Order of Worship
April 13, 2025
Palm/Passion Sunday
Elim Reformed Church – Kings, IL

\*Please stand, if possible

Welcome/Announcements/Greeting Time

Call to Worship

John 12:12-14

<u>Pastor</u>: The next day the crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalm.

Congregation: They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!"

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the

Lord.

Congregation: Blessed is the King of Israel!

\*Hymn #234 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Prayer of Confession (IN UNISON)

Lord God, while we are as pleased to welcome You here today as the city of Jerusalem was that first Palm Sunday, we also confess that our faith can be just as fickle and rebellious as theirs! Our praise can sometimes be more show than substance. Have mercy on us, son of David! Forgive what is sinful, heal what is broken, and turn our Alleluias into genuine, consistent, and beautiful expressions of praise. We pray this in the King's name, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Romans 8:1

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God!

Scripture John 12:12-14, Revelation 7:9-10

Children's Message

Prayer

\*Hymn #233 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Sermon "Making Sense of It All: Sight" - Pastor Marv

\*Hymn #551 "The King Is Coming"

Benediction

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

After worship this morning, EVERYONE is invited downstairs for cake and fellowship to celebrate those with April birthdays and anniversaries.

We also have Easter "Blessing Bags" to share with some others downstairs. Please sign the cards by today so they can be delivered this upcoming week.

Ebenezer has invited us to attend their Maundy Thursday service this Thursday, April 17. The meal will begin at 5:30 p.m. and be followed by the service. The address for the church is 2997 No. German Church Road, Oregon.

Make plans to attend our **Easter Breakfast and Worship** service next Sunday, April 20. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. *Sign-Up sheets for attending the breakfast and donating food are posted on the front bulletin board.* There will be no Coffee and Fellowship Time after the service on Easter.

The daily Bible reading schedule for April and Summer Camp Manitoqua brochures (\$300 scholarships for those attending camp) are located on the back table.

Linda Alderks has a new cell phone number:

815-440-7406

## Prayer Concerns & Praises



(please remember these and others in your prayers!)

- <sup>⊕</sup> Marla Rozeboom- experiencing vision problems due to the anti-rejection medication
- ₱ Joan Hayes- moved to Liberty Village for rehabilitation
- ⊕ Fran Bruns- undergoing rehab at Hawthorne Inn, Rochelle (Room 116)
- <sup>↑</sup> John Swanson, Judy Ealey, Gay Fritz, and Miles Jacobsen
  (Norm Shirk's grandson) battling cancer
- Those with ongoing health issues ~ Carol Hayenga
- ⊕ Hospice Care: Dave (Linda Alderks' brother)
- 4 Health and Safety for those in the military

Cover Text: Psalm 118:24 (CEB)

Readings for Palm/Passion Sunday, April 13, 2025: Luke 19:28-40; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

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