

"The Time Has Come" ([John 12:20-36](#))



"On a Hill Far Away": Cross and Resurrection
*Photo by Daryle Martin Lauritsen, March 2021, in the Loess Hills of
Monona County, Iowa.*

**The time is here: be lifted, Human One,
to glorify the God whose rule is love;
the hour of sacrifice is why you've come.
Now may we hear the voice that speaks above!**

**The time is ripe: be planted, Faithful Seed,
to be the grain that life abundant gives.
Teach us the death-to-self that is our need —
that willingness to serve is how to live.**

**The time is now: shine out, O Lord of Light
into our hearts, into the shadowed earth;
show us the way to love; give us the sight
that sees in every soul eternal worth.**

**The time has come: be lifted, Holy One,
to draw all people to your saving grace;
as children of your light may we become
the ones who share your love through time and space.**

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**Palm Sunday,
April 10th, 10:15 a.m.**



Liturgy of Holy Communion with Palm Procession and Choral Reading of the Passion Narratives

Based Upon the Gospel Accounts of Matthew, Mark and Luke

Readers and an acapella soloist are still needed for this Palm Sunday presentation. Please reply to this message if you are interested and willing to participate along with the time frames which would be best for you to rehearse. Parts will be assigned and a rehearsal scheduled when there is a full cast. A copy of the reading may be accessed by clicking on the folder below.

[Palm Sunday Passion Reading.pdf](#)



Holy Week

The Great Three Days

The services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter unfold in a single movement (in three acts) as the church each year makes the passage with Christ through death into life. **The Paschal Triduum is the heart of the Christian life**, so allow your lives this week to be conformed to the worship rhythms of the church rather than the chaos of the schedules laid upon us by the world surrounding us. **The word "holy" means to be "set apart" from the rest for a purpose.** These days are to be set apart

from all others, so I urge you to cancel meetings and appointments, finish all shopping and chores before Thursday evening, and reduce the use of electronics and transportation. Do whatever you need to do (or not to do) in order to honor and observe Holy Week and the days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday during which there should be little or no activity or work. Instead, there needs to be prayer, meditation, quiet, and praise as we gather with Christians around the world to worship, to remember, and to celebrate our freedom from the enslavements to death.

Maundy Thursday, April 14th, 7:15 p.m.



"FOR I GAVE YOU AN EXAMPLE
THAT YOU SHOULD DO
AS I DID TO YOU" — JESUS

JOHN 13:15

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**Liturgy of Holy Communion,
Individual Absolution (Forgiveness),
Foot-Washing and Stripping of the Chancel
for Good Friday**

**Good Friday
April 15th, 7:15 p.m.**



**Liturgy of the Word,
Reading of the Passion Narrative according
to St. John,
and Veneration of the Cross**

**Easter Sunday,
April 17th, 10:15 a.m.**



**Festival Liturgy of Holy Communion
with Soloist and Bell Choir**



Also on Easter Sunday please bring a few flowers either from your garden or the florist to place on the processional cross which will be presented at worship and then displayed on the front lawn. The cross will be located at the Woodside entrance to the sanctuary before worship.



You are also welcome to bring potted Easter lilies, hyacinths, tulips, and other flowers to decorate the chancel.



Lilies may also be purchased by contacting the church office before Thursday, April 7th.

For your consideration as we approach the days of Holy Week...
Bodies in Worship

by David Ney

With the long awaited easing of the burden of pandemic and the lifting of some virus restrictions, the coming Holy Week and Easter may be a time for you to renew your devotion to in-person worship practices and refresh your lives in "the community of the beloved" around the Word and Sacraments. Wearing a face covering is still highly encouraged when entering and exiting the worship space and when singing and receiving the Lord's Supper but can be eased when you are seated. Hand sanitizing and other safety measures continue to be recommended. Please prayerfully consider returning to worship during this holy season and the Easter days ahead of us.---djl



You are invited to J.S. Bach's *Easter Oratorio* presented by "Music of the Baroque" on Monday, April 11th at 7:30pm at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Chicago. Tickets can be booked online or by phone (312-551-1414) and special group pricing would be available for groups of 10 or more. For more information and ticket purchases click [HERE](#).

Dame Jane Glover leads the Music of the Baroque Chorus, Orchestra, and four world renowned soloists—Yulia Van Doren, Elizabeth DeShong, James Gilchrist, and Michael Sumuel—in Bach's imaginative *Easter Oratorio*, a journey from a cavern's darkness into the magnificent light of heaven. Gilchrist takes a solo turn in Purcell's "Evening Song" and Buxtehude's *Quemadmodum desiderat cervus*. The motet "Komm, Jesu, komm" and the thrilling Sinfonia in D Major—possibly a fragment of a lost violin concerto—complete the program.

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Saturday May 7, 2022 Pilgrim Congregational Church 7:30 pm
460 Lake St. Oak Park IL

Friday May 13, 2022 Resurrection Lutheran Church 7:30 pm
3309 N. Seminary Av. Chicago IL

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250 Woodside Rd. Riverside IL

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*THIS CONCERT ALSO AVAIABLE VIA LIVESTREAM

The concert will also feature "A Ukrainian Prayer" by John Rutter.



God of infinite mercy and goodness, with grateful hearts we pray to you today for peace. You offer us your peace continually, and you constantly remind us that peacemakers are blessed “for they shall be called children of God.” May your voice resound in the hearts of all, as you call us to follow the path of reconciliation and peace, and to be merciful as you are merciful. We pray to you for the people of the Ukraine, Russia and all in that region who are experiencing conflicts, violence and deaths. Bless the leaders with wisdom, vision and perseverance needed to build together a world of justice and solidarity, and to break down walls of hostility and division. Let us walk: in the light of the Lord. Amen.



For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water... (Isaiah 35:6b-7a).

**Join us every Sunday at 10:15 a.m.
in person or for continuing live streaming of
the liturgy accessed through the website by
clicking [HERE](#).**

**Recordings of the services are uploaded to the same site for
viewing at a later date.**



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