

† PALM SUNDAY †
April 10, 2022

Evening Service of Holy Communion 5:30 p.m.
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PRELUDE All Glory, Laud and Honor Kenneth Kosche

(Please rise and face the back of the sanctuary)

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 118)*

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

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P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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PALM PROCESSIONAL All Glory, Laud, and Honor (v. 1-3) LSB **Hymn 442**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray: God our Savior, Your Son Jesus Christ entered into Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die. Bless these palms and palm crosses, that they may be for us signs of His Passion, death, resurrection, and return to glory.

C **By Your Holy Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who confess Jesus as Lord and follow Him with lives of humble service; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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GOSPEL (*Congregation rising*)

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HYMN OF THE DAY

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

LSB Hymn 443

READING OF THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

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PREFACE (*Congregation rising*)

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C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heed the testimony of Your Son in true faith and take to heart the Words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee and pledge of His salvation. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SIGN OF PEACE

P 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 covenant 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."

P Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

C Lord, have mercy and grant us Your peace.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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DISTRIBUTION

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CLOSING HYMN

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

LSB **Hymn 441**

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Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

Kevin Hildebrand

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Participants in the Services:

Lector Larry Cosentino

Passion Reading Deacon Intern Kristin Pimentel
Deacon Intern Anton DeRosa

Sexton Sofia Renzo

Service of Holy Communion 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.

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PALM PROCESSIONAL

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(9:00) CHERUB CHOIR ANTHEMS

Ho-Ho-Ho Hosanna/March on Little Donkey

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RESPONSORY (*Congregation rising*)

(*from Zechariah 9*)

P Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!

C Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!

P See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation,

C gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

P He will proclaim peace to the nations.

C His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

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(9:00) CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

On Humble Beast

Hal Hopson

On humble beast now rides the King this day among the palms.

The people shout, the children sing their praise to Him in psalms,

*Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
He comes in peace and majesty, His purpose to proclaim.
In triumph now He passes by, Hosanna to His name...
He knows those praises soon will fade,
and there will be shouts of "Crucify!" from lips of evil men.
Will I betray Him? Or will I crown Him King?
He reigns today to free us all from ev'ry sin and wrong.
Lift high your palms in praise to Him, and sing the triumph song...*

(9:00) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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OFFERTORY (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn 422)

On my heart imprint Your image, blessed Jesus, King of grace,
that life's riches, cares, and pleasures never may Your work erase.
Let the clear inscription be: "Jesus, crucified for me"
is my life, my hope's foundation, and my glory and salvation!

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PREFACE

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P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of humanity by the tree of the cross, that where death arose, there life also might rise again, and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise be overcome by the tree of the cross. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

♪SANCTUS

(LSB Page 161)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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♪AGNUS DEI

(LSB Page 163)

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

My Song is Love Unknown

LSB Hymn 430

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	9:00	10:45
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Passion Reading	Deacon Intern Kristin Pimentel Deacon Intern Anton DeRosa	
Usher Team	Ralph Schoene John Divi	Skip Hansen Kathy Coffey
Sexton	Sofia Renzo	
Refreshments	Story Family	

Health & Safety Precautions: Thank you for helping us care for each other.

- If you are feeling unwell or have been exposed to or tested positive for Covid-19, please join us virtually (VLC-NY.org, YouTube, Facebook)
- Feel free to move if you are uncomfortable with the proximity of a fellow worshipper
- Masks are optional but strongly recommended for anyone at risk of illness

News and Notes:

Atlantic District Lay Deacon Program Update: Congratulations to our local students who completed their pre-internship interviews on Saturday, April 2, 2022. The following members are now serving as Lay Deacon Interns in our congregation: Kristin Pimentel, Larry Cosentino, Andrea Ansorge, and Anton (Tony) DeRosa. Please keep them in your prayers and give them a spiritual shout-out. We are proud of them!

Easter Breakfast Volunteers Needed! Can you help us welcome guests and make a special celebration for Easter? We are looking for several people to bring food prior to the 9:00 a.m. service. Suggested items include: ham, quiche, Easter eggs, deviled eggs, muffins, bagels, donuts, coffee cake, hot cross buns; fruit such as tangerines, grapes; orange juice, milk/half & half, apple juice. If possible, pre-package items individually before dropping off in the kitchen. We also have "clam shell" containers. **Please sign up today** on the bulletin board sign-up sheet in the MPR or by the church exit doors, or contact Nelly Palumbo at npalumbo@thechapelschool.org

- ❖ Additional volunteers needed for set-up from 8 am to 10 am, servers during the breakfast (between services), or clean-up after the breakfast. Please let Nelly (cell - 347-538-2909) know how you can help.

Holy Week Worship: We encourage you to be here for each of these unique services as we follow our Lord's journey to the cross and celebrate His resurrection from the dead.

- ❖ **Maundy Thursday, April 14** (7:30 p.m.) – Sung Service of Evening Prayer with choral music and celebration of the Lord's Supper
- ❖ **Good Friday, April 15** (12 & 7:30 p.m.) – Tenebrae Service
- ❖ **Easter Sunday Weekend, April 16-17** – Festival worship all weekend (please note that Saturday is a full Easter service, not a vigil)

Women's Bible Study/LWML – Please join us on **Holy Saturday, April 16**, at 9:00 a.m. We will finish a discussion of three examples of faith using John 4:43-54, Luke 4:14-30 and 5:1-11. If time allows, we will also start a discussion of the Sermon on the Mount. Please also bring your donations for the ingathering at the Atlantic District LWML to support the Lutheran Care Center at Concord Village. For more information, contact Deacon Wendy at 914-391-9356 or Terry Vidal (terry.n.vidal@gmail.com).

SOUP KITCHEN – Third Wednesday of the month. Aluminum trays are available at the Reception Desk. Volunteers prepare food in the trays and drop off in the parking lot from 12:00-1:00. The next date is **Wednesday, April 20**. Please sign up in advance to confirm your contribution. For more information, contact Nelly Palumbo at NPalumbo@thechapelschool.org or 347-538-2909.

Lay Deacon Blessing: Janet George has completed her internship and will be blessed as an Atlantic District Lay Deacon on **Saturday, April 23 at 5:30 p.m.** Preacher for the day will be Rev. Victor Belton (our 2022 Rehm Pastor in

Residence). There will also be a cookie reception following the service. Commissioned Ministers, Lay Deacons and Pastors are invited to vest and process. Color of the day is white.

PTO BOOK FAIR: Come on by! Open shopping available on **Sunday, April 24**, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. We also have e-wallet set up on our website <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/chapelschoolpto>

Summer Program Open House: Now is the time to explore and make plans for summer activities. Families are welcome to attend an open house on **Sunday, April 24, from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Prayer Conference Call: We invite you to join in prayer for the needs of our community on **Tuesday, April 26, at 6:00 p.m.** Simply dial (1) 732-434-3982. The conference call consists of a brief form of evening prayer as well as prayers for specific needs. If you want to include a prayer request, please contact the church office at 914-337-0207, x1003 or KRapillo@VLC-NY.org

New Rehm Lecture Series: VLC is pleased to welcome Rev. Victor Belton for the inaugural Merlin and Lois Rehm Pastoral Residency Lecture on **Wednesday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary. Join us in person or virtually at VLC-NY.ORG and the church's Facebook and YouTube channels. Pastor Belton will also be preaching at all services on the weekends of April 23-24 and April 30-May 1.

Gathering of Friends "Gala Knight" Celebration: This year's event will be held on **Friday, April 29**, at the Reception Hall of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in New Rochelle. Attendees are encouraged to dress in period medieval costumes as we come together for cocktails, dinner, and a chance to win fabulous prizes, all to raise much needed funds for our school and church community. For tickets and benefactor information, please go to Gathering-of-Friends.org.

Evangelism Workshop – Save the Date! Our Clarity Plan invites us to learn best practices to share our faith with those we love who may not have a relationship with Christ or have a church home. Or friends, co-workers, peers, or neighbors who just want to talk about important faith issues. Pastor Hartwell invites you to a one-night workshop on evangelism, **Tuesday, May 24 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.** Zoom Video Call or Zoom Conference Call. For more information, call 914-337-0207 (1003) or email VLCMAIL@VLC-NY.ORG.

Music Ministry: Please note the special schedule for Holy Week:

- **Village Belles** - Rehearse Wednesday, April 13, at 6:00 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 17, at 10:15 a.m.
- **Youth Choir** – Rehearse Easter Sunday, April 17, at 8:30 a.m.
- **Chancel Choir** - Rehearse Maundy Thursday, April 14, at 7:00 p.m.; Good Friday, April 15, at 7:15 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 17, at 8:40 a.m.
- **High School Choir** – Rehearse Palm Sunday, April 10, at 10:15 a.m.; Easter Sunday, April 17, at 8:30 a.m.

For more information, contact Deb Reiss at DReiss@VLC-NY.org or George Heath at GHeath@VLC-NY.org.

Wednesday Bible Study - Gather in Friendship Room starting at 10:45 a.m.; study begins at 11:00 a.m. On April 13, we will be looking at Philippians 3.

Youth News: Voyagers (Grades 3-6) will meet on Thursday, April 21, at 6:00 p.m. **Donuts & Discussion** (High School) will meet on Sundays, April 10 and 24. For more information, contact Erika Schultz at tyandbash@aol.com; Sarah Nunes (Confirmation instructor) at SNunes@VLC-NY.ORG; or Amy Heath (High School Youth) at amyheath1023@gmail.com

Youth Tag Sale – We want your stuff! As the saying goes, “One person’s trash is another person’s treasure.” If you are downsizing, spring cleaning, or just want to de-clutter, please set aside your items for the youth-sponsored tag sale to be held later this spring. If you have any questions, contact Amy Heath at 914-439-3839 or amyheath1023@gmail.com

Prayer Line: We pray for the sick and those experiencing any kind of difficulty: John Accocella, Ray Bozan, Flora Caivano, Walter Cerfontaine, Lynn Ciano, Barbara Clark, Frank Clark, Rev. Rudy DeRosa, Gail Epstein, Monique Galloway, Hans Gesund, Michelle Ghiorso, Ben Hartwell, Nancy Hylton, Mike Knuth, Deacon Joe Lamoureux, Merline Leon, Eugene Lunog, Janet Lunog, Frank Lyman, Betty Jean Manister, Gloria Mayer, Jerry Melvin, Maria Perriello, Louise Podszus, Sylvia Puig, Cherlynn Puma, Hilda Qualetero, Willi Rosendahl, John & Sandy Scaramuzzo, Lesley Shigesake, Cindy Tether, Kate Bauer Thomas, Grant & Paxton Thomas, Bill Vogt

Bereavement Prayer Line: We pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

- † **David Ollivierre**, colleague of Christopher Clark, who passed away on March 30, 2022
- † **Keith Hough**, friend of Kathy Coffey, who passed away on March 30, 2022
- † **Janet Hillmann Cramer**, former teacher and youth minister at VLC/TCS, who passed away on March 27, 2022
- † **Dominick Accocella**, nephew of Barbara Accocella, who passed away on March 25, 2022
- † **Gloria Quinn**, friend of Yvonne Palladino, who passed away on March 24, 2022
- † **James Darden**, member of the Atlantic District Board of Directors, who passed away on March 22, 2022

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