

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 16, 2008 10:00 a.m.

PALM SUNDAY

PREPARATION

(to be prayed individually in silence)

"Today, O Lord, I yield myself to you. May your will be my delight today. May your will have perfect sway in me. May your love be the pattern of my living. I surrender to you my hopes, my dreams, and my ambitions. Do with them what you will, when you will, as you will. I place into your loving care my family, my friends, my future. Care for them with a care that I can never give. Through Jesus Christ, I pray. Amen."

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the friendship pad located at the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)

PRELUDE

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– *Handel*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our times are in God's hands; let us worship in confidence and trust.

All: God awakens our ears and our tongues to hear and answer God's call.

Leader: When distress and grief weigh us down, God's steadfast love is present with us.

All: God comes to us in our sorrow and pain, bringing new strength and hope.

Leader: When we are tempted to deny and betray, God does not forsake us.

All: God is here, and we are drawn to worship. God is with us; we will not fear.

***HYMN** 88 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

CALL TO CONFESSION

*All who are able may stand

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all together)

Gracious God, we praise you that on this day our Lord entered in triumph into the holy city of Jerusalem. Even as we remember how Jesus was welcomed with palms and glad shouts from the people, we remember how he was also rejected and killed by the people he loved. Forgive us, God, for hope we parade but do not pursue; for enthusiasm that fades away; for faith expressed in words but not in deeds. Forgive us and give us trust to live for justice and announce your loving kindness. Hear us as we continue to pray silently.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the Good News! God loves us. God forgives us. God accepts us.

People: **Since God has forgiven us, let us forgive one another. May the peace of forgiving and being forgiven be experienced by all of us.**

***RESPONSE** 85 *What Wondrous Love Is This vs. 1*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to one another)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (all together)

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and live always for your glory, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

FIRST READING: Luke 19:28-40

SECOND READING: Luke 19:41-48

SERMON *"The Healing Tears of Christ"* -Rev. Dr. Richard McConnell

***HYMN** 371 *Lift High the Cross*

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

CALL FOR THE OFFERING OF GIFT AND SELF

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

He's Still the King of Kings

– Gloria & William Gaither

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (all together)

In the confidence that you will multiply our best efforts, we bring our offerings for the work of your church in the world. Holy God, it is a joy to present our gifts, for we are as blessed in our giving as we have been in receiving abundant goodness from your hand. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION IN CHRIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

***HYMN** 91 *Ride on! Ride on in Majesty*

***CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** 507 *I Come With Joy" vs. 5*

POSTLUDE *Maestoso* – Engel

(The congregation treats the postlude as its closing time of worship and leaves after it is completed.)

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Guest Pastor: Rev. Dr. Richard McConnell
Guest Organist: Catherine Forman
Usher: Ron Partacz
Layreader: Janice Jones
Counters: Debbie Goggins & Kathy Saeli
Building Check: Administration & Finance
(March 23rd – Faith Education – March 30th – Worship)

SUNDAY NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all who worship here this morning. Please join us for coffee after the worship service.

Large print copies of the Order of Worship, The Hymnal and the NRSV Bible are available at the back of the church.

Phonic Ear hearing assistance program is available. Please see an usher for more details.

Prayer Request Cards, located, in your pew, are for any prayer requests you wish included in the Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer request, please annotate your request on the back of the card, then pass it to the end of the pew (whichever end is closer to you) for collection by the usher during the opening hymn. Please do not place the card in the offering plate, as the card suggests. "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6*

CHILD CARE

Infant/Toddler Nursery Care during worship is provided for your children.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bruce Barrows ♦ Nancy Hay ♦ Sue Maciejewski ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert

Family & Friends of our congregation

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ *Claudette Bapst* (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta (Janice Jones) ♦ Steve Dalin (Karen Dalin) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Lorraine Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Cathy Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Jessica Grazen (The Fischers) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed & Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ *Carolyn Halley* (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Esther Hiller (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Garrett Kensy (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Ben Klinshaw (Rita Hanna) ♦ Marguerite Kobel (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek (Marge Christmann) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Steve Milley (Leanne Wurl) ♦ Josh Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ Sandy Northem ♦ Mary Orofino (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Christopher Rutski (The Fischers) ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue Maciejewski) ♦ Patrick Weir (Sandy Pakehnam)

Service Men & Women

Chris Kalinowski ⊕ Matthew Jones ⊕ Bill Cenkner Jr. ⊕ Patrick Baskerville ⊕ Sammy Russo ⊕ Kimberly Trudeau ⊕ Steve Odebralski ⊕ Jason Zimmerman ⊕ Andrew Zalikowski ⊕ Nick Turvey ⊕ Kristen Pelc ⊕ Ben Schauss ⊕ Phillip Schott ⊕ Josh Winkler ⊕ Russell Molnar ⊕ Pat McCullough ⊕ Ryan M. Ratigan ⊕ Larry Lloyd ⊕ Joshua Feldman ⊕ Dan Dudziak ⊕ David Ferg ⊕ Zachery Goggins ⊕ Alison Lankes ⊕ Erik Brown ⊕ Rob Weiner

Each week we invite you to hold in your prayers different families and individuals in our church. As an act of faithfulness we pray for each other. This week we pray for:
The Lindak Family BJ Rustic Don & Barb Loney Karen & Wasele Sadovsky

CALENDAR

Today	- March 16	10:00 a.m.	Worship – Palm Sunday Rev. Dr. Richard McConnell preaching Celebrate articles are due
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time
Thurs.	- March 20	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship Service Elder, Richard Jones preaching
Sun.	- March 23	10:00 a.m.	Worship - Easter Sunday Elder, Richard Jones preaching
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time

CHURCH NEWS NOTES

2008 phone directory: There is a copy of a new phone directory in the back of church. Please be sure to take a moment to review your information and make any corrections necessary.

EASTER PLANT SALE

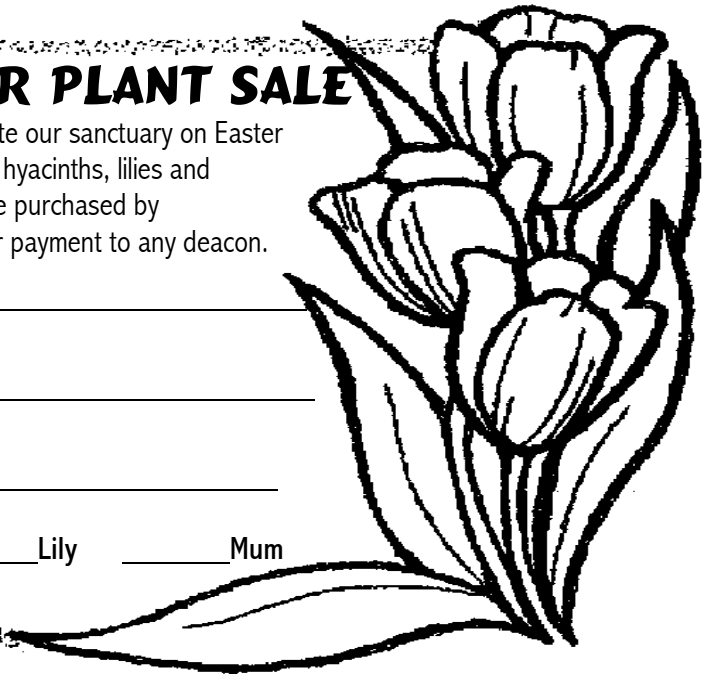
The Deacons are selling Plants to decorate our sanctuary on Easter morning. The group will be selling tulips, hyacinths, lilies and mums at a cost of \$6.50 each and can be purchased by filling out this form and giving it and your payment to any deacon.

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Celebration of _____

_____ Tulip _____ Hyacinth _____ Lily _____ Mum



Attendance for March 9th
Church cancelled due to snow