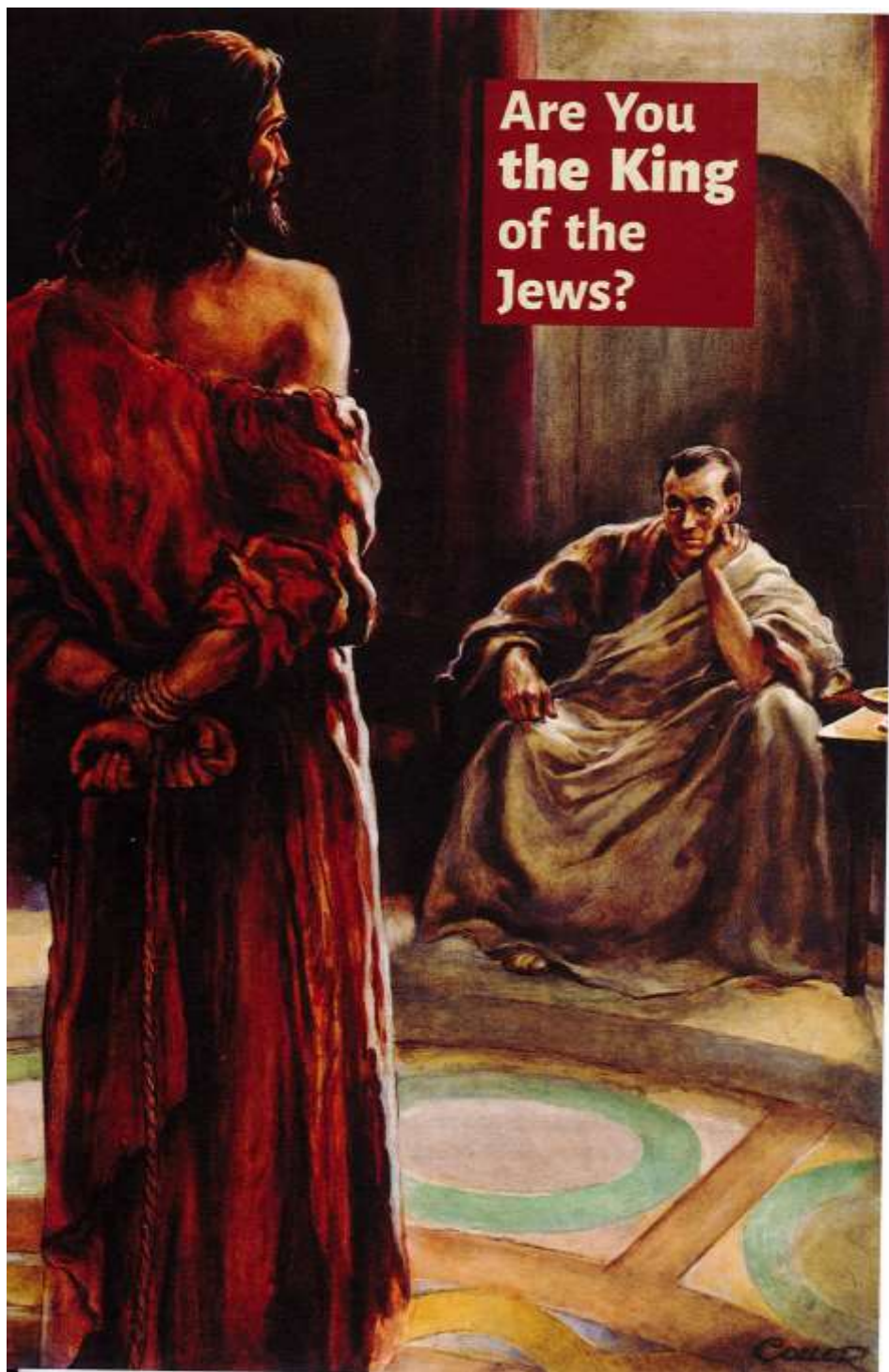


**Are You
the King
of the
Jews?**



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

Greeter This Week: Dickie & Cathie Bettge

Greeter Next Week: Daren & Dawn Otto

Reader This Week: Johnna Kethan

Reader Next Week: Trish Hood

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: M'Liss Moore & Carly Waters

Altar Guild Next Month: Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker

Communion Assistant This Month: Obert Sagebiel

Communion Assistant Next Month: Brian Wendel



Large Print Bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for a copy.

Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude. Please show your respect with silent meditation at this time.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

John 12:12-19

(Page 936, RSV Pew Bible)

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, ¹⁵"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" ¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Stand p. 77: BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

HYMN: LBW #108 "*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*"

page 78-79: KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray

All Almighty and everlasting God, you have sent your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all of humanity should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1-7

(Page 794, RSV Pew Bible)

“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samar’ia, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel come! ²Pass over to Calneh, and see; and thence go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are they better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, ³O you who put far away the evil day, and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴“Woe to those who lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the midst of the stall; ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David invent for themselves instruments of music; ⁶who drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first of those to go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves shall pass away.”

RESPONSIVE READING

The Righteous Enter Through the Gate

The Lord answers his people and becomes their salvation. The works of the Lord are marvelous in the sight of his people. They give thanks and praise to God for he is good. God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Psalms 118:19-29

(Page 531-532, RSV Pew Bible)

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

²⁰“**This is the gate of the Lord;
he who is righteous may enter.**”

²¹I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.

²²**The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

²³This is the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴**On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

²⁵Hosannah, Lord, hosannah!
Lord, send us now success.

²⁶**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the Lord.**

²⁷God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸“**You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.**”

²⁹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

SECOND READING

Revelation 3:14-22 (Page 1074, RSV Pew Bible)

¹⁴“And to the angel of the church in La-odice’a write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God’s creation.

¹⁵“‘I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were cold or hot! ¹⁶So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew you out of my mouth. ¹⁷For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing; not knowing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.

¹⁸Therefore I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, that you may be rich, and white garments to clothe you and to keep the shame of your nakedness from being seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see.

¹⁹Those whom I love, I reprove and chasten; so be zealous and repent.

²⁰Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. ²¹He who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I myself conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. ²²He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Stand page 83: GOSPEL VERSE “Return to the Lord”

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 19:16-26 (Page 853-854, RSV Pew Bible)

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 19th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*sung*)

¹⁶And behold, one came up to him, saying, “Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?” ¹⁷And he said to him, “Why do you ask me about what is good? One there is who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments.” ¹⁸He said to him, “Which?” And Jesus said, “You shall not kill, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness,

¹⁹Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁰The young man said to him, “All these I have observed; what do I still lack?” ²¹Jesus said to him, “If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in

heaven; and come, follow me.”²² When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions.

²³ And Jesus said to his disciples, “Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴ Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁵ When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, “Who then can be saved?” ²⁶ But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*sung*)

Sit MESSAGE

HYMN: LBW #406 *“Take My Life, that I May Be ”*

Stand page 85: APOSTLES’ CREED

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Stand page 86: SHARING OF THE PEACE

Sit OFFERING

Stand Page 96: OFFERTORY “Create in Me”

page 97: PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

HYMN: WOV #775

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to Your children praying,

Lord, send Your spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying,

Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace!

page 97: THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN: LBW #121 *“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”*

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 4/14	Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Property Team Meeting
		9:00 a.m.	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
		10:15 a.m.	Worship
		*2:00-4:00 Confirmation Class	
Mon 4/15		10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours	
Tues 4/16		10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours	
Wed 4/17	Office Closed		
		10:00 a.m.	Comm. Service Cuero Nursing & Rehab.
		1:30 p.m.	Quilters
Thurs 4/18		10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours	
		7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service with Communion
		*Committee Reports Due	
Fri 4/19		10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours	
		7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service
		*Newsletter Deadline	
Next Sun	Easter Sunday		
		7:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service & Pancake Breakfast
		9:15 a.m.	Resurrection Egg Hunt
		10:15 a.m.	Worship

Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John's.



Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.

Sunday, April 7, 2019

General \$1,250.00, MOM \$450.00, Sunday School \$73.17, Organ \$20.00, Building \$25.00, OSC \$20.00, Church Reno. \$370.00

Total : \$2,208.17

Attendance: Worship - 74 Sunday School - 8 Children, 15 Adults Confirmation - 9

Lenten Wednesday, April 10, 2019

General \$490.00, Building \$20.00, MOM \$120.00, Church Reno. \$5.00

Total: \$635.00

Attendance: 32

Mission of the Month of April



Mission Statement

Mission for the Month of April 2019

NALC Disaster Response Fund

Storms and Flooding in the Midwest

Because of the recent storms and flooding in the Midwest and the immediate need for funds, we will be contributing to the disaster relief for this area. The NALC Disaster Response is currently working in the recovery effort. Getting these farms, who produce most of the food for the world, up and running again is of the utmost importance.

NALC Disaster Response Fund

This fund provides resources to respond rapidly when domestic natural disasters occur, to alleviate human suffering, provide transitional assistance, and enable those affected to begin the rebuilding process. The NALC's Disaster Response Coordinator administers the use of the fund, working cooperatively with and through local NALC congregations and members, as well as other compatible disaster relief organizations such as LCMS Disaster Response.

Please note: This fund is for domestic disasters only. Gifts for international disaster relief should be directed to Lutheran World Relief or the international relief organization of your choice.

Youth Group



This month St. John's Youth Group will be leading the Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 21st. The service will be held in the old stone church and we hope everyone will be able to join us in celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Immediately following the Sunrise Service, the Youth Group will also be hosting a pancake breakfast. So please make plans to join us on Easter Sunday. Additionally our Youth Group is partnering with Warrior's Weekend to honor Veterans who have

served in the U.S. Military. Please contact a youth group member if you are interested in purchasing a flag for this year's Field of Honor. Cost of the flags is \$40 and the sales of these flags support Warrior's Weekend which pays tribute to our Veterans. Flags will be sold each Sunday after church through April 28th. A portion of the flag sales will also be donated back to our Youth Group to use for future activities. For more information or to purchase a flag contact Wendy Bishop at (361)935-2123.

Vacation Bible School

We need volunteers to help with this one week during the summer. The Luther Hill Counselors will be leading the Day Camp, so you know it will be fun! The dates are June 9th (Sunday) thru 14th (Friday) 8:30 am till 3:30 pm. Joie Caskey, M'Liss Moore, Cathie Bettge, Pam Haun and Virginia Abrameit have volunteered so far. M'Liss will be our contact person, 361-275-8069. We especially need some 16 year old or older teens to be Junior counselors. The ages for campers is 6 - 12, and those between the ages of 13 and 15 can be helpers too! We will have a sign-up sheet and registration forms in the Narthex.

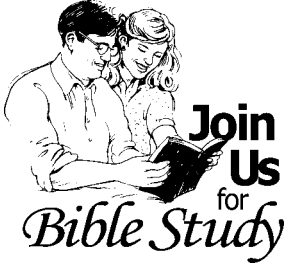


Bible Study

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? The dictionary describes a disciple as a follower, student or apprentice of a teacher or leader.

Our Sunday Morning Bible study begins a new Two Part series titled "Disciples of the Cross". Part one is "Who We Are" and will be followed by Part Two, "What We Do".

Our group invites you to join us for this interesting look at "what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how that plays itself out in many areas of life and ministry." Just get up a little earlier and come in for a cup of coffee, a couple of donut holes or a cookie or two, some fun fellowship and a discussion of our lesson and current events each Sunday morning. We would love to have your input.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FISH FRY

- Good Friday - April 19th

The Habitat for Humanity will have their annual Good Friday fish fry at St Mark's Lutheran Church in Cuero from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm with plates to go. Advance tickets can be purchased at Meyersville Store for \$10.00. Plates will be delivered to the store at 11:30 am on April 19.



Easter Schedule

Thursday, April 18th :

7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

Friday, April 19th :

7:00 pm - Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday, April 21st :

7:00 am - All Youth Group Members participating in the Sunrise Service, need to be at the Old Stone Church.

7:30 am - Sunrise Service/Pancake Breakfast

Youth Group will host a Pancake Breakfast in the Parish House after Sunrise Service, before Sunday School. Everyone is welcome! During the Sunday School hour, we will have a Dramatic Re-enactment of the first Easter and the Empty Tomb. Parents are encouraged to see this exciting presentation.

9:15 am - Annual Resurrection Egg Hunt. Remember, eggs signify new life in Jesus! You can bring an Easter Basket or we will have some Easter bags.

10:15 am - *Easter Worship~HE is RISEN!*

~Please come and help us celebrate Easter, the cornerstone of our Christian Faith. Bring a friend!



GOD
is Listening

Special Prayers for Cole

~UPDATE~

After extensive research, many prayers and overwhelming support, Cole will be going to China for treatment of his injury. It is felt this is the best chance



for his recovery. Cole will be in China possibly up to

six months for this treatment. We ask that you will keep Cole and his family in your prayers each and every day as they continue on this difficult journey. God has been with Cole every step of the way and by faith we know he will continue to do so. We want to thank each and every one for the past thoughts, prayers and support for Cole and his family. They have truly been a blessing. May God bless you all.

+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+

At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:

Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual

To help family stay strong

Patience

Stay positive

The drive to keep trying (perseverance)

We keep the family of Edna L. Morris in our Prayers. May God comfort them at their time of loss.



Church Renovation Update



Our new bathroom is not quite complete, but the contractor is letting us use it until final finish work is completed. The contractor is in the process of pouring necessary concrete for the elevator shaft. The estimated costs for construction, change orders, materials testing, architect, and incidentals is \$599,553. We are required to pay as construction progresses so the bills are coming in on a regular basis. This project received almost unanimous support so we ask that you prayerfully consider giving generously to this project.

GOAL: \$599,553

RECEIVED AS OF April 7, 2019: \$379,055

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And please update your request at least once a month so the list can be kept current and up to date. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel at (361)275-5979.

Our Military and their families:

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force,

Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves

John Otto - USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force

Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, Staff Sergeant, Fort Rucker, AL,
going to Warrant Officer Candidate School then to Army

Aviation Flight School

Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force

Michael Petrash II - Iraq

Please Pray for: Adam Womble

Nate Boehl

Hunter Jacob

Glynn Yurick

Kenny Jacob

Cole Ohrt

Carlton Migura

Robby Bitterly

Carly Waters

Seth Wendel

Marv Sager

Joy Hoy

Slade Doehrman

*(Slade likes to receive cards, his address is:
11049 FM 236, Cuero 77954)*

Nursing Home: Yorktown Manor ~ Marjorie Ideus, Barbara Mueller

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun



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Palm/Passion Sunday

April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday/Sunday of The Passion (Year C)



The Gospel for today starts off with the evil plot to kill Jesus which was conceived by the religious leaders and Satan working through Jesus' disciple, Judas. Before that will come to pass, Jesus spends precious time with his followers giving them instructions for the days to come, as well as preparing them for the future of the movement. This will be the last time Jesus will eat of this meal until all is fulfilled.



God is not praised if He is not loved; He is not loved if He does not do good; He does not do good if He is not gracious; He neither is nor can be gracious if He does not forgive sins; and He does not forgive sins except for Christ's sake.

-Martin Luther-

In response to a question, "How, when, and why is God honored and praised?"

(January 1, 1532)

Worship Notes:

With the beginning of Lent we change to the second setting for our worship service. So this morning's service will begin on page 77 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). Another change in our worship service during Lent is the tradition of "burying the Alleluia". In keeping with the more somber, reflective tone of the Lenten season we omit the Hymn of Praise. So immediately after the Kyrie where Pastor John speaks a line and we respond with "Lord have mercy," we skip the Hymn of Praise and go directly to page 82 in the LBW and the "Prayer of the Day". The final change for Lent is the Gospel acclamation changes to "Return to the Lord for he is"