# Faith Lutheran Church in Valders

# *Sharing God’s Word; Showing God’s Love; Serving God’s World.*

Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

## **Gathering**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Video – Father Stu**

**First Gospel Reading:** Luke 19:29 – 38The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

As Jesus approached Bethphage and Bethany [near Jerusalem] 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!”

P: The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Opening Hymn** **“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”** vs. 1, 3, 5 #344

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Special Music** – Sunday school children

P: Let us Pray.

**C: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to become one of us**

**so that he could take away our sins on the cross. Help us as your earthly children to share in his**

**obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son Jesus Christ**

**our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

**Second Gospel Reading:** Luke 19:45 – 20:8 Jesus at the Temple

When Jesus entered the temple courts, he began to drive out those who were selling. “It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be a house of prayer’; but you have made it ‘a den of robbers.’”

Every day he was teaching at the temple. But the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the leaders among the people were trying to kill him. Yet they could not find any way to do it, because all the people hung on his words.

One day as Jesus was teaching the people in the temple courts and proclaiming the good news, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, together with the elders, came up to him. “Tell us by what authority you are doing these things,” they said. “Who gave you this authority?”

He replied, “I will also ask you a question. Tell me: John’s baptism —was it from heaven, or of human origin?”

They discussed it among themselves and said, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will ask, ‘Why didn’t you believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ all the people will stone us, because they are persuaded that John was a prophet.” So they answered, “We don’t know where it was from.” Jesus said, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.” L: The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsive Reading:** Philippians 2:5 – 11

L: In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

**C: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own**

**advantage; but rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in**

**human likeness.**

L: And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient unto death —even

death on a cross!

**C: Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,**

L: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

**C: And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

**Third Gospel Reading:** Luke 20:20 – 26Jesus Authority is Challenged

Keeping a close watch on him, they sent spies, who pretended to be sincere. They hoped to catch Jesus in something he said, so that they might hand him over to the power and authority of the governor. So the spies questioned him: “Teacher, we know that you speak and teach what is right, and that you do not show partiality but teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?”

He saw through their duplicity and said to them, “Show me a denarius. Whose image and inscription are on it?” “Caesar’s,” they replied.

He said to them, “Then give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

They were unable to trap him in what he had said there in public. And astonished by his answer, they became silent. L: The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Song “Jesus, Remember Me” (sing twice)** #616

**Fourth Gospel Reading:** Luke 22:1 – 6

Now the Festival of Unleavened Bread, called the Passover, was approaching, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were looking for some way to get rid of Jesus, for they were afraid of the people. Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus. They were delighted and agreed to give him money. He consented, and watched for an opportunity to hand Jesus over to them when no crowd was present.

P: The Gospel of our Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Message “Obedient Unto Death”**

**Hymn of Response “O Master, Let Me Walk with You”** #818

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: 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 to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P: What does this mean? (Luther’s Explanation)

**C: I believe that Jesus Christ—true God, Son of the Father from eternity, and true man, born of the virgin Mary—is my Lord.**

**At great cost He has saved and redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, He has freed me from sin, death, and the power of the devil – not with silver or gold, but with His holy and precious blood and His innocent suffering and death. All this He has done that I may be His own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.**

**OFFERING**

**Offertory “Take My Life, That I May Be”**  vs. 1, 6 #685

**C: Gracious God, Creator of all that exists, and the giver of the gift of life, help us not to think of this**

**time in the service as taking a collection for the needs of the church, but as an offering to You. And**

**may this offering remind us that first, and foremost, we need to offer ourselves to you. We ask this in**

**the name of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen!**

**Prayers of Intercession**

P: Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**

P: Receive these prayers, O God, and those needs known only to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ

by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen!**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Sending Song “The Old Rugged Cross”**

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross, where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

**Refrain:** So I’ll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary. **Refrain.**

In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see; for ’twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died to pardon and sanctify me. **Refrain.**

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he’ll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I’ll share. **Refrain.**

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P: Go in the Spirit of Christ to love and serve the Lord.

**C: Sharing God’s Word, Showing God’s Love, and Serving God’s World.**

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**Serving Us Today**

Organist: Peggy Madson Head Usher: Delton Duchow

Greeter: Mitchell Zutz Acolyte:

Ushers: Wayne Huske and Tyler Madson Lector: Ron Jones

Sound Operator: Terry Huske Projection: Terry Huske

Video/Live Stream: Bill Riesterer

**Last Week** – Sunday: 125 Video: 72 Wednesday: 85 Offerings to the Lord’s work: $8,755.00

**Known to have been hospitalized or in need of prayer:**  Julie Endries and family upon the passing of her father, Henry Behnke, the family of Dan Meyer, Kevin Schultz, Marlene Thomsen, Harry Kwasny, Connie Schisel, Donald Tienor, Lorraine Reindl, Delores Johnson, Ginger Linsmeier, Bob Klessig, Signe Burkart, Doug Wilson, Jim Loritz, Elling Jones, Merle “Butch” Graf, Wayne Allen Huske.

**Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the following who are serving in the military:** Daniel Brandl, Matthew Brill, Kyle and Dylan Conrad, Corey Evenson, Carter Hildebrandt, Jeff Konz and Andy Schnell. If there are others we should be remembering, please inform the church office.

**Faith’s Opportunities April 10-18**

**Sunday** 10:00 A.M. Sunday School and Fellowship Hour

10:15 A.M. Choir Practice – 9th grade Confirmation

**Monday** 6:00 P.M. Televised Worship and Jazzercise

**Tuesday** 6:30 P.M. Lions Meeting in Community Room

**Wednesday** 5:00 P.M. Board of Stewardship

6:00 P.M. Card Making in Community Room

**NO Worship**

**Thursday** 8:00 A.M. Quilting

8:30 A.M. Secretary’s Meeting

6:15 P.M. Maundy Thursday Worship

**Friday** Office open until noon

Newsletter info due

6:15 P.M. Good Friday Worship

**Saturday** 1:00 P.M. Breakfast setup

**Sunday** 7:00 A.M. Sunrise Service

8:00 A.M. Breakfast in fellowship hall

8:15 A.M. Choir practice

9:00 A.M. Worship

**Monday** Office closed

Please sign the Easter cards in the Gathering Space for our homebound members. Let them know you are thinking of them.

The Faith Lutheran Cemetery Association is asking that any decorations on the cemeteries that you would like to save, please be removed. Due to inclement weather, we will do our cemetery clean up on short notice when the weather permits. Thank you.

**Attention Confirmation Students and families.** We will be preparing for Easter Sunday breakfast and need your help!This morning we will be creating the table decorations with the Sunday school students at 10:00 and could use some helpers.Saturday, April 16th at 1pm we will be setting up tables and chairs, decorating and prepping the food.  Sunday, April 17th we will be setting up the buffet breakfast during the 7:00 service.  We need confirmation students and their families to assist with set up, serving and clean up to make the event run smoothly.  Questions can be directed to Erin Lenzner or Stacy Wilker.

**April Stewardship is Baptism Quilts**

Materials needed:

• 1½ yards of baby appropriate cotton material for top & bottom. Can also be a baby flannel.

• 1½ yards of batting (either cotton or low loft). Can also be a crib size 45x60 in a bag.

Any cash or gift cards can be given to Christine in the office. Place any items in the Stewardship Cabinet across from the office.

Save the Date for Monumental VBS – the summer event that celebrates God’s greatness!  This year, VBS will be held Monday, June 20 - Thursday, June 23, 2022 from 12:30-4:00 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, Valders.

At Monumental VBS, kids explore the vastness of God’s power and the depth of his love for each of them.

Our crews can expect a full week of faith discoveries, memorable music, and epic adventures that help kids encounter God’s power and love!  After a week in the hot canyon, families are invited to join us at the Manitowoc Aquatic Center to cool off at the waterpark.  You don’t want to miss it!

All children entering 4K – 5th grade are welcome to attend.  Confirmation and High School age students as well as adult volunteers are needed.  To be a part of the VBS family contact Chloe Cigler at 920-775-4417.