

PALM SUNDAY—SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

PRESERVICE:

“Acclamation in G Minor”

~Karen Thompson

Crescendo Bells

THE ACCOUNT OF PALM SUNDAY: *Mark 11:1-11*

As Jesus and His disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to the towns of Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of them on ahead. “Go into that village over there,” He told them. “As soon as you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, ‘What are you doing?’ just say, ‘The Lord needs it and will return it soon.’”

The two disciples left and found the colt standing in the street, tied outside the front door. As they were untying it, some bystanders demanded, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” They said what Jesus had told them to say, and they were permitted to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments over it, and He sat on it.

Many in the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of Him, and others spread leafy branches they had cut in the fields. Jesus was in the center of the procession, and the people all around Him were shouting,

“Praise God!

Blessings on the One who comes in the name of the LORD!

Blessings on the coming Kingdom of our ancestor David!

Praise God in highest heaven!”

So, Jesus came to Jerusalem and went into the Temple. After looking around carefully at everything, He left because it was late in the afternoon. Then He returned to Bethany with the twelve disciples. – NLT®

OPENING SONG: “Hosanna”

Verse 1

Praise is rising
Eyes are turning to You
We turn to You
Hope is stirring
Hearts are yearning for You
We long for You

Verse 2

Hear the sound of
Hearts returning to You
We turn to You
In Your Kingdom
Broken lives are made new
You make us new

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away

Ending

Hosanna hosanna

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna--You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises, Hosanna hosanna
Come have Your way among us, We welcome You here Lord Jesus

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: In the name of God the Father, whose presence we now enter.

People: Hosanna!

Leader: In the name of God the Son, who entered Jerusalem as its coming King and our sacrificial Lamb.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: In the name of God the Spirit, who has entered our hearts moving us to cheer our Lord's gracious arrival, even as we observe our lives with mournful repentance.

People: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes to us in the name of the Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

"Hosanna!"
~Henry Mollicone

Bethany Choir

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Leader: Dear Lord, many times we have known what You have needed from us, yet we were unwilling to give.

**People: We have often questioned You, Lord,
"What are You doing?"
"Why are You taking?"
"Why have You not?"
"Why have You allowed?"
"Why, Lord, why?"**

Leader: Like the crowd in Jerusalem, we too rejoice at Your arrival.

**People: Yet, we must confess,
that at times we live as if You were never to arrive.
In our attitudes and our actions, in our desires and our deeds
we have lived as if You were far off,
uninvolved and unconcerned with Your children's behavior.**

Leader: Yet our unworthiness goes much deeper.

**People: We are by nature fallen and unholy.
By nature, we are self-absorbed
and often find ourselves using You to justify our will and our wants.
We admit Lord,
that we deserve to have You come to us in judgment.**

Leader: For the Glory of Your name and the sake of Your love enter our lives today Lord, triumphant and victorious, forgiving and merciful.

People: Bestow on us the blessing of Your work and save us Lord.

Leader: Hosanna, the Lord saves and He has saved you!
The Lord comes here today in these words to cheer you,
"For Jesus' sake your sin is forgiven."

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the Highest!

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

LSB 442

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

- 1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
- 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Leader: O Lord, on this day You entered a city that rejoiced over You,
only to later reject You.

People: Our faith is often as fickle as Jerusalem's
and both praises and curses fall from our lips too.
Come to us anew Lord;

Leader: As You have declared us holy, send us Your Holy Spirit
that we might serve and live with a holy purpose:
that many more might greet Your arrival with joy!

People: Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

Although He was in the form of God and equal with God,
He did not take advantage of this equality.
Instead, He emptied Himself by taking on the form of a servant,
by becoming like other humans,
by having a human appearance.
He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,
death on a cross.

This is why God has given Him an exceptional honor—
the name honored above all other names—
so that at the name of Jesus everyone in heaven, on earth,
and in the world below will kneel
and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord
to the glory of God the Father. – GW®

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: “Suffering Servant”

Word Alive

Verse 1

His appearance was so badly marred
He could not have been recognized
So disfigured so beyond all human likeness
That we hid our eyes

Verse 2

Though He carried all our griefs
And bore our sorrows
We esteemed Him not
But despised Him and considered Him afflicted
And as one reviled by God

Chorus 1

Though all of us have gone astray
Though all have turned to their own ways
The Lord has laid our wickedness on Him
His punishment has brought us peace
And crushed for our iniquities
He dies to save His people from their sin

Verse 3

He was stricken
And though pierced for our transgressions
He did not lash out
But was silent like a lamb led to the slaughter
So He opened not His mouth

Bridge

The might of Yahweh
Stands revealed
And by His wounds we
All are healed

Chorus 2

He offered up His soul to death
He poured it out till none was left
He died but now shall rise and surely see
The many He has righteous made
And satisfied His work surveyed
The man of sorrows ever more shall be

Chorus 3

On high exalted lifted up
The righteous servant raised above
His mighty hand shall work the will of God
The nations all shall hear and see
Astonished at His victory
The kings of men shall shut their mouths in awe

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**MINISTRY OF MUISC:****“The Triumphant Entry”**

8:00 am Trinity Choir

*~Mark Patterson***“Hosanna to the Son”**

9:30 Troubadour Choir

*~Jody W. Lindh***THE HOLY GOSPEL: *John 18:28-38 & 19:6-7, 12-22, 28-30***

Early in the morning, Jesus was taken from Caiaphas' house to the governor's palace.

The Jews wouldn't go into the palace. They didn't want to become unclean, since they wanted to eat the Passover. So Pilate came out to them and asked, "What accusation are you making against this man?"

The Jews answered Pilate, "If He weren't a criminal, we wouldn't have handed Him over to you." Pilate told the Jews, "Take Him, and try Him by your law."

The Jews answered him, "We're not allowed to execute anyone." In this way what Jesus had predicted about how He would die came true.

Pilate went back into the palace, called for Jesus, and asked Him, "Are You the king of the Jews?"

Jesus replied, "Did you think of that yourself, or did others tell you about me?"

Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own people and the chief priests handed You over to me. What have You done?"

Jesus answered, "My kingdom doesn't belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. My kingdom doesn't have its origin on earth."

Pilate asked Him, "So You are a king?"

Jesus replied, "You're correct in saying that I'm a king. I have been born and have come into the world for this reason: to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to me."

Pilate said to Him, "What is truth?"

After Pilate said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I don't find this man guilty of anything..."

When the chief priests and the guards saw Jesus, they shouted, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!"

Pilate told them, "You take Him and crucify Him. I don't find this man guilty of anything."

The Jews answered Pilate, "We have a law, and by that law He must die because He claimed to be the Son of God." ...

When Pilate heard what Jesus said, he wanted to free Him. But the Jews shouted, "If you free this man, you're not a friend of the emperor. Anyone who claims to be a king is defying the emperor."

When Pilate heard what they said, he took Jesus outside and sat on the judge's seat in a place called Stone Pavement. (In Hebrew it is called *Gabbatha*.) The time was about six o'clock in the morning on the Friday of the Passover festival.

Pilate said to the Jews, "Look, here's your king!"

Then the Jews shouted, "Kill Him! Kill Him! Crucify Him!"

Pilate asked them, "Should I crucify your king?"

The chief priests responded, "The emperor is the only king we have!"

Then Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

So the soldiers took Jesus. He carried His own cross and went out of the city to a location called The Skull. (In Hebrew this place is called *Golgotha*.) The soldiers crucified Jesus and two other men there. Jesus was in the middle.

Pilate wrote a notice and put it on the cross. The notice read, "Jesus from Nazareth, the king of the Jews." Many Jews read this notice, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city. The notice was written in Hebrew, Latin, and Greek.

The chief priests of the Jewish people told Pilate, "Don't write, 'The king of the Jews!' Instead, write, 'He said that He is the king of the Jews.'"

Pilate replied, "I have written what I've written." ...

After this, when Jesus knew that everything had now been finished, He said, "I'm thirsty." He said this so that Scripture could finally be concluded.

A jar filled with vinegar was there. So the soldiers put a sponge soaked in the vinegar on a hyssop stick and held it to His mouth.

After Jesus had taken the vinegar, He said, "It is finished!"

Then He bowed His head and died. – GW®

SONG: "My Song is Love Unknown"

Verse 1

My song is love unknown
My Savior's love to me
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be
Oh who am I that for my sake
My Lord should take frail flesh and die

Verse 3

Here might I stay and sing
No story so divine
Never was love dear King
Never was grief like Thine
This is my friend, In whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend

Verse 2

Sometimes they strew His way
And His sweet praises sing
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King
Then crucify is all their breath
And for His death they thirst and cry

Chorus 2

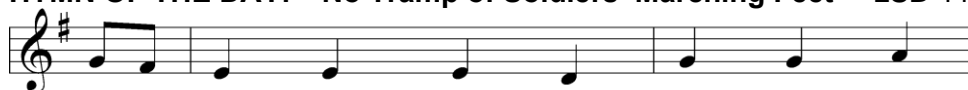
Oh Your grace has made a way
Oh Your love has conquered the grace
Oh Your love made known to me
Oh Your grace has made a way
Oh Your love has conquered the grace
Oh Your love made known to me
And to the world Your love I'll be

Chorus 1

Oh Your grace has made a way
Oh Your love has conquered the grace
Oh Your love made known to me
And to the world Your love I'll be

MESSAGE: "Get off Your Donkey 'two/too'"

HYMN OF THE DAY: "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet" LSB 444



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet
 2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;
 4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake



With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's
 With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"
 cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride
 A - stride a colt He pass - es by
 The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,
 Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing
 As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y
 The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
 Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES' CREED: (** catholic means the universal Christian Church*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
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.

OFFERING: *The Offering Box is located in the center aisle. Text Giving is now available by texting **GIVE** to 562-210-0463. For On-line Giving information, contact Maraley at mshaeffer@bethanylutheran.org or call 562-421-4711, ext. 21. Thank you!*

PRAYERS:

Leader: As we journey through this week of our Lord's passion and death,
let us turn to God, the giver of new life.

(A brief silence)

Leader: Merciful Father, Your Son endured triumphs and terrors in Jerusalem. Give
steadfastness to all Your people in this Holy Week,
and give us insight to meditate faithfully
upon the mystery of the Lamb of God
sacrificed for sheep, like us, who love to wander.
Hear us, O God;

People: Your mercy is great.

Leader: Merciful Father, may the gentle rule of Jesus
as the Prince of Peace be known throughout the world.
Hear us, O God;

People: Your mercy is great.

Leader: Merciful Father, may Your grace sustain all who are sick, (especially...).
May they know Your healing presence.
Hear us, O God;

People: Your mercy is great.

Leader: Merciful Father, keep us in communion
with those who have gone before us into Your endless joy,
and bless those who rejoice this day, (especially...).
Hear us, O God;

People: Your mercy is great.

Leader: Merciful Father, hear us when we cry to You;
renew us, and uphold us with Your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who has taught us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER:

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

***** For our 8:00 a.m. worshippers, the service continues on page 14 with Special
Announcements.**

***** For our 9:30 a.m. worshippers, the service continues with the Celebration of
Holy Communion:**

+ Service of the Sacrament +

***The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Bethany in the joyful confession that our Lord gives us
His very Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins in this
sacrament. God intends this gift for His children who recognize their sin, trust in Christ as
their Savior, desire to live for Him alone and join in this joyful
confession.***

**To help you prepare for communion we invite you to take a few moments of quiet
prayer. For aid there are prayers on the front page of the hymnal for both before and
after the reception of communion. Or simply pray, *Dear Lord Jesus, at Your gracious
invitation You invite me to come to You, to eat and drink Your holy body and blood as You
Yourself have promised to give in this sacrament of Your altar. Forgive me of my sin,
through this Your meal of Forgiveness. Let me experience the fullness of Your love, through
this Your meal of love. Strengthen my faith, through this meal of Yours that calls for and
bestows faith. Empower me to live for You, through this Your meal that promises life
everlasting and equips me for daily living as one who has received You and Your gifts.***

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

For those communing, who so desire, center cups in each tray are alcohol free.

The wafers next to the Christ candle are gluten free;

for those with dietary restrictions, please take a gluten free wafer.

In our 9:30 a.m. service we will practice the Easter tradition of continuous communion. We will not kneel at the altar, rather we will join the procession of saints and come forward and remain standing as we receive the bread and wine. After receiving the elements, you are invited to return to your seat and continue in meditation, prayer and song.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior" LSB 619



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which
2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in
3 Who can con - demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is
4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not
5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed,



Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and
Thee and Thou in me. No sor - row fills my
nigh, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and
rob me of my cheer; For He who is of
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy



strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.
death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.



Refrain
Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

LSB 425



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
love - flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

THE BLESSING:

Leader: As He sat on a donkey Jesus gave the beast of burden,

People: **A new dignity.**

Leader: As He entered His own city in humility Jesus gave royalty,

People: **A new grace.**

Leader: As He welcomed the praise of the crowd
Jesus gave those longing for redemption,

People: **A new song.**

Leader: With them, we give Him our hearts and voices, as we cry:

People: **Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

CLOSING HYMN: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

LSB 443



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



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



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



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

POSTLUDE: "Voluntary on ELLACOMBE"

Organ

+ + + + + +

COPYRIGHT PERMISSIONS:

Permission to reprint, podcast, and / or stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with license #A-706149. All rights reserved.

Permission to reprint, podcast, and / or stream the music in this service obtained from www.ccli.com with license #20537224. All rights reserved.

Permission to podcast, and / or stream the music in this service obtained from www.cph.org with license #000012696. All rights reserved.

Liturgy (or the appropriate portion thereof) from *Lutheran Service Book*
©2006 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission. License #000012696

"Hosanna"
Baul Baloche|Brenton Brown; CCLI Song#4662491; ©2005,2006 Thankyou Music; Integrity's Hosanna! Music; Admin by Capitol CMG Pub., Integrity Music. All rights reserved. For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License #396555

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" LSB 442
Text: Theodulf of Orléans, c. 762-821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt. Tune: Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635, alt.; setting: *Lutheran Book of Worship: Select Hymns, 1985*. Text and music: Public domain.

"Suffering Servant"
Dustin Kensrue; CCLI Song #7004665; ©2013 Dead Bird Theology; It's All About Jesus Music; We Are Younger We Are Faster Music. Admin. By Music Services, Inc. For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License #396555

"My Song is Love Unknown" LSB 430

Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624-83; Public domain;Tune: John N. Ireland; Tune: ©John Ireland Trust. All rights reserved.

Reprinted under ONELICENSE #A-706149.

CCLI Song #7064068; Arr. Blake Flattley; ©2015 There Will Be Rest (Admin. by Blake Flattley Music);For use solely with the SongSelect.

Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 396555

"No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet" LSB 444

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith. Music: English; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams. Text: © 1984 Hope Publishing Co. All rights reserved.

Reprinted under ONELICENSE #A-706149. Music: Public domain.

"Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior" LSB 619

Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder, 1677-1754; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, abr.; Tune: *Emskirchner Choral-Buch*, Leipzig, 1756.

Text: © 1941 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Reprinted under ONELICENSE #A-706149. Music: Public domain.

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" LSB 425

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748; Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872; Text and Music: Public domain.

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" LSB 443

'Hosanna' is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now."

Text: Jeannette Threlfall, 1821-80, alt. Tune: *Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle*, Württemberg, 1784. Text and music: Public domain.

+ + + + + +

SERVING GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Acolyte...Alice Kienitz

Lector 8:00... Nola Seaman

Liturgist...Karl Fink

Crescendo Director... Sara Cerulle

Children's Sermon... Alissa Brege

Flute...Dr. Julie Long

Crucifer...Timothy O'Conner

Lector 9:30...Chris Cale

Preacher... Pastor Kevin Kritzer

Director of Music and Worship Arts: Noah Freeman

Accompanist...Kevin Bowers

Artist in Residence...Blake Flattley

+ + + + + +

Please visit our websites to keep up-to-date on everything that is going on in our Church, School and Preschool. Get weekly updates by signing up for the Bethany Bullet—our weekly capsule of worship highlights and campus-wide information.

Bethany Lutheran Church Information can be found by visiting our Church website at:

www.bethanylutheran.org

Bethany Lutheran School Information can be found by visiting our School website at:

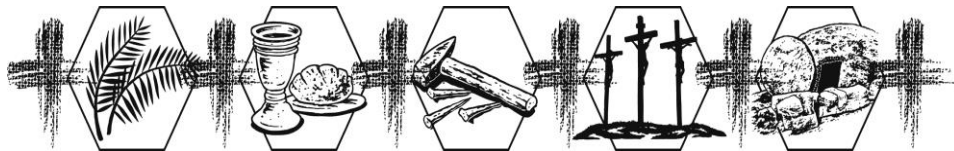
www.bethanylutheran.org/school/

Bethany Preschool Information is located on our Preschool website at:

www.bethanylutheran.org/preschool/

To sign up for the weekly Bethany Bullet: <https://bit.ly/BethanyBulletSignUp>

+ + + + + +



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES:

MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship Service

Thursday, March 28 at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

GOOD FRIDAY Worship Services

Friday, March 29 at 12:00 pm at **Holy Cross**

Friday, March 29 at 6:30 pm at **Bethany Lutheran**

EASTER FESTIVAL Worship Services

Sunday, March 31 at 8:00 and 9:30 am at **Bethany Lutheran**

Sunday, March 31 at 11:00 am at **Holy Cross**

+ + + + + +

Sign up to donate to Bethany's Altar Flower Fund, please use this URL:

<https://bit.ly/BLCAltarFlowers>



Or scan Bethany's Flower Fund QR code to the right:

+ + + + + +