



CHRISTLUTHERAN
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Palm Sunday

8:45 a.m. Traditional Service
with the Celebration of Holy Communion

March 29, 2026



WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN'S PROVIDENCE CAMPUS

If you would like to learn more about the church, contact Kathy Hofmann, our Guest & Hospitality Director khofmann@christelca.org

-or-

Fill out one of the Connect cards located in the pew racks in front of you, and place in the offering plate.

The order of service is divided into several sections. Use this bulletin to participate in the worship service, noting parts spoken by the leader or the people, when to stand, sit, or kneel, and music for congregational singing.



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Traditional Order of Worship

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Ride On!

Brenda Austin
Luther Ringers

APOSTOLIC GREETING (stand)

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

People: And also with you.

OPENING DIALOGUE

We gather as Holy Week begins, assembled as were the crowds on that first Palm Sunday.

(waving palm branches and shouting with enthusiasm):

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna!"

Let us pray: O God, we give thanks for your acts of love through your Son by which you have saved us. We remember today how Jesus entered Jerusalem in triumph, hailed as King of Kings by those who scattered palm branches in his path. On this day, bless these branches and those who bear them.

Empower us not only to follow Jesus throughout this Holy Week, but also commit ourselves to him as Lord and King all our days.

Amen. Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

When Jesus drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent ahead two of his disciples, saying, "Go into the village. There you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' tell them, 'The Lord has need of it.'" So they went away and found it as he had told them.

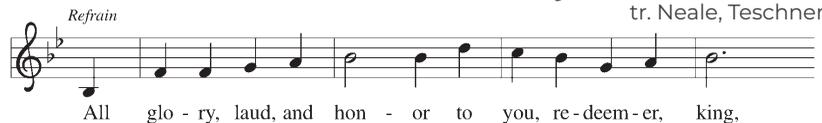
And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt, they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and to praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying:

OPENING SONG

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

tr. Neale, Teschner





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.

**PRAYER
OF THE DAY**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, for whom all things are possible, you have highly exalted your suffering Servant, who did not hide from insult but humbled himself even to death on a cross. As we begin the journey of Holy Week, confirm our worship and witness, so that when we proclaim the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend and every tongue proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord. We ask this through your Son, the Christ, our Passover and Peace, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

WORD

READING
Philippians 2:5-11
(NIV)
(sit)

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**LENTEN
ACCLAMATION**
Return to God
Haugen
(stand)



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and mer - cy:



HOLY GOSPEL
Luke 19:28-44
(NIV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'" Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They replied, "The Lord needs it." They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes. The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognize the time of God's coming to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

CHRIST KIDS
 (sit)

Children ages 3 years through 2nd grade are invited to an age-appropriate lesson in the Ministry Center (M241/242). They will return during the offering.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON



HYMN OF THE DAY
Hosanna, Loud
Hosanna

Threlfall, arr. Courtney
 (stand)



lit - tle chil - dren sang; Thro' pil - lared court and
 an__ ex - ul - tant crowd; The vic - tor__ palm branch
 an - cient song we sing, For Christ is__ our Re -

tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang; To__
 wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud; The
 deem - er, The Lord of heav'n, our King; O__

Je - sus, who had blessed__ them Close fold - ed
 Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in
 may we ev - er praise__ Him With heart and

to His breast, The chil - dren__ sang their
 low - ly state, Nor scorned that__ lit - tle
 life and voice, And in His__ ho - ly

prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
 chil - dren Should on__ His bid - ding wait.
 pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

NICENE CREED We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

(kneel/sit)

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

(stand)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(sit)

Place cash or checks in Give envelopes, located in pew racks, and drop in offering plate. Credit cards can be used via online giving. Text "PRAISE" to 73256 or scan QR Code on envelope.

Hosanna to the King

Dan Forrest
Christ Choir

OFFERTORY *Cup of Blessing*

Mischke, Kocher
(stand)



Is it not the blood of Christ, who for us was sac - ri - ficed?
Cast - ing out dis - trust and fear, let us love with hearts sin - cere.



As one bod - y, we are fed; Christ we share, one cup, one bread.
One by God's de - sign are we; let us live in u - ni - ty.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful Father,
**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us:
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Lord Most Holy*

It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord most ho - ly, God of pow'r and

God of might: heav'n and earth re - veal your glo - ry.
 Hail, ho - san - na, Lord of light! Bless-ed be the com - ing
 Sav - ior. Hail, ho - san - na, Lord of light!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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 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.

AGNUS DEI
O Lamb of God
 (sit)

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 you suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who have been instructed in the sacrament and believe Christ is present for the forgiveness of sins are invited to commune. Young children are invited to receive a blessing.
 Gluten-free wafers available upon request

My Song Is Love Unknown
 arr. Moklebust
 Luther Ringers

BLESSING
 (stand)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG
(sit)

Hosanna to the Son

Jody Lindh

Wednesdays Ablaze Children, Luther Ringers

SENDING

BENEDICTION

(stand)

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. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

*Ride On, Ride On
in Majesty!*

arr. Lantz



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 an - gel
4. Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
5. 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
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
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 - d'ring eyes To see th'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Holy Week & Easter Sunday

2026 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday March 29

- 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary) 📺
- 10:00 a.m. Bridge Service (Christ Chapel) ▲ 📺
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 📺
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (Sanctuary) 📺

Holy Week Wednesday April 1

- 12:00 p.m. Midday Lenten Service (Christ Chapel)
followed by light lunch in the Forum, \$5
- 5:00 p.m. Wednesdays Ablaze Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
\$8 adults/\$6 child/\$30 family max
- 6:00 p.m. Wednesdays Ablaze Classes

Maundy Thursday April 2

- 12:00 p.m. Midday Worship (Christ Chapel)
- 5:30 p.m. Seder Meal (Spirit Hall) ▲ 📺
\$10 • Register in REALM
- 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship (Sanctuary) 📺
- 8:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil Starts (Lackey Chapel) ▲

Good Friday April 3

- 10:00 a.m. Children's Service (Sanctuary) ▲
*for families with young children,
preschool & elementary students*
- 12:00 p.m. Seven Last Words (Christ Chapel)
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil Ends (Lackey Chapel) ▲
- 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service (Sanctuary)

Easter Sunday April 5

- 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service (Fountain Plaza) ▲
- 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary) 📺
- 10:00 a.m. Bridge Service (Christ Chapel) ▲ 📺
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (Sanctuary) 📺

▲ IN PERSON ONLY

🛒 nursery available (0-36 months)

📺 children's message



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Easter Flowers & Wreaths

Purchase fresh flowers and locally-crafted artificial wreaths in memory of or in honor of loved ones to adorn our worship spaces on Easter Sunday. Flowers and wreaths may be taken home after the Easter Sunday Contemporary service.

\$15 lilies
\$30 hydrangeas
\$75 artificial wreath

Scan QR Code to Purchase
NOTE: YOU CAN STILL PLACE AN ORDER, BUT NAMES WILL NOT BE PRINTED IN EASTER BULLETINS AS DEADLINE HAS PASSED.



REALM

COME PRAY WITH US AT
CHRIST LUTHERAN'S EASTER

PRAYER VIGIL

STARTS **Thurs., April 2 • 8 p.m.**
ENDS **Friday, April 3 • 7 p.m.**
in Lackey Chapel

**Sign up for a 1-hr time slot on
Sundays in the Lower Commons**

-or- **Scan/Click to Submit a Prayer**
christelca.org/prayer-request
Paper slips are located in Christ Chapel
and the Info desk in the Lower Commons




LOST & FOUND

Lost & found items are available for
pickup on a table located in the Lower
Commons near the Information Desk.

Any items not collected by
April 5th
will be donated or discarded.



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CONGREGATIONAL VOTE

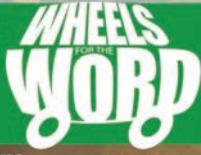
Regarding the sale of a residential lot
near Lake Tillery that was donated
several years ago.

Sunday, April 12
immediately following the 11 a.m. service

FOR ZOOM LINK: christelca.org/online

VAN DRIVERS WANTED

for McPIE students after
Wednesdays Ablaze &
Sunday Worship



Wednesdays: 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Sundays: 10:00-1:00 p.m.
(no CDL required)

If interested, contact:
Angela (adavis@christelca.org) or
Sharhonda (smorgan@christelca.org)

Third THURSDAY

for adults of all ages

April 16: Journey to Margaritaville
11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Pit

Join us for cheeseburgers in paradise,
mocktail Margaritas, Pina Colodas
& cool island tunes. Wear your
favorite island inspired outfits!

\$12 • Scan/Click to Register






NEW MEMBER CLASS

Sunday, April 19 & 26
12:15 - 2:30 p.m. in the Forum

Join us for our upcoming New Member class! This
is a wonderful opportunity to connect with our
pastors & staff while delving into the Lutheran faith
& the history of CLC. Lunch will be provided.



Scan/Click to Register
MORE INFO: khofmann@christelca.org
or mparker@christelca.org

Fellowship at the ballpark

LIMITED
TICKETS
AVAILABLE



Saturday, May 2
GAME 6:00 p.m.
CONCERT 4:00 p.m.
GATES OPEN 3:30 p.m.

\$21 • Click/Scan to Register
DEADLINE: April 10
MORE INFO: mparker@christelca.org



NEW SUNDAY ADULT CLASS

The Marks of Discipleship



Sundays • 10:00-10:45 a.m.
in Fellowship Hall

Explore what a follower of Jesus looks like and get
ready to spark your spiritual life as you learn about
The Marks of Discipleship! Led by CLC pastors.

For more on our latest news, events & other announcements: christelca.org/latest-news



CHRIST LUTHERAN
cornerstone
gifts

located between
the Ministry Center
& Lower Commons

SUN | TU | W | TH
9:30a.m. - 12:30p.m.

NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
OUTREACH MINISTRIES OF
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Check out
our variety of
CROSSES,
featuring two
styles that came
from the
construction of
our Sanctuary!

Seder Meal

Thursday, April 2 • 5:30 p.m.
in Spirit Hall

Join us for a traditional Jewish passover meal and reenactment of The Last Supper. The meal includes lamb, wine, veggies dipped in saltwater, matzah, bitter herbs, horseradish and romaine lettuce dipped in charoset.

\$10 • Scan/Click to Register>>



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TIME/LOCATION CHANGE

Baptismal Class

Sunday, April 12
10 a.m. in Lackey Chapel

THIS CLASS IS
IN PERSON ONLY

For info, email Caroline at
cdiffley@christelca.org

CENTERSTAGE SUMMER CAMP August 3-7

Willy Wonka JR.

Rising 6th - 12th graders are welcome to register for this all-day summer camp featuring singing, drama & choreography, led by Aj Calpo & Lamar Davis.
Performance: Fri., Aug. 7th • 7pm (The Pit)

\$300 • Click/Scan QR Code for More Info & RSVP



REALM

oneblood 
Share your power.

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, April 19
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

TO REGISTER, GO TO:
oneblood.org/donate-now

CHILDREN'S GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

for families with young children, pre-k & elementary students

Friday, April 3 • 10:00 a.m.
in the Sanctuary

 christelca.org

FAMILY FIELD DAY

Saturday, April 18 • 1-4 p.m.
at South Land (315 Reid Dairy Rd. in Waxhaw)

Lace up your sneakers & join us for our 1st ever Family Field Day! This event will be packed with races, games & activities for all ages. Gather the family & get ready for an amazing afternoon!

Scan/Click to Register



REALM

SPOTLIGHT SUMMER CAMP August 3-7

Frog and Toad

Rising 2nd-5th graders are welcome to register for this all-day summer camp featuring singing, drama & choreography, led by CJ Michael & Jessica Luedeman.
Performance: Fri., Aug. 7th • 6pm (Fellowship Hall)

\$300 • Click/Scan QR Code for More Info & RSVP



REALM

Prayers

- † National, state and local leaders
- † People of Russia and Ukraine
- † Conflicts in the Middle East
- † Lois Witham
- † Bruce Voelker's brother, George
- † Frank Henry's mother, Jean and his father, Jim
- † Leighton Garner
- † Marge Storms' sister, Martha
- † Carol Zoutewelle
- † Robin Tonelli's father, Roger Thompson
- † Kristin Kilpatrick
- † Amy Kochan
- † Kristi Ausrud
- † Katie Kirkland
- † Sharhonda Morgan
- † Judy Shaffer's sister, Mary
- † Jack Whittemore's mother
- † Hannah and Eric Sensenbrenner on the birth of their daughter, Clara Ruth. Proud grandparents, Scott and Gretchen Suskovic and John and Kim Sensenbrenner

Hospice List

- † Lisa Jeter's sister, Pam Comer

*The flowers today
are given to the Glory of God...*

In memory of Mark's mother Dorothy Geiger, by
Mark & Carmen Geiger.

In honor of our wedding day, from Lauren and
Patrick Hartnet.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

March 22, 2026

Traditional: 258

Bridge: 123

Contemporary: 257

Christ Online: 339 (Sun - Tue)

March 18, 2026

Midday Lenten Service: 76

(in-person & online)



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