



**Emmanuel
Lutheran**
CHURCH & SCHOOL
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY

8:30AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

11:00AM BLENDED WORSHIP

OUR VISION: FULLY ENGAGED, BIBLICALLY PASSIONATE, DRIVEN TO SERVE

"Gathering Crowds"



John 12:12-19

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Sunday, March 29, 2026

9:45am Kid's Sunday School (room off the Fellowship Hall)
Personal Prayer Ministry (after 11am service at the altar)
The Food Pantry is **CLOSED** today

8:30am Traditional Service

Call to Worship "Hosanna!"

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AS WE GATHER

Today we enter the Great and Holy Week of our faith, the very heart and center of God's greatest act since the Creation itself—the salvation of mankind by the overthrow of sin, death, and the devil, and the restoration of all creation through the power of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. As we join the crowds welcoming Jesus, the one who comes in the name of the Lord, we plan to get swept up in the drama of the story many know so well.

Peter wrote, "Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 1:13). On this day "preparing [our] minds for action" makes us as contemplate and consider what was in the mind of Jesus as He entered Jerusalem to the cheers of adults and children waving palms and shouting praise. What was our Lord thinking as He gathered His disciples for the Last Supper of Passover? As He prayed in Gethsemane's garden? When He was arrested, falsely tried, beaten, abused, and sentenced to death by crucifixion? What was in the Savior's mind as He hung on that cross? For the obvious impossibility of our ability to know the depths of the God who says, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways" (Isaiah 55:8), there is one thing we can know for sure—He had you in mind. We know that "God so loved the world" (John 3:16).

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Hosanna!" Choir, Kid's Choir, Worship Team

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG "Prepare the Way" (based on LSB 343) Tune and Additional lyrics by Heather Meulenberg

VERSE 1

Prepare the royal highway,
the King of kings is near;
Let every hill and valley a level road appear.
Then greet the king of glory foretold in
sacred story:
Hosanna to the Lord,
for He fulfills God's word!

CHORUS

**He's Coming, He's Coming,
make way for the Lord
With saints and with angels,
we praise and adore
From manger to Calv'ry, to earth again
one day,
Our king is coming, prepare the Way!**

VERSE 2

God's people, see him coming:
your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before him;
spread garments; shout and sing.

God's promise will not fail you;
no more shall doubt assail you:
Hosanna to the Lord,
for He fulfills God's word!

CHORUS

VERSE 3

His is no earthly kingdom;
It comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom,
And justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding
for kindness so abounding:
Hosanna to the Lord,
for He fulfills God's word!

CHORUS

BRIDGE

From robes of white to stable low
We look for Him, our King and Lord
He took our pain, rules from His throne,
All praise is His, and His alone!

CHORUS

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David.

COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord God, as the people in Jerusalem gathered to welcome Your Son, our Lord, when He came into His holy city, so we sing of Your coming among us today with songs of praise. Keep us steadfast in our hope and confession of faith throughout our lives that we may meet Him with grateful hearts when He comes again in glory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL John 12:12-19 The Triumphal Entry

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace,

People: in the name of the Lord.

HYMN LSB 442 “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

REFRAIN

**All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.**

1 You are the King of Israel
And David’s royal Son,
Now in the Lord’s name coming,
Our King and Blessèd One.

REFRAIN

2 The company of angels
Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation
In chorus make reply.

REFRAIN

3 The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before You went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before You we present.

REFRAIN

4 To You before Your passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

REFRAIN

5 As You received their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev’ry blessing,
Our good and gracious King.

REFRAIN

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Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 50:4–9a

⁴ The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

⁵ The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.

⁶ I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

⁷ But the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face
like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.

⁹ Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:19–29

¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness,
 that I may enter through them
 and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰This is the gate of the LORD;
 the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹I thank you that you have answered me
 and have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected
 has become the cornerstone.

²³This is the LORD's doing;
 it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵Save us, we pray, O LORD!
 O LORD, we pray, give us success!

²⁶Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
 We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷The LORD is God,
 and he has made his light to shine upon us.

Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
 up to the horns of the altar!

²⁸You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
 you are my God; I will extol you.

²⁹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
 for his steadfast love endures forever!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG "You Said I Am (Behold and Believe)"

VERSE 1

You said I am the Bread of Life
Whoever comes to dine
Will not hunger, will not thirst
And will be satisfied
You said I am the only light
That gives the blind their sight
And if we see You will lead us through
The darkest night

CHORUS

**We behold, we believe
You are the Lion and the Lamb
The Prince of Peace
We adore, we confess
You are the one who came and died
And rose again
The great I Am**

VERSE 2

You said I am the open door
That souls are longing for
If we walk in new life begins forevermore
You said I am the Shepherd guide
Who came to live and die
To lead the ones He loves
To resurrection life

CHORUS

INTERLUDE

The great I Am

BRIDGE

Before creation's spark
Before light from the dark
Before the waters part
You are
You are the great I Am
Before You breathed on the dust
Before Abraham was
Before the burning bush
You are
You are the great I Am

TAG

You are the great I Am
You are the great I Am

VERSE 3

You said I am the only way
To see the Father's face
The only truth, the only life
The one who saves
You said I am the one true vine
In You we will abide
To bear the fruit of Gospel truth
In death and life
That all might know the mighty name
Of Jesus Christ

CHORUS

ENDING

You're the great I Am
You're the great I Am

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SERMON

APOSTLE'S CREED

People: 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

OFFERING "Crowns Down"

VERSE 1

Enthroned in glory my Savior King
Your lovingkindness has welcomed me
Though I'm unworthy of majesty
You wrap the lowly in royalty

CHORUS

**I will lay my crowns down at Your feet
You are holy, holy
I will give my life as an offering
You are worthy, so worthy Lord**

VERSE 2

Here at Your altar to seek Your face
Broken and poured out without restraint
In full abandon before my King
Here I surrender my everything

CHORUS 2X

BRIDGE

Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb upon the throne
We join with all of heaven
in the everlasting song
Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb upon the throne
We join with all of heaven
in the everlasting song

CHORUS 2X

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OFFERING SONG

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 420 “Christ, the Life of All the Living”

- 1 Christ, the life of all the living,
Christ, the death of death, our foe,
Who, Thyself for me once giving
To the darkest depths of woe:
Through Thy suff’rings, death, and merit
I eternal life inherit.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee
Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,
O Thou sinless Son of God!
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver
From the bonds of sin forever.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 3 Thou hast borne the smiting only
That my wounds might all be whole;
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,
Rest to give my weary soul;
Yea, the curse of God enduring,
Blessing unto me securing.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 4 Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,
Treating Thee with shameful scorn
And with piercing thorns
they crowned Thee.

- All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,
That as Thine Thou mightest own me
And with heav’nly glory crown me.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
That from pain I might be free;
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
Thence I gain security;
Comfortless Thy soul did languish
Me to comfort in my anguish.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion,
Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented
That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden,
I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry,
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

LSB 425 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (in hymnal)

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

All praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, our King divine, for Your great deliverance of all by the sacrifice of Your own life on the cross, bringing the forgiveness of our sins to us now in Your precious body and blood. As You humbled Yourself, becoming obedient to the point of death, grant that we have the same mind, that we hold fast to the Word of life and serve You with thanksgiving and praise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG “Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”

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

PRE-CHORUS

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

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

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

CHORUS

PRE-CHORUS 2X

CHORUS 2X

	8:30 am	11:00 am	
Children's Message	Kiara Studer	Kiara Studer	Prayer Support Team Joel and Jeanine Helms Sound & Tech Crew 1 st : Heather M. & Peter L. 2 nd : Justin P. & Bryce G March Altar Guild 8:30 am Martha Greene & Kathryn Wilmoth 11:00 am Edith Walker March Offering Counters Stephanie Hanson & Lori Allen
Elder	Susan Roby	Joel Helms	
Acolyte	Abraham Allen	TBD	
Ushers	Stephanie Hanson Scott Hausman	James Carpenter Mark Salsieder	
Communion	Mike Rush Bill Hufnagle	Lary Schulhof Joel Helms	
Lector	Susan Roby	Peter Renner	

ROAD TO RESURRECTION

The Easter Event for Everyone APRIL 1, 2026 3:30 - 5:30pm **Road to Resurrection Volunteer sign up**

This family-friendly event gets families talking... and walking with Jesus →
 Volunteers are needed to help in various areas. Sign up with the QR code or contact the sc
 Props are also needed. For more information:

Contact: Shari Reaves - sreaves@elcsmail.org - 828-674-9234 or Emily Leatherwood - admissions@elcsmail.org



CATERED EASTER BREAKFAST Please join us for Easter breakfast in the Fellowship Hall 8:00 am to 10:30 am. See the sign up sheets online for helping and/or bringing treats

Helpers



Food



You can ALWAYS call or email the church office to sign up!

THRIVENT MEMBERS

Thrivent clients with membership: Remember to direct Choice Dollars® before March 31 to support Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School. Visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

Sacred Communion Values

As baptized Christians, having received instruction in the Holy Sacrament; our precious Savior and Lord Jesus Christ invites us to His Holy Meal in which we receive the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. Before we receive the Holy Sacrament, we should:

- a) Examine our relationship with God & others according to the Ten Commandments;
- b) Truly repent of our sins and seek forgiveness in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord;
- c) Faithfully believe God's Word which teaches us that in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive the true body and blood of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ;
- d) By the working of the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, commit our life as a redeemed disciple of Jesus Christ through thought, word, and deed.



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Weekly Calendar

Monday, March 30:
Tuesday, March 31:
Wednesday, April 1:
1:30pm Women’s Bible Study
3:30pm Road to Resurrection (School Gym and Courtyard)
Thursday, April 2:
6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 3:
12:00pm Good Friday Service
6:30pm Good Friday Service
Saturday, April 4:
Sunday, April 5:
7:00am Easter Sunrise Service
8:00am -10:30am Drop-in Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
9:00am Easter Service
10:15am Easter Egg Hunt in Courtyard (or gym if rain)
11:00am Easter Service

Upcoming Member Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS

3/30 Lula Meulenberg
3/31 Helen Cline
4/2 Barry Reiling
4/2 Anitta Charlson
4/3 Rebecca Stackhouse Bergman
4/4 Chris Zurofsky
4/5 Mark Edmiston
4/5 Patricia Frazier
4/5 Kay Thorp

ANNIVERSARIES

3/30
Justin & Heather Hodges

Last Sunday’s Attendance & Stats

In-person Services: 8:30am - 81 11:00am - 81
Online: Website: 24 FB: 11

Wednesday Lent:

Noon: 27 6:30: 15 FB and Website: 17

ELC Grab-N-Go Food Pantry

March 22, 2026
164 Households, 652 Individuals served
God Provided!

Previous Week’s Offerings

General Offering Received:\$ 11309.40
Building Funds Received: \$ 25.00
*Weekly Offering Budget: \$ (13173.00)

CHURCH STAFF:

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak
Director of Christian Education: Alexi Lundquist
Parish Administrator: Dirk Wilmoth
Business Administrator: Gail Thomas
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Kevin Lorenz, Rich Baldwin, Lisa Baldwin, Joel Helms,
Doug Piercy, Heather Renner, Wayne Samuel

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Principal/STEAM: Mark Edmiston
Admin. Assistant: Shari Reaves
Asst. Principal/MS English: Denise Ball
Director of Admissions: Emily Leatherwood
Kindergarten: Kim Noel & Jamie Wertham
First Grade: Kerry Stead & Mackenzie Knapp
Second Grade: Leigh Weaver & Annie Jacobsen
Third Grade/Curriculum Coordinator: Kiara Studer
Fourth Grade: Chelsey Towery
Fifth Grade: Emily Lundquist
MS Science: Leigh Conner
MS Math: Jenelle Lanham
MS Social Studies: Mindy Stackhouse
PE/Athletic Director: Jennifer Jenkins “Coach J”
Art: Tammy Reilly
Music & Spanish: A.L. Brown

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION:

Director: Nicole Loria
Admin Assist: Carolyn Mashburn
Younger Infants: Paula Jones and Rachel Bishop
Older Infants: Becky Swatzell & Hydeia Beck
Toddlers 1: Lindsey Smathers & Kayla Greene
Toddler2: Neesie Castillo & Heather Hensley
PS2: Veronica Milner & Sydney Kerr
PS-2/3: Amy Bair & Julia Chambers
PS3: Maranda Rice & Jasmine Riddle
PS3/4: Robin Rutherford & DeAsia Little
PreK-1: Madison Peach & Cleo Green
PreK-2: Faith Noell & Crystal McCormick
Floating Aid: Felicia Norton

March 29, 2026

“Gathering Crowds”

John 12:12-19

We _____; we _____; we try to escape it.
 But it can only be _____.
 This is why Lazarus was such a curiosity.
 He’s been the other side.
 This is why large crowds gather

I. Word Spreads _____

- A. John _____
1. Word about _____ spreads like wildfire
 2. Every time Jesus performed a _____, healed a sick person, or taught with authority, word spread
- B. Some crowds gathered to _____ against Jesus
1. John _____
 2. The _____ Memorial in Washington, DC
 - a. _____ on a wall; _____ in stone
 - b. Flowers placed; _____ shared; and then one day it will just be a _____ on a wall

II. _____ is Not the End

- A. Just ask _____
1. Hebrews _____
 2. Families are taken _____ by grief and sadness
 - a. Jesus came into the world to show us that Satan’s grasp of fear is _____
 - b. The _____... the _____ tomb...the Resurrection
- B. Jesus conquers _____
1. The boy in _____; the _____ of a dead girl
 2. Lazarus lay in the tomb _____ days
 - a. Was this _____?
 - b. John _____
- C. Little has _____
1. Why are you here in the _____?
 2. What is that you _____?
 - a. We seek _____ in the face of death
 - b. We seek _____ beyond this life

- III. So the _____ Gather
- A. Riding o the back side of a donkey is _____ incarnate
1. Hope from sins _____ and sins _____
 2. Hope from the power of the _____
 3. Hope in the face of _____
- B. And so the crowds _____ and wave palm branches and spread cloaks because Jesus offers _____ when death _____
- C. So why have you _____?
1. There is only one right _____
 2. We come to _____ Jesus
 - a. We come to worship the One who brings _____ and _____ and _____ to our lives
 - b. We come to worship the one who _____ death for you and me
- D. Karl Barth: “Our position is such that we can be _____ from eternal death and translated into life only be the total and _____ substitution which God Himself undertakes on our

The cross was before Jesus waiting at the end of the road strewn with _____ branches and cloaks.

His _____ was troubled. But it was for this reason He came - the Son of Man must be lived up on the cross for only then would Satan’s grasp of fear on the hearts of men be shattered.





Prayer List

March 29, 2026

These are people in need of prayers this week. "Lord Jesus we commend into Your hands the needs of people that go through challenges of many kinds. You know their joys, troubles, illnesses, and fears. We now commend them to You."

PRAYERS FOR THE BEREAVED:

- The Lorenz family and friends - Kevin's step-father, Loran Hicks, passed away 3/16

PRAYERS FOR GOOD HEALTH, SWIFT HEALING, & FAVOR:

- * **Ken Treadway - Ken's health is declining. Please pray for strength and peace and comfort for Ken and Carol**
- * **John Jennejahn - knee replacement surgery 4/20**
- * **Pastor Jim and Becky Swartzell - (Pre-school employee) Pastor Jim's blood pressure is high and guidance and timing of a possible household move**
- **Leon Dejournet (friend of D.Meyer) Leon has head trauma from a skiing accident**
- **Heather Restiano (wife of D.Charlson's co-worker) Cancer possibly spread to her liver/ Surgery next week**
- Nolie Robishaw (Jennejahn's granddaughter in MD) She is 9, diabetic, celiac and now has covid and the flu
- Louise Minium (friend M.Hufnagle) she is having fainting spells and health issues
- Lee Mullins - (A.Bair's brother) Lee is in the hospital ... trying to get his medication right
- Martha Papp - (Rush's close friend) Recovering from fall and hospitalization
- * Peg & Gerry Hardesty- Peg is out of rehab and home with Gerry. Prayers for continued healing
- Joanne Fritch (close friend of SPruett) having an MRI and Colonoscopy for a mass on liver
- Joyce Meyer (DMeyer mother) Thanksgiving prayers for a successful heart surgery and continue prayers for healing
- Highland (S.Rauschenplat granddaughter) Thanksgiving prayers that her knee is healing after surgery and continued prayers for total healing
- * Carol Hausman (S.Hausman's mom) had a heart attack. Pray for her ongoing recovery.
- Sean O'Brien family (Friend of B.Allen)Please prayer for daughter, Ruthie's full recovery.
- * Carol Treadway - Prayers for a speedy recovery after a fall
- * Judy Stoltenberg - Recovering from colon surgery
- Baby Hazel (JThomas friend's baby) born at 28 weeks. Hazel is doing well and may go home in a few weeks
- Natalie Hanrahan (S. Hanson's granddaughter) prayers for God to show her clarity
- Ann Bolinsky - (Bair's BIL's mom) 85yo with dementia recently fell /is struggling with rehab
- Gary Pursley - (N.Pursley's brother) pray for God to soften his heart for Jesus and for salvation
- Sarah Nix—(Hufnagle's daughter) - prayers as she continues to heal from 2 strokes.
- Linda & Ken Tilley - (DGordon's parents) mom is recovering from cancer and dad is losing sight
- * Eugene Edwards - Healing from gout and kidney issues
- Camille Sawyer (friend of S.Edwards) autoimmune deficiency issues
- * Sharon Norris - physical therapy for injured back
- * McKenzie - (S&B Parker's daughter) for health & well-being
- * Keith Novak -Kidney issues

HEALING SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK:

"Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:1618)

Dear Jesus, You are the great physician of body and soul. Come to those who are experiencing cancer and bring healing to their bodies. Use the gifts of medicine and doctors to work Your healing power. Lift their spirits and enable them to trust in You during this difficult time. Let them cast all their cares upon You for You care for them. For their families and caregivers, be their Encourager and Helper. Thank you, Jesus, Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH LONGTERM ILLNESSES & CONDITIONS:

- * Harold Neuenkirchen
- * Ken Treadway
- * Lorenzo Lopez
- * Peg Hardesty
- * Jim Clark
- * Steve Taylor
- * Mary Hufnagle
- * Sharon Pruett
- * Emily Nieting
- * Cynthia Cline
- * Helen Cline
- * Marjorie Locke
- * Julia Kearley
- * C.J. Reece
- * Mike Fastenau
- * Ray Bailey
- Linda Poppenhagen
- Rev. Mark Spelzhausen (J. Gibney, friend)
- Donna Logeman (E.Lundquist, mother)
- Nancy Hutchins (G. Bailey, friend)
- Ann Downs (K. Emory, mother)
- Ann Melious (McCarthy family)
- Carol Harris (S.Ude's friend)
- Robin Worley (J.Kearley's friend)
- Chris Alstrin (L.Schulhof, friend)
- Ron Riddle (B. King, friend)
- Erin Y. (J. Thomas, friend)
- Ralph Ector, Jr & Sr (S.Edwards, family)
- Tyrone Ayres (S. Edwards, friend)
- Lynn White (S. Edwards, cousin)
- Randy Booker (J. Kearley, brother-in-law)
- Todd Sluder (C. Piercy, friend)
- Mary Walker (D. Meyer, aunt)
- Brandon Talofuse, Newton Crave (E.Bailey)
- Cynthia Bright - (C.Brucker's friend)
- Barbara Haseley - (Lopez mom/grandmom) Cancer
- Alice & Dawn -(J.Kearley friends) both w/cancer
- Ron Gill - (D.Meyer friend) Cancer
- Nicole - (S. Rauschenplat fam) cancer
- Mac O'Shields - Cancer
- Jennie Buckner - (C.Cline friend) cancer & COPD
- Patty & Newt Etheridge (D.Meyer friends) cancer
- Zeb Dowdle (N. Black (friend) Needs kidney transplant
- Jonah Lewis - healing after stroke
- Rev. Dr. John Groh - (D.Groh's bro.) healing after a stroke
- Craig Dayton (Parker's fam)stroke & 2y battle w/cancer

PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS

K. Ray Bailey	Marjorie Locke	Isabelle Hempel
Teenie Smathers	Helen Cline	Andre & Lori Benson
Ken & Carol Treadway	Cleta McCall	Gerry & Peg Hardesty
Jim & Judy Clark		