigor centered in Christ.

The mission of Green Park Lutheran School is to welcome and care for all families with the love of Jesus and to academically prepare children in a challenging and enriching environment.

Green Park Lutheran School partners with families to prepare students for success by teaching them to independently work through problems and think critically in a faithful and caring environment. Green Park will prepare children spiritually, academically, socially, and emotionally through an education grounded in faith, morals and diversity.



PALMS AND EASTER FLOWERS

Palm trees, Easter lilies, azaleas and tulips will decorate our Chancel for Palm Sunday, Confirmation, and Easter. If you would like to purchase a palm or flowering plant, please complete this form and return it to the church office, with payment of cash or check payable to Peace. Orders are due by Sunday, February 18. Questions? Please contact Tami Behnke at (314)596-7350.

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I/We: _____

Attach \$_____ for:

_____ Easter Lilies (white) - \$12 each

_____ Azaleas (pink) - \$18 each

_____ Tulips (bicolor, pink and white) - \$8 each

_____ Palms for Palm Sunday - \$20 each*
(*Limited to four, please contact Tami in advance to check availability)

Choose one: _____ To the Glory of God

_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Honor of _____