

BLESSED IS THE ONE
WHO COMES IN THE NAME
OF THE LORD!

MARK 11:9



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April 5, 2009

Palm Sunday/The Sunday of the Passion

8:00 & 9:30 Holy Communion

Welcome to worship at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. Today we are following the purple service booklet, and the hymns can be found in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship book located in the pew. Feel free to check with a neighbor if you are unsure of where we are at any time during the service. We meet as God's people, brought here by the Holy Spirit.

We are blessed to have you here with us today.

There is coffee available for all in the Christian Life Center following our services. Please join us!

Prelude	<i>Les Rameaux (Palm Branches)</i>	G. Faure Allan Reed - Trumpet
Gathering Song	<i>All Glory, Laud and Honor</i>	#344
Hymn of the Day	<i>Ah, Holy Jesus</i>	#349
Offering Music	<i>Ride On! Ride On!</i>	J. P. Scott
Music During Distribution	<i>Lamb of God</i>	#336
	<i>Were You There</i>	#353
	<i>Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross</i>	#335
Sending Song	<i>Prepare the Royal Highway</i>	#264
Postlude	<i>Pageant</i>	P. Moore

SERVING THIS WEEK – Palm Sunday ~ April 5, 2009

Altar Guild: Joan Schappert, Mary Brinson, Pam Himebaugh & Pam Porter † **Greeters:** Linda Sullivan † **Ushers:** Bruce & Elaine Belvin and Carmine & Dee Bianco † **Acolytes:** Wenli Frazier & Kiana Maisonet † **Reader:** Jonathan Safford † **Communion Assistants:** John & Tina Carlson † **Eucharistic Ministers:** John & Tina Carlson

SERVING NEXT WEEK – Easter Sunday ~ April 12., 2009

Altar Guild: Joan Schappert, Mary Brinson, Pam Himebaugh & Pam Porter

Greeters: 8:30 ~ Greeters needed...please sign up!

10:15 ~ Greeters needed...please sign up!

Readers: 8:30 ~ Kathy Gremel 10:15 ~ Mary Brinson

Ushers: 8:30 ~ John Merrill

One additional usher needed...please sign up!

10:15 ~ The Wagner Family

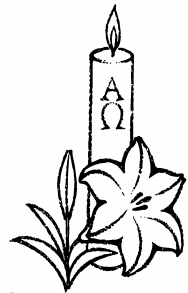
**Communion Assistants: 8:30 ~ Tammy McLaughlin
Ashley Smith**

10:15 ~ Karin Kohl & needed...please sign up!

Acolytes: 8:30 ~ Wenli Frazier & Kiana Maisonet

10:15 ~ Needed...please sign up!

Eucharistic Minister: Needed...please sign up!



PALMS AND ALTAR FLOWERS

The palms today are given to the glory of God
by Stan & Jean Larson.

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God
by John & Tina Carlson in memory of Ingrid Hanson
and by Jim & Jo-Anne Doyle in memory of their mothers.

Music at the 8:00 service this morning:

Prelude	<i>Les Rameaux (Palm Branches)</i>	G. Faure
Offering	<i>Create in Me a Clean Heart</i>	
Communion	<i>Agnus Dei</i>	
Postlude	<i>Joyful Recessional</i>	R. Bonighton

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PALM SUNDAY/
SUNDAY OF THE PASSION**
APRIL 5, 2009

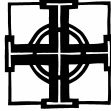
- ✘ **Important...Easter Sunday servers needed!** If you can help with being an **usher, greeter, or acolyte** at either the 8:30 or 10:15 service on **Sunday, April 12**, please sign up on the sheet posted on the office bulletin board. Many thanks!
- ✘ **On Monday evenings, Pastor Kohl's classes will shift a bit.** We will pay attention to some everyday practices which reveal God's holiness at work in daily life. Each session begins at 7:00 p.m. You are welcome to join us. In the church, we know what Paul once wrote is true: "To each is given a gift of the Spirit for the common good." (1 Corinthians 12:7)
 - April 6 – The Practice of Feeling Pain: Breakthrough
 - April 13 – The Practice of Pronouncing Blessings: Benediction
- ✘ **Please join leader Karin Kohl for a journey through the Gospel of John on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** John is known as the most theological of the gospels, but don't let that scare you...it is together around God's word, and with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit that we are all led to new insights into that word. Join us!
- ✘ **The Social Ministry Committee will be meeting this Wednesday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m.** Anyone who is interested is invited to attend—new faces are very welcome!
- ✘ **Our friends at House of Hospitality are hosting an Easter meal on Sunday, April 12 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus located at the corner of Sandy Lane and Warwick Avenue.** This meal is free of charge—all are welcome! If you or someone you know is interested in joining us, please reserve a place for dinner and/or transportation by calling Janice Sisto at 736-0575.
- ✘ **The Altar Guild will have a table set up to accept donations for the Easter Memorial Garden this morning. Today is the deadline to submit your request.** If you would like to donate a potted spring plant on Easter Sunday in memory of a loved one, please fill out the envelope in clear print, enclose your (good will) donation, and place it in the offering plate. If you have questions, please contact Linda Phillips or any member of the Altar Guild.
- ✘ **The newest members of Pilgrim Church will be welcomed on Sunday, April 26 during the 9:30 service** (please note the change of date from March 29). Please see Pastor Kohl or Sister Carol if you are interested in joining the Pilgrim family.

- ✧ **Calling all Pilgrims! The Altar Guild is in need of help delivering Easter Plants after services on Sunday, April 19.** For your convenience, the Altar Guild has prepared a list of parishioners who will be receiving these plants and has posted it on the display board in the hallway outside church (narthex). Additionally, floral cards with the names and addresses of the recipients will be given to you with the plants when you collect them from the altar on April 19—Altar Guild members will also be on hand to assist you. If you are able to deliver one or more plants to parishioners on this day, please sign up on the display board located in the narthex or see Linda Phillips of the altar guild. Your assistance with this important ministry is greatly appreciated!
- ✧ **Evening and daytime Women’s Bible Study will not meet during the month of April.** Stayed tuned for more information regarding continuing our class in the weeks ahead.
- ✧ **The Pilgrim Clothing Ministry is now accepting spring and summer items for men, women and children.** Please—no heavy sweaters, coats, or obvious winter items. Thanks for your support!
- ✧ **Our beginning Spanish language class will be held every Monday and Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.** through the end of May.
- ✧ **Anna’s Place (the Pilgrim Food Pantry) continues to meet the needs of up to 60 families every Thursday afternoon.** Please consider donating jars of spaghetti sauce, pasta, and supermarket cards in the weeks ahead as we gather items for Easter Week distribution. Thank you for your continued support of Anna’s Place.
- ✧ **Eucharistic Ministers are very much needed in the weeks ahead.** Please sign up on the sheet posted on the office bulletin board if you are able to help.
- ✧ **Help support the Good Friday walk** to raise awareness for the plight of the hungry and homeless in our communities! Sign up to walk or to be a sponsor—forms are in the narthex. Questions? See Sister Carol.
- ✧ **Save the date for *You Are the Light*, a massed choir concert under the direction of our own Kajsa Teitelbaum being performed here at Pilgrim on Sunday evening, April 26 at 7:00 p.m.** Selections will include praise music from different time periods, including Ralph Vaughn-Williams *Five Mystical Songs*. Join us!
- ✧ **On Sunday, May 3 following the 9:30 service, Pastor Kohl will lead an introduction to the *Lutheran Study Bible*.** If you would like to have a copy, let Pastor Kohl know. He orders in quantities of 10, which gives us a \$10 per book discount. The cost is \$25.
- ✧ **Do you ever fly out of T.F. Green and wonder where to park?** You can park at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Warwick, and they will transport you to and from the airport. When you donate a portion of what you save on parking or taxis to the Good News Garage Rhode Island, you will help to change lives. Call the church office at 737-6758.

THIS WEEK AT PILGRIM

Holy Week

Today	4/5	Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion
		8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
		9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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Monday	4/6	~ Sister's Day Off ~
		7:00 p.m. Adult Class - The Practice of Feeling Pain: Breakthrough
		7:00 p.m. Spanish Class
		7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
Tuesday	4/7	9:30 a.m. Pastors' Pericope
		7:00 p.m. John Bible Study
		<i>No Confirmation Class</i>
Wednesday	4/8	7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 p.m. Yoga
Thursday	4/9	Maundy Thursday
		1:00 p.m. Anna's Place
		7:00 p.m. Service
Friday	4/10	Good Friday
		12:00 noon The Way of the Cross
		7:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross
Saturday	4/11	Holy Saturday/Easter Eve
		2:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt/Program <i>Rain or shine!</i>
		7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
		7:45 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter



**Our prayers are requested for these members
and friends of Pilgrim Church:**

Fran Buckley
Pastor John Carlson
Jim
Sister Mary Muara
Muriel McLaughlin
Dorothy Mott
Shannon
Gladys Lamereaux
Joyce Rouillard
Tom Remming
Carlton Freese
Baby Drew
Jay Young
Walter Oakes
Brandi
Courtney Hollingworth
Eddie
Nicole Elliot
Stan Larson
Carmine Bianco
Kimberly
Kathy Noonan
Beverly Doyle
Arlys Hopkins
Shirley Whitney
Eileen Coombs
Aunt Julie
Eva Marie
Joan N.

Father Michael (Cheney)
Pastor Rob Harris
Bradford Lundin
Maria Davis
Kevin Doyle
Helen Nicholls
Bruce
Bill Bishop
Elizabeth Smith
Annie Walsh
Tobias Källkvist
Kayla Gilbert
Dennis Sendra
Jules
Mark Doyle
Martha Grant
Real Lesieur
Sister Ginny
Ryan Russell
John McElhenny
Brian Rigney
Will
Alice McManus
Samuel Kramer
Brayden Bogdan
Linton Nelson
Rafael
Verteal Patterson

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The 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?

Psalm 31:9-16

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let 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.

GOSPEL: Mark 14:1—15:47 [not printed]

or Mark 15:1-39 [40-47] [not printed]

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8 or John 20:1-18.

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