



Our Redeemer  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## *Our Mission:*

*True to God's Word, We Walk with Christ:  
Welcoming, Loving, Serving, Sharing.*

**Good Morning and Welcome!** What a great joy to have you here with us today praising God and receiving His gifts! If you are a guest or visiting with us, please do sign our guest register located in the narthex—we'd love to connect. Should you need it, there is a “cry room” next to the church office on the main level. Feel free to ask an usher if you need assistance. Welcome!

### **A Word about Holy Communion**

We celebrate the Lord's Supper every Sunday at ORLC. In this meal, instituted by the Lord Himself, we receive the True Body and True Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. We believe that the Lord is truly present during this Holy Meal, and we approach the altar in humility and gratitude. Baptized believers in Christ who also share our confession at this altar are welcome to commune.

**COMMUNION CUPS** The cups directly behind the white markers are alcohol-free.

**GLUTEN FREE WAFERS** Available upon request; simply ask the pastor or an elder.

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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Praise Band*

**AS WE GATHER** *Jesus' life of perfect obedience leads Him finally to the gates of Jerusalem. He must now fulfill the prophecies regarding the coming King of Israel. He does that in memorable fashion, turning the people's expectations upside down by an entrance marked by humility and solemnity. In this most holy of weeks, our Lord calls on each of us, not to cheer from the sidelines, but rather to join with Him in His walk to the cross and the empty tomb. May His Spirit bless you this week as you take that walk.*

**Call to Worship – Welcome**

## Entrance Psalm – Psalm 118:19-29

- P: Open for me the gates of righteousness,  
C: **that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**  
P: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.  
C: **I thank You that You have answered me and have become my salvation.**  
P: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.  
C: **This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**  
P: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
C: **Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!**  
P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!  
C: **We bless You from the house of the Lord.**  
P: The Lord is God and He has made His light to shine upon us.  
C: **Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar.**  
P: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;  
C: **for His steadfast love endures forever!**

## Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

*(Verse 1, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Verse 2, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Pre-Chorus, Chorus, Ending)*

### Verse 1

Praise is rising  
Eyes are turning to You  
We turn to You  
Hope is stirring  
Hearts are yearning for You  
We long for You *(To Pre-Chorus,  
Chorus)*

### (Pre-Chorus)

'Cause when we see You  
We find strength to face the day  
In Your presence  
All our fears are washed away  
*(Washed away)*

### (Chorus)

Hosanna Hosanna  
You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises  
Hosanna Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here Lord Jesus

### Verse 2

Hear the sound of  
Hearts returning to You  
We turn to You  
In Your Kingdom  
Broken lives are made new  
You make us new *(To Pre-Chorus,  
Chorus)*

### (Ending)

Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna

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## Invocation

- P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C: **Amen.**  
P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
C: **Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!**

## Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Since we are assembled here to hear the Word of God, to call upon Him in prayer, and to receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is good that we reflect upon our unworthiness, confessing before God our sins of thought, word, and deed, and our helplessness to free ourselves from our sinful nature. It is also good that we remember who we are as the baptized children of God, to whom the Lord has shown His mercy, cleansed from all our sin, and declared righteous in Christ our Lord. We come here today to lay claim again to the grace in which we are forgiven, and, for the sake of Christ, to be restored by His mercy to serve Him and walk in His ways.
- C: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: **Amen!**

*John 20:19-23*

## Prayer of the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**
- P: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: **Amen.**



# We Fall Down

(Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus x2)

## Verse

We fall down  
We lay our crowns  
At the feet of Jesus  
The greatness of mercy and love  
At the feet of Jesus (To Chorus)

## Chorus

And we cry holy holy holy  
And we cry holy holy holy  
And we cry holy holy holy is the  
Lamb

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## The First Reading..... Zechariah 9:9-12 (Zion's King; p.803 of your pew bible)

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your fortress, O prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## The Epistle Reading..... Philippians 2:5-11 (Christ's Humility; p.992 of your pew bible)

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual** ~ Hebrews 9:12, 15

P: Christ entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,

**C: thus securing an eternal redemption.**

P: Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

**C: so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.**

## **The Gospel Reading**.....John 12:12-19 (The Triumphal Entry; p.909 of your pew bible)

The next day the great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup> Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it, as it is written, <sup>15</sup> "Do not be afraid, O Daughter of Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

<sup>16</sup> At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him. <sup>17</sup> Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. <sup>18</sup> Many people, because they had heard that he had given this miraculous sign, went out to meet him. <sup>19</sup> So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **All Glory Laud and Honor**

(Open w/ Refrain; sing Refrain after each stanza/verse)

### **Refrain:**

All glory, laud, and honor  
To Thee, Redeemer, King!  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.

1) Thou art the King of Israel,  
Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's Name comest,  
Our King and Blessèd One . [Refrain]

2) The company of angels  
Is praising Thee on high;  
And mortal men and all things  
Created make reply . . . . [Refrain]

3) The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before Thee went;  
Our praise and prayers and anthems  
Before Thee we present . . [Refrain]

4) To Thee before Thy passion  
They sang their hymns of praise;  
To Thee, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise . . . . [Refrain]

5) Thou didst accept their praises,  
Accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good delightest,  
Our good and gracious King . . . .  
[Refrain]

**Refrain:**

All glory, laud, and honor  
To Thee, Redeemer, King!  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.

**Sermon**      “Experiencing the Hosanna” .....

**Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
    maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
    born of the virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, died and was buried.  
    He descended into hell.  
    The third day He rose again from the dead.  
    He ascended into heaven  
    and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
    From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the holy Christian church,  
    the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins,  
    the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. Amen

**Elder Installation** – Bart Semmler

**Prayers of the Church**

## Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C: ***“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!”***

*John 12:13*

## Words of Institution

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

*1 Corinthians 11:26*

C: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## 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.

# Holy (Song of the Ages)

(Verse 1, Pre-Chorus 1, Chorus 1, Verse 2, Pre-Chorus 2, Chorus 1 x2, Bridge, Chorus 1 & 2)

## Verse 1

In Your hand is the life of every  
creature  
The breath of all mankind in You  
began  
Your promises are written in  
creation  
Oh everywhere I look I see Your plan  
(to Pre-Chorus 1)

## Pre-Chorus 1

Even the rocks cry out so I'll cry out  
Heaven and earth will sing so I'll sing  
...(to Chorus 1)

## Chorus 1

Holy holy holy  
Lord God almighty  
You'll find me singing worthy  
Worthy is the lamb

## Verse 2

So enter into the song of the ages  
The one who was and is and is to  
come  
There'll be no end to the song  
without beginning  
The sound of saints and angels  
'round the throne. (to Pre-Chorus 2)

## Pre-Chorus 2

Even the rocks cry out so I'll cry out  
Heaven and earth will sing so I'll  
sing, I'll sing, I'll sing.  
Yes, Even the rocks cry out so I'll cry  
out  
Heaven and earth will sing so I'll sing  
... (to Chorus 1 x2)

## Bridge (x3)

I won't stop singing  
I won't stop singing  
These lungs were made to sing Your  
praise  
The heavens roaring the earth  
resounding  
As all creation sings Your praise (to  
Chorus 1 & 2)

## Chorus 2

Oh holy holy holy  
Lord God almighty  
You'll find me singing worthy  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Oh worthy is the lamb  
Yes worthy is the lamb

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## Post-Communion Prayer

**P:** O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

**C:** Amen.

## Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

## Announcements

### Forever

(Verse 1, Verse 2, Pre-Chorus, Chorus 1, Verse 3, Pre-Chorus, Chorus 2)

#### Verse 1

Give thanks to the Lord  
Our God and King  
His love endures forever  
For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise (to verse 2)

#### Verse 2

With a mighty hand  
And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise (to Pre-Chorus)

#### (Pre-Chorus)

Sing praise sing praise

#### Chorus

Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong Forever God is  
with us  
Forever forever

#### Verse 3

From the rising to the setting sun  
His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God  
We will carry on  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise (to Pre-Chorus)

#### Chorus 2

Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever  
Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever Forever

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

C: **Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!**

P: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

# Announcements

## From the Church Office

**Church Member Updates** - Help us keep our records up to date and keep you informed with what's happening at Our Redeemer. Please contact the office if your email, phone number, address or number of members in your family has changed.



**SMILE!!** -The congregation photo boards are ready for your photograph! Photos should be 4x6 or 6x4. You are welcome to bring your own photo of that size (whether you are an individual, couple, or family), or find Terri Semmler who will be delighted to take your picture. Thanks!

**Voter's Meeting Results** – Bart Semmler was approved for the Board of Elders; FLMT has given the recommendation to pursue a DCE intern for our children and youth ministry program; The congregation has voted to designate 100% of our Easter offerings towards local, Gospel-centered non-profits. 75% will go to Love, Inc. or Eagle River and 25% will go to Young Life.

**ORLC Scholarship Fund** - A scholarship fund has been started through the generous donation of a long time member of ORLC. Applications for the scholarship are now available at the Connection Corner, and are due April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate to this fund, please make a note on your check that your contribution is for the scholarship.

**Walkin' at the Mac** - Generally at 9:00am, Mon. and Thurs. (free for seniors or \$2per visit/ \$1.50 with punch card). If you're interested or have questions contact Ingrid Roelfs at 907-382-3662.

**Tour of Israel** - ORLC is hosting a 10-day tour of the Holy Land, January 11-20, 2022. Look for more info at the Connection Corner.



**The Power of Prayer!** - ORLC has an electronic prayer group who will pray for you and/or your loved ones. Email your electronic prayer request to [orlc.prayers@gmail.com](mailto:orlc.prayers@gmail.com). It's emailed out as Bcc (blind), Monday-Friday to a group of people who will pray for your concerns. Prayers are listed for one week unless the request is renewed. (If you do not have a computer, call the ORLC office and it will be added for you.)

**The Miraculous** - Join us each Wednesday in Lent for worship at 6:30pm as we take a look at the miraculous events that occurred during the Passion of our Lord. The almighty hand of God was certainly working wonders in the final hours of Good Friday!

**Children & Youth Sunday School** – Pre-K—5<sup>th</sup> grade will be meeting every Sunday in the fellowship hall @ 9:00am. Information on our return including COVID protocols can be found at the Connection Corner or in the Weekly Updates section on our website.  
6<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade will be meeting every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the Youth Room @ 9:00am. Questions? Contact Deac. Britt.

**Sunday School** – Kids, youth, and adult classes are taking a quick Easter break. No classes on 4/4 and 4/11, but we are back at it on 4/18.

**Midweek Devotion** - Join us for a midweek devotion, posted each Wednesday morning. We'll work our way through the Psalms together, the hymnbook of the Bible which captures every single human emotion possible! Posted on Facebook or on our website: <https://www.orlc-ak.org/devotions>



**Service Opportunity** – With kid's Sunday School back in the mix, we need assistants for all ages. If you're interested, please contact Deac. Britt.

**Alaska Mission for Christ Seeking Alaskan Volunteers** - Alaska Mission for Christ is seeking individuals to serve on Work & Witness projects in Haines and Fairbanks, Alaska. These projects would be scheduled in May and August. Work includes clearing debris from a major landslide in Haines, as well as reconstruction of various structures. In Fairbanks, work will continue at Bingle Camp on the log cabin structures. Contact Jan Bruick, AMC Servant Event Coordinator: 402-641-9691 for more information.

**Altar Flowers** – Interested in providing flowers for the altar to mark a special occasion or simply your abundant joy in life? Contact [office@orlc-ak.org](mailto:office@orlc-ak.org) to reserve a Sunday.

In order to lift up to God the people of Our Redeemer, we'll include a staff member, church board, and three families from our church directory to pray for each week.

\*James Baumgartner - Pastor

\*Outreach

\*Todd & Rebecca Carroll, Richard & Carol Cartier, Henry & Khamla Chang, and their families.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

*If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know.*

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

29 Hugh Reynolds

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

1 Joshua Jacobson

2 Dennis Harms

3 Sarah Beaulieu

3 Kaelyn Schroll

**APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Richard & Carol Cartier

2 Joe & Jackie Dees

**OUR REDEEMER ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

		<b>3/28 – 4/4</b>
<b>Today</b>	Pastor's Bible Study	9:00am
	Youth & Children's Sunday School	9:00am
	Worship Service	10:00am
<b>Thursday</b>	Maundy Thursday	6:30pm
<b>Friday</b>	Good Friday	6:30pm
<b>Saturday</b>	Car Communion	9:00am
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Sunrise Service	7:30am
	Worship Service 3	10:00am

HOW	THIS WEEK (03/28)	NEXT WEEK (04/04)
Altar Guild	Ingrid Roelfs Mary Losey	(7:30am) Marianne Dabbs (10:00am) Lauren Johnston
Accompanist	Praise Band	(7:30 am) Steve Eng (10:00am) Jess Della Croce
Lector	Vern Roelfs	(7:30am) Martha Wilkins (10:00am) Carol Shearer