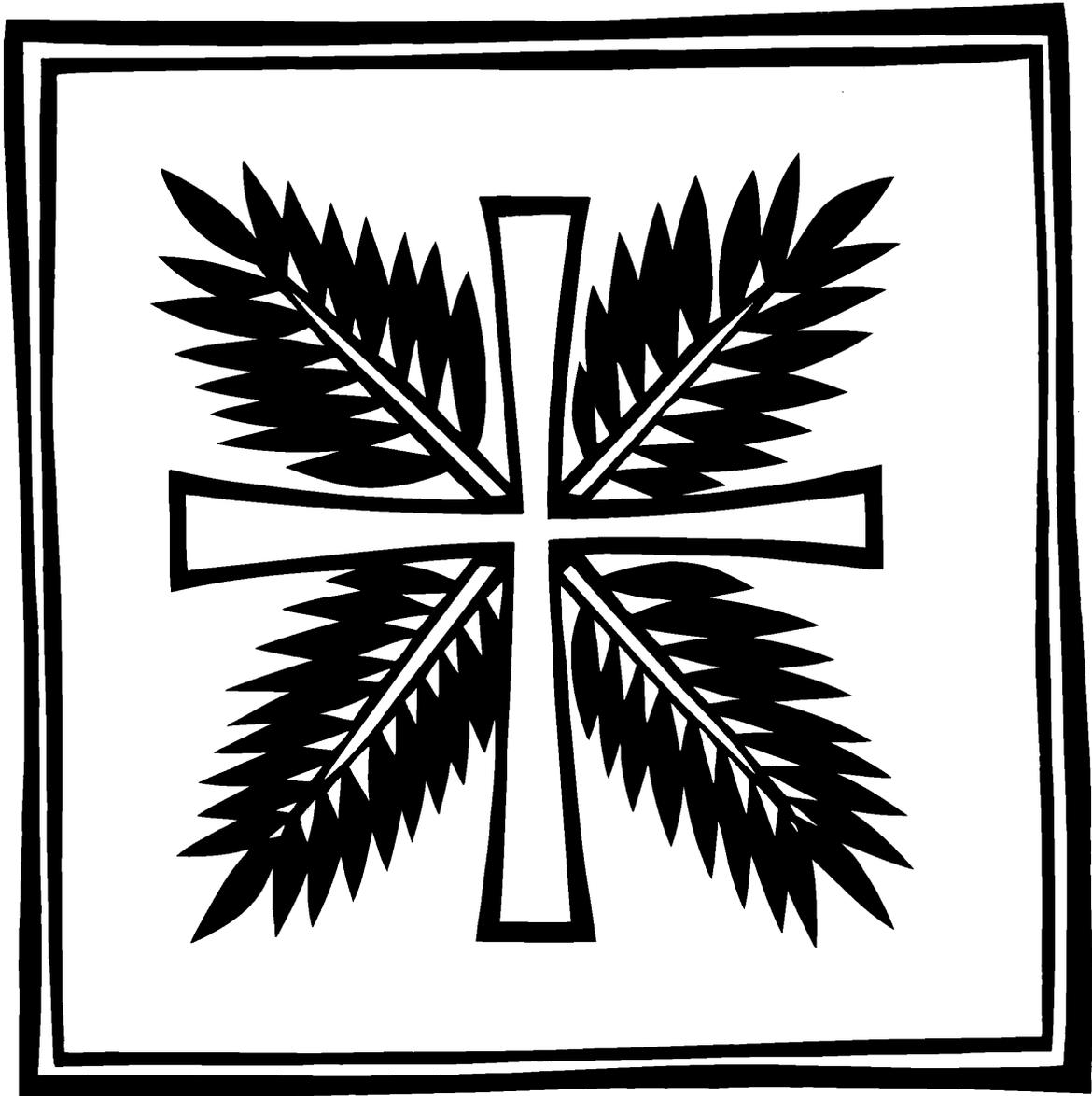


Palm Sunday



WNY Church Unleashed

March 28, 2021

*Welcome to WNY Church Unleashed hosted by:
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rev. Steve Biegner
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Zion Lutheran Church, Rev. Julius Carroll*

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*Future services will be recorded and aired on YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV.
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For DirecTV: Ch. 67; For Cable, Fios, and Dish: Ch. 5; For "Rabbit Ears": Ch. 67-1*

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who is present, who gives life, who gives us this gift of Lent.

C Amen.

P If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet you promised forgiveness, and so we confess.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

P Receive good news: God turns to you in love. "I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you.

C Amen.

Opening Hymn: LBW 108

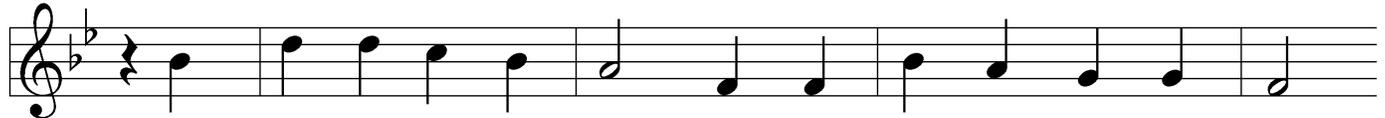
All Glory, Laud, and Honor



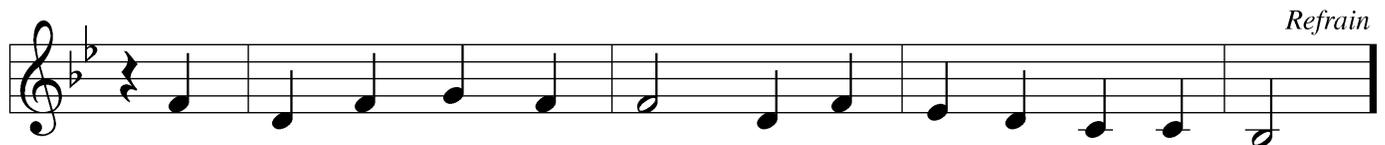
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



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 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals 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.
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760-821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635

Children's Time

Psalm 31:9-16

P Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

C **For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.**

P I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

C **I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.**

P For I hear the whispering of many – terror all around! – as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

C **But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."**

P My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

C **Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.**

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 11th Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Processional Gospel: Mark 11:1-11 Jesus enters Jerusalem

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain
watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!"

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Youth Time

Apostle's Creed

A Let's join to proclaim our faith in the Apostles' Creed:

C 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

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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 And now as you go on your way, may the Lord go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...

C Amen.

Sharing the Peace and Sending

P Go in peace, remember the poor, and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Dismissal: Stripping of the altar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: March 28-April 4, 2021

- TODAY:** 10:00 am: In-Person Worship and Communion
10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:40 am: Zoom Half-Hour (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84667134122>)
Meeting ID: 846 6713 4122
10:30 am: New Missionary Meeting
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope
- Tuesday:** 10:00 am: Bible Study
7:00 pm: Lenten Adult Forum via Zoom
- Wednesday:** 12:30 pm: Staff Meeting via Zoom
- Thursday: Maundy Thursday**
3:00 pm-6:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
3:00 pm-6:00 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Community Meal Share
7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday Zoom Service
- Friday: Good Friday**
12:00 pm: WNY Church Unleashed Service: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
7:00 pm: In-Person Good Friday Service
- Sunday: Easter**
6:30 am: Easter Sunrise Service Outside St. Paul's
8:00 am: In-Person Worship and Communion
9:15 am: In-Person Worship and Communion
10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:30 am: In-Person Worship and Communion
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

Attendance last week: YouTube/Facebook/MeTV: 200+ In-Person: 34 Offering: \$4,664.00

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Marion Alexander: Tennyson Court, #127 in Memory Care Unit, Williamsville, NY 14221

Neal DeLeo: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031

Claire Franke: Elderwood, 225 Bennett Road, #223, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Christopher Magin: 22 Dale Drive, Tonawanda, NY 14150

Dorothy Menth: 2330 Maple Road, Apt. 383, Williamsville, NY 14221

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

Mary Elizabeth Stewart: 69 Washington Highway, Amherst, NY 14226

David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14032

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Shirley McNamara (Nancy Simon's sister); Ralph Vahue; Pastor Bill Vanderslice (Marilyn Emerson's son-in-law); Thomas Maier; Carol Becker and Twyla (David Lampe's cousin and her daughter)

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: We resumed Sunday in-person worship beginning at 10:00 am. As we previously handled in-person worship, reservations are requested if you plan to attend any of the in-person services. You will still need to wear face masks, maintain limited capacity in the sanctuary, and adhere to current Covid-19 protocols. Please contact the Church Office at 716-835-0407 to make your reservation. If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as WNY Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

Covid-19 Restrictions: While zone designations (yellow, orange, red) remain in various areas, we ask that you not stop by the Church Office unannounced. If you need to come to the office or meet with Pastor Steve, please call ahead and make an appointment (716-835-0407). This way we can continue to keep you and our staff safe during this difficult time.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. The April Pantry hours are Thursday 4/1, 4/15, and 4/29 from 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm, and Saturday 4/10 and 4/24 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Donations for April are: canned fruit and canned vegetables.



Holy Week Schedule

Thursday, April 1, Maundy Thursday: 7:00 pm: Zoom Worship Service *

Friday, April 2, Good Friday: 12:00 pm: WNY Church Unleashed Service *
7:00 pm: In-Person Worship **

Sunday, April 4, Easter:
6:30 am: Sunrise Service Outdoors at St. Paul's
8:00 am: In-Person Worship **
9:15 am: In-Person Worship **
10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed *
10:30 am: In-Person Worship **

**** Link will be sent at a later date***

***** Reservations required for in-person worship services. Please contact the Church Office at 716-835-0407 to make reservations.***

Parkside Lutheran Church Announcements - March 28th, 2021

At Parkside we are rediscovering the radical love of Jesus -

Gathering All, Serving All, Caring for All

2 Wallace Ave Buffalo, NY 14214 (corner of Depew)

(716)836-1361 parksidelutheran@gmail.com

There are 3 ways to watch the recorded Service 10am Sundays:

1) Watch on your TV: Station METV - channel 5 on Cable, Fios & Dish or channel 67 on DirecTV

2) WNY Unleashed Facebook Page 3) WNY Unleashed YouTube Page

Indoor Worship at Parkside Lutheran Church continues with masks and social distancing

Important Dates:

3/28 - Palm Sunday & 1st Communion

4/1 - 7pm Maundy Thursday - on Zoom with communion

(Please have bread and wine/grape juice with you at home)

PARKSIDE ZOOM LINK <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7168361361>

4/2 - Good Friday MeTV/Online @Noon You can watch on Channel 5 or 67 at Noon.

Or watch at a later time on Facebook and Youtube at WNY Church Unleashed.

And/or: Good Friday In Person Worship 7pm - Tenebrae Service

4/4 - Easter Sunday - In Person Worship - Registration Required:

Easter Sunday Early 4/4 @8:30AM

Please RSVP at <https://rsvp.church/r/m6YsuowB>

Easter Sunday Late 4/4 @10AM

Please RSVP at <https://rsvp.church/r/m6YsuowB>

Lenten Collection - We are collecting **menstrual care items** (pads, tampons) for distribution to those in need in our community. Please arrange with office to drop off. Or you may send a check or donate at parksidelutheran.org via Tithely. Please make a notation that your donation is for menstrual care items. We also have a wish list on Amazon:

<https://tiny.cc/PLCWISHLIST>

North Buffalo Food Pantry Hours are Saturday 9am-1pm - enter on Depew. Donations can be dropped off at the Pantry during regular Pantry hours or call the office to arrange drop off.

March request - Crackers, tuna fish & toilet paper April -Canned Fruit & Crackers

Backup volunteers are needed. Contact the office if you are interested in helping on the *occasional* Saturday for 3 hours.

Nonperishable food items can also be left in our little red "**Blessing Box**". Please only leave foods that can withstand freezing temps, such as granola bars, peanut butter, crackers, etc.

Meals on Wheels Parkside LC location is in great need of volunteers - if you can help 2 or 3 mornings during the week for an hour or two, please contact the office.

 **Burrito Project** - Every fourth Tuesday of the month, volunteers from Parkside hand out Burritos in Downtown Buffalo. We also distribute hats, scarfs, gloves, and masks! Donations will be collected now until spring. Contact the office if you'd like to arrange for drop-off or if you'd like to help hand out burritos! Next date is April 27th.

Prayer Tree:

Congregation: Cheryl Kinsman as she recovers from covid19; Tanya Scaccia, family & friends, as they mourn the passing of Tanya's mother, Priscilla Jane Scott ; The Hagner Family, including Lorri's father, Gary B., who has been very ill; Joan Bauer, who is recovering from Covid19.

Friends & Family: Joan's son, Donald Railey who is facing multiple health challenges; Family and friends of Ellen Mandris as they mourn her passing.

We offer our prayers for the church, the world & all people in need.

If you would like to add to the prayer list or share good news, please contact the office.

Parkside For Social Justice -March Update - Recent petitions at church have focused prayers on the issues of domestic violence and violence against women. Since the beginning of the pandemic there has been a deeply disturbing spike in incidents of hatred and violence against Asians and Asian Americans in this country. This past week's horrific shootings in Atlanta of 8 people including 6 of women of Asian descent further intensify fear and concern among Asian and Asian American communities, particularly women. Parkside for Social Justice is working to educate and raise awareness of these issues as well as condemn harassment, hatred and violence of any kind.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of domestic violence or sexual violence of any kind these are some resources that can help.

Family Justice Center: Safeline 716-558-SAFE(7233) <https://www.fjcsafe.org/>

24-Hour Erie County Domestic Violence Hotline: 716-862-HELP(4357)

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 800-656-HOPE(4673) <https://www.rainn.org>

Crisis Service: 716-834-3131 <http://crisisservices.org/>

Have a suggested resource or question about this Parkside For Social Justice?

Contact Pastor Jeremiah or Alison Smith alisonmsmith07@gmail.com. All are encouraged to sign the ELCA's Anti-Racism Pledge found here:<https://www.elca.org/racialjusticepledge>.

Want more information about all that is happening at Parkside LC?

Sign up for our weekly email

on our website - parksidelutheran.org - Like us on Facebook - Follow us on Instagram



WNY Church Unleashed is a partnership between Pastor Jeremiah Smith from Parkside Lutheran Church, Pastor Julius Carroll from Zion Lutheran Church, and Pastor Steve Biegner from St. Paul's Lutheran Church whose mission is to unleash the message of God's good news into every home in Western New York.

WNY Church Unleashed

Prayer List

Bruce Herman

Beverly Root

Neil Sommerfeldt

We would like to express our gratitude to the following individuals
who have been gifting their services to help bring you
the Sunday MeTV productions:

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Rev. Roger Griffiths

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Sound:

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