

# LORDSTOWN LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Sunday, March 24, 2024*  
*10:00AM*



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**Worship Bulletin**  
**Sunday, March 24, 2024**  
**Lordstown Lutheran Church**

Chp. Linda Weidenback —Pastor  
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Mrs. Lois Dorazio—Choir Director  
Mrs. Erica Thomas Boyles - Lectors

*We welcome you to worship with us this morning and we're glad you are here. May God bless our time together and may you feel renewed and refreshed as we celebrate God's unconditional love for the world. Thank you for joining us today and we hope you will return again soon.*

*Children's Sunday School meets on the 2nd & 4th Sundays during worship, and Children's Service project on the 5th Sunday during the School year. As a courtesy the congregation does not stand during worship unless instructed to do so.*

## **Today's Worship Theme**

This week, the center of the church's year, is one of striking contrasts: Jesus rides into Jerusalem surrounded by shouts of glory, only to be left alone to die on the cross, abandoned by even his closest friends. Mark's gospel presents Jesus in his complete human vulnerability: agitated, grieved, scared, forsaken. Though we lament Christ's suffering and all human suffering, we also expect God's salvation: in the wine and bread, Jesus promises that his death will mark a new covenant with all people. We enter this holy week thirsty for the completion of God's astonishing work.

## **Entering Into God's Presence**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE - PROCESSION OF PALMS**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray together.

**ALL: Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**AMEN**



# GATHERING HYMN vs 1, 3, & 5

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## All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*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 are 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,

*Refrain*

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 Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
 Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

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# Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**L:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.

**P: Amen**

**L:** Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**L:** Holy God,

**P: we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.**

**We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.**

**We speak in ways that silence others.**

**We are silent when we should speak up.**

**We keep score in our hearts.**

**We let hurts grow into hatred.**

**For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.**

**Amen.**

**L:** Here is a flood of grace:

Out of love for the whole world,

God draws near to us,

breaks every snare of sin,

washes away our wrongs,

and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.

**P: Amen**

# Choir Anthem - Hosanna We Sing

## God's Word for Us Today

### **First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a LECTOR**

*The image of the servant of God is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.*

4The Lord God has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

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

6I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

7The Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
8he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

9It is the Lord God who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm: Psalm 31:9-16**

## **LECTOR**

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

9Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

**10For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

11I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

**12Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;**

**I am as useless as a broken pot.**

13For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

**14But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord.**

**I have said, "You are my God.**

15My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

**16Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love."**

## **Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11**

## **LECTOR**

*Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.*

5Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

6who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

7but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

8he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

9Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

10so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel: Luke 19:28-40**

Entrance into the final days

The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke

### **Glory to you, O Lord**

28After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

29When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" 32So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. 33As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" 34They said, "The Lord needs it." 35Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. 36As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 37As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, 38saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

39Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." 40He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

### **Praise to you O Christ**

**Sermon**

**Chp. Linda Weidenbach**





## We Offer Our Prayers and Thanksgiving

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's good news of great joy for all people, we offer our prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and the world God loves.

Hear us, O God.

**"Your Mercy is great."**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: 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 SONG

#### *O Bless the Gifts*

O bless the gifts our hands have brought;  
And bless the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God, is in Your hand



### OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.  
Bless these gifts that we have gathered  
that all people may know your goodness.  
Feed us not only with this holy food  
but with hunger for justice and peace.  
We pray this in your name. **AMEN**

*Offering Plates are Located by the doors to the Sanctuary or  
You may mail your financial gifts to the church.*

*Attn: Pat Hogan*

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## Going Forth to Serve

### BLESSING

L: Beloved, we are God's own people,  
holy, washed, renewed.

God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy,  
fill you with courage, and ☩ give you peace.

**AMEN**

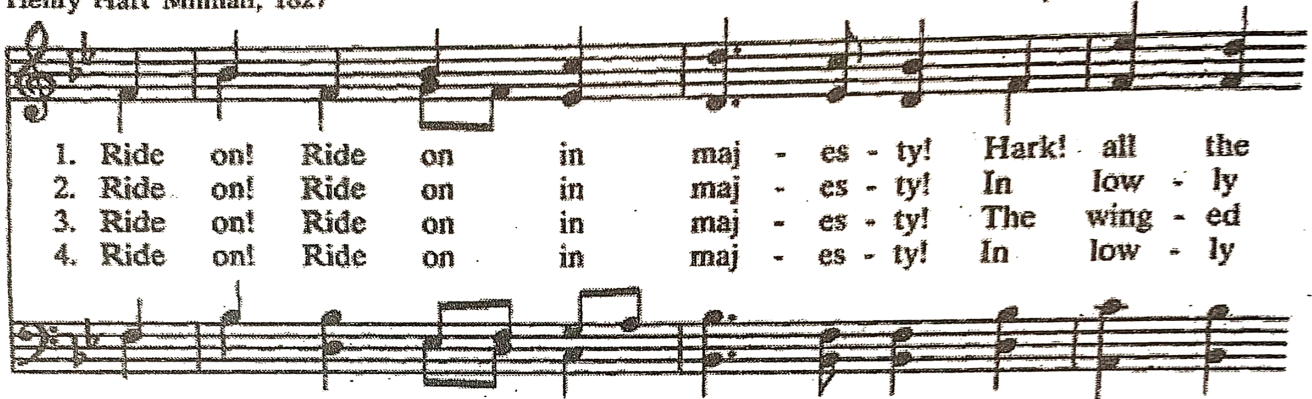
# SENDING HYMN VS ALL

## Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

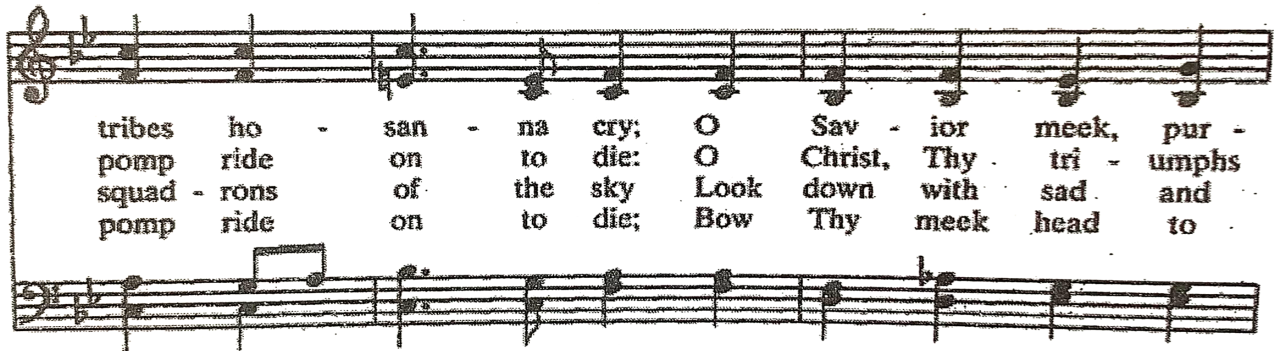
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Henry Hart Milman, 1827

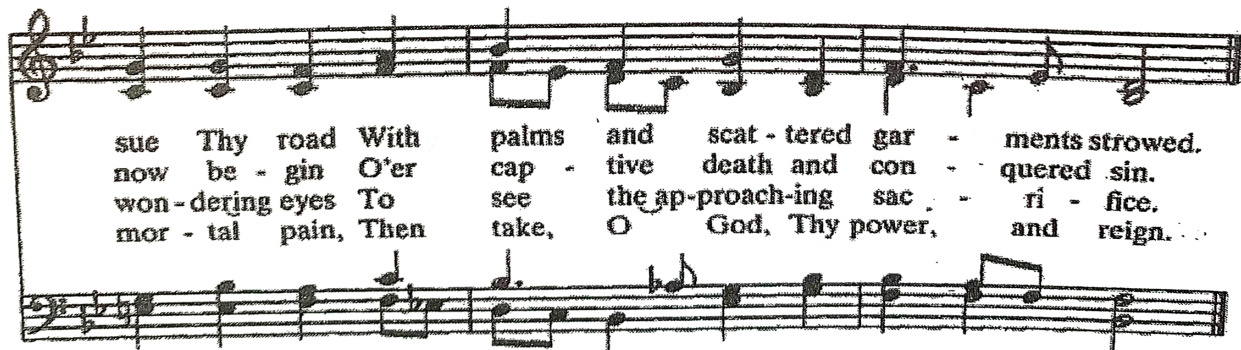
John Bacchus Dykes, 1862



1. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the  
2. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
3. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! The wing - ed  
4. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, pur -  
pomp ride on to die: O Christ, Thy tri - umphs  
squad - rons of the sky Look down with sad and  
pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
won - dering eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

### DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Share your bread.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE



## Altar Flowers

### Donated by an Anonymous Donor

To provide altar flowers for worship, please sign up on the poster in the church lobby. \$25 for one vase \$50 for two.



## PRAYER LIST & PASTORAL CONCERNS

Please keep our loved ones in your prayers this week

**In our Thoughts and Prayers:** Jean Housel joined our Lord on February 24, 2024. Please keep Jean's family in your thoughts and Prayers.

**Immediate & Ongoing Health Concerns:** Lucas Paxson, Ron Hill, Phyllis Housel, Ted Paxson, Leo Divencenzo, Tiffany Fellows, Destiny Givens, Anna Strickland, Joe Harrison, Molly and Family, Mary Sabol, Mark Molnar, Laura Paxson, Rachael Ann, Ilona Rupnik, Linda Behner, Phyllis Knox, Marilyn Davisson

**Compassion Child:** Marc Yvans.

**Active Duty Military:** Julian Krusely, Jason Layfield, Talon Brown, Kiana Gates

**Scout Troop 20 and its leaders**

**Our Monthly Mission Outreach and The Children of Lordstown Elementary School**

**World Peace:** Especially for those living in the region of Ukraine and Russia.

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TO BE ADDED OR REMOVED FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

NEXT Friday, March 29, 2024

Good Friday

First Reading: Isaiah 52:13--53:12

Psalm: Psalm 22

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:16-25

Gospel: John 18:1--19:42