



Walking Courageously  
with *Jesus*

*It takes courage to fully approach Lent.  
Jesus, help me walk in your steps.*

***WALKING COURAGEOUSLY WITH JESUS***  
Lenten Worship 2025  
**Resurrection Lutheran Church, Cary NC**

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Each year the season of Lent is set aside to walk with Jesus towards the cross. We are reminded of what Jesus has done for us on that cross. That He died for our sins so that we may never know the fulness of death. We live in that eternal promise today, but what does that mean? It takes courage to live with Jesus, to walk with Him in this eternal life. Walking with Jesus isn't always easy, so we want to take time to talk about this journey together, looking towards the empty cross as a people who walk with Jesus.

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All offerings will go to support the ministries listed in the back of the bulletin.

**WELCOME**

**INVOCATION**

P O God, Father in heaven,  
C **Have mercy on us.**

P O Son of God, Redeemer of the world  
C **Have mercy on us.**

P O God the Holy Spirit  
C **Have mercy on us.**

**OPENING SONG** *(Please see pages 6-13 for the lyrics to these songs.)*

March 12	<i>All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises</i>
March 19	<i>Shine into Our Night</i>
March 26	<i>Sing to The King Who is Coming to Reign</i>
April 2	<i>Thank You for the Cross/Worthy is the Lamb</i>
April 9	<i>Jesus, Messiah</i>

**TABLE PRAYER**

*Everyone at the table can share a high and low from the past few days and then, as a table, offer a prayer over these requests and thanksgivings or read aloud the prayer listed here...*

**Merciful Savior, it takes courage to fully approach Lent. A courage that, on our own, we often fall short of. Lift us up, by the power of the Holy Spirit, that we may stand together as your eternal family, under the grace of the cross. By your Word, help us to walk in your steps that we may be witnesses of your steadfast, unbreaking, always and forever love. Amen.**

## PASSION HISTORY

March 12	Mark 15:1-5, 15; John 19:6, 15-17
March 19	Luke 23:26-31
March 26	Matthew 27:33-35; Luke 23:33-34
April 2	Luke 23:39-46
April 9	Matthew 27:57-60

## THEME SONG

*Lead Me To The Cross*                      B. Ligertwood

- Savior, I come, quiet my soul,  
remember redemption's hill  
where Your blood was spilled for my ransom,**

**Ev'rything I once held dear,  
I count it all as loss:                      (sing 2x)**

*Refrain*

*Lead me to the cross  
where Your love poured out;  
bring me to my knees,  
LORD, I lay me down;*

*Rid me of myself,  
I belong to You; o lead me -  
lead me to the cross*

- You were as I, tempted and tried,  
Human - the Word became flesh  
Bore my sin in death;  
now You're risen!**

**Ev'rything I once held dear -  
I count it all as loss:    *refrain 2x***

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## MESSAGE    *WALKING COURAGEOUSLY WITH JESUS*

March 12	<i>It Takes Courage to Know Jesus</i>
March 19	<i>It Takes Courage to Repent</i>
March 26	<i>It Takes Courage to Forgive</i>
April 2	<i>It Takes Courage to Trust Jesus</i>
April 9	<i>It Takes Courage to Follow Jesus</i>

## PRAYERS FOR ALL PEOPLE/POPCORN PRAYER

*During this prayer time, you will have an opportunity to verbally voice your prayer requests to the Lord, living together as the family of faith.*

## LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

**C** I thank You, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your Dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your Hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angels be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## 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

**C** The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of the Father and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen.

## CLOSING SONG *(Please see pages 6-13 for the lyrics to these songs.)*

March 12	<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	<b>LSB 543</b>
March 19	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	<b>LSB 425</b>
March 26	<i>Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted</i>	<b>LSB 451</b>
April 2	<i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i>	<b>LSB 449</b>
April 9	<i>Were You There (st. 1-3)</i>	<b>LSB 456</b>

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## **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Dr. Jonathan Blanke  
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Rebecca Melland-Kuo  
Lake Country High School Band (March 19)

## **Lenten Offerings for 2025**

**Offerings received during the Lenten Midweek Worship Services this year will go to support two entities: Manna Food Bank and Inter-faith Food Shuttle.**

Please place your offerings in the specially marked offering envelopes or denote "Lenten Offerings" on your check. Thank you for your generosity in supporting these important charities and ministries.

### **Manna Food Bank**

Manna Foodbank is located in Asheville, NC. Founded in 1982, Manna Foodbank is a private, not-for-profit service organization working to end food insecurity in the 6 counties of Western NC, including the Qualla Boundary. This group was hit hard by Hurricane Helene losing their warehouse and all the food stored there. Our donation will go a long way to help them rebuild and feed our friends impacted by the storm.  
[mannafoodbank.org](http://mannafoodbank.org)

### **Inter-Faith Food Shuttle**

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle states their mission is, "To feed our neighbors, teach self-sufficiency, and grow healthy foods by cultivating innovative approaches to end hunger." They provide shelf stable food through their pantry, have onsite gardens and administer the Back Pack Buddies program which sends food home with food insecure school children on the weekends.  
[foodshuttle.org/feed](http://foodshuttle.org/feed)

**March 12**

*All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises*

P. Baloche

*Refrain*

**You lived, You died,  
You said in three days You would rise  
You did - You're alive,  
You rule, You reign,  
You said You're coming back again -  
I know that You will,  
and all the earth will sing Your praises,  
all the earth will sing Your praises!**

*Verse*

**You took, You take our sins away, O God;  
You give, You gave Your life away for us;  
You came down, You saved us through the cross -  
our hearts are changed because of Your great love:**

*Refrain*

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*What Wonderous Love is This*

*LSB 543*

1. **What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?**
2. **When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down;  
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.**
3. **To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.**

4. **And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on!  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity I'll sing on!**

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## **March 19**

*Shine into Our Night* J. Sczebel

1. **We are not what we should be,  
we haven't sought what we should seek  
We've seen Your glory, LORD, but looked away;**
- Our hearts are bent, our eyes are dim,  
our finest works are stained with sin,  
and emptiness has shadowed all our ways**

*Refrain*

*Jesus Christ, shine into our night,  
drive our dark away  
'til Your glory fills our eyes*

*Jesus Christ, shine into our night,  
bind us to Your cross where we find life*

2. **Still we often go astray,  
we chase the world, forget Your grace -  
But You have never failed to bring us back**
- Reveal the depths of what You've done:  
the death You died, the vict'ry won,  
You made a way for us to know Your love**

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*When I Survey the Wonderful Cross*

*LSB 425*

1. **When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss  
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

2. **Forbid it, LORD, that I should boast  
save in the death of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.**
3. **See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down -  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**
4. **Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a tribute far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all!**

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## March 26

*Sing to The King Who is Coming to Reign* B. Foote

1. **Sing to the King Who is coming to reign;  
glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain  
Life and salvation His empire shall bring,  
and joy to the nations when Jesus is King**

*Refrain*

*Come, let us sing a song,  
a song declaring that we belong to Jesus -  
He is all we need  
Lift up a heart of praise,  
sing now with voices raised to Jesus;  
sing to the King*

2. **For His returning we watch and we pray;  
we will be ready the dawn of that day  
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed:  
Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King!**

*Refrain*

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1. Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,  
see Him dying on the tree!  
'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;  
yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!  
'Tis the long-expected Prophet,  
David's Son, yet David's LORD;  
Proofs I see sufficient of it:  
'tis the true and faithful Word.
2. Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,  
was there ever grief like His?  
Friends through fear His cause disowning,  
foes insulting His distress;  
Many hands were raised to wound Him,  
none would intervene to save;  
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him  
was the stroke that justice gave.
3. Ye who think of sin but lightly  
nor suppose the evil great  
here may view its nature rightly,  
here its guilt may estimate.  
Mark the sacrifice appointed,  
see who bears the awful load;  
'Tis the Word, the LORD's anointed,  
Son of Man and Son of God.
4. Here we have a firm foundation,  
here the refuge of the lost:  
Christ, the Rock of our salvation,  
is the Name of which we boast;  
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,  
sacrifice to cancel guilt!  
None shall ever be confounded  
who on Him their hope have built.

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**April 2**

*Worthy Is The Lamb (Thank You for the Cross)*

1. Thank You for the cross, LORD,  
thank You for the price You paid -  
bearing all my sin and shame,  
in love You came and gave amazing grace;

2. Thank You for this love, LORD,  
thank You for the nail pierced hands -  
Washed me in Your cleansing flow,  
now all I know, Your forgiveness and embrace

*Refrain*

*Worthy is the Lamb seated on the throne;  
Crown You now with many crowns,  
You reign victorious!*

*High and lifted up, Jesus, Son of God,  
the Darling of Heaven crucified:  
worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb*

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*O Sacred Heart, Now Wounded*

*LSB 449*

1. O sacred Head, now wounded,  
with grief and shame weighed down,  
now scornfully surrounded  
with thorns, Thine only crown.  
O sacred Head, what glory,  
what bliss, till now was Thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory,  
I joy to call Thee mine.
2. What Thou, my LORD, hast suffered  
was all for sinners' gain;  
Mine, mine was the transgression,  
but Thine the deadly pain.  
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!  
'Tis I deserve Thy place;  
Look on me with Thy favor,  
and grant to me Thy grace.
3. What language shall I borrow  
to thank Thee, dearest Friend,  
for this Thy dying sorrow,  
Thy pity without end?  
O make me Thine forever!  
And should I fainting be,  
LORD, let me never, never,  
outlive my love for Thee.

4. **Be Thou my consolation,  
my shield, when I must die;  
Remind me of Thy passion  
when my last hour draws nigh.  
Mine eyes shall then behold Thee,  
upon Thy cross shall dwell,  
My heart by faith enfold Thee,  
who dieth thus dies well.**

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## April 9

*Jesus, Messiah*

C. Tomlin

1. **He became sin who knew no sin,  
that we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross;  
Love so amazing, love so amazing**

*Refrain*

**Jesus, Messiah,  
Name above all names,  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel;  
the Rescue for sinners,  
the Ransom from heaven,  
Jesus, Messiah, LORD of all.**

2. **His body the bread, His blood the wine;  
broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn -  
Love so amazing, love so amazing** *Refrain*

**All our hope is in You,  
all our hope is in You,  
all the glory to You, God,  
the Light of the world:**

*Refrain*

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1. **Were you there when they crucified my LORD?  
Were you there when they crucified my LORD?  
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my LORD?**
  
2. **Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?**
  
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## Holy Week

### **Palm Sunday – April 13**

- 8:00, 9:30 am** Sanctuary Festival Worship with Holy Communion  
**11:00 am** Praise Worship, Led by Reign! with Holy Communion

### **Maundy Thursday – April 17**

- 4:00 pm** Worship with Holy Communion  
**7:00 pm** Worship with Holy Communion

### **Good Friday – April 18**

- 12:00 pm** Worship  
**7:00 pm** Tenebrae Service, *The Messiah Part II*

### **Easter Sunday – April 20**

- 6:30 am** Sunrise Service  
**8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am** Sanctuary Easter Festival Worship  
with Holy Communion  
**11:00 am** Praise Worship, Led by Reign! with Holy Communion  
In the Family Life Center