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"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"  
"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" "Hosanna in the highest!" (Mark 11:9)*

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in Yorba Linda, the land of gracious living*

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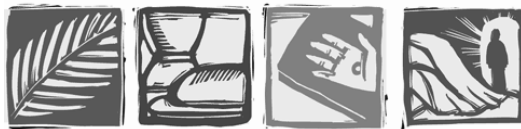
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### *Welcome*

- † If you would like to know more about Grace - Yorba Linda, visit our **website** at [gracelutheran.church](http://gracelutheran.church). A **membership** class, a class that covers the basic teachings of the Bible and what it means to be a Christian is beginning in the weeks after Easter. Contact Pastor Sievert for more information. We would also love to share information with you about our Sunday worship services, our weekly Bible Classes, and our youth programs.

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is a member of the  
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## HOLY WEEK





*Passion Sunday  
March 24, 2024*

This first day of Holy Week is often referred to as Passion Sunday. When the church uses the word “passion,” it is tied to the ancient original Latin (*passio*) and Greek (*pascha*) which speak of suffering, much like our contemporary word compassion (“suffering with someone”). So today, we focus on the Suffering Servant of God, our Savior. It all begins with Jesus’ journey into Jerusalem, and there on a donkey, in the most unlikely of places, we see the King who came to suffer for us.

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The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**And also with you.**

Dear friends in Christ, today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into His own city to complete His work as our Savior: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion His entry that culminated at the empty tomb on Easter Sunday and follow Him with a lively faith. Let us share in His resurrection and new life.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL**

**Mark 11:1-11**

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it

here. <sup>3</sup>If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.’”

<sup>4</sup>They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, <sup>5</sup>some people standing there asked, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” <sup>6</sup>They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. <sup>7</sup>When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

“Hosanna!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!”

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

The Gospel of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

Let us go forth in peace.  
**In the name of the Lord.**



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord Jesus, you are the King of heaven and earth. We join the first Palm Sunday worshipers in praising and glorifying you for coming to this earth to be our Savior. Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us. Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place.

**Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.**

Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises as you rode into Jerusalem. Move us to confess you before others as our Lord. Help us proclaim the message of peace and forgiveness to people of all nations. Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them from sin and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil.

**Move us to dedicate all we are and have to your glory.**

Lord Jesus, you are King over all the earth. Bless the nations of this world with wise rulers and good government. Let peace prevail. Grant success to the businesses and industries of our land to serve for the common good. Cause all employers to be honest and fair-minded and all employees to be diligent and faithful. Look with favor on our nation's schools. Be with those who teach and those who learn.

**Comfort the sick and the afflicted with the assurance of your care and protection. Strengthen the faith of the dying.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Dear Savior, as we walk with you this week toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this wonderful message of salvation.

**Hear us for your mercy's sake. Amen.**

**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.**

**BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and + be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**