April 9, 2017
Palm Sunday - Confirmation
Music: Janice Lehmkuhl

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Almighty God,
Let the perfect faith and obedience of Christ inspire us to trust You to rescue us from all trouble as we live our lives for You. In His name we pray. Amen.

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The order of worship begins on page 151 in the front of the hymnal. Holy Communion will be celebrated today, so the Hymn of Praise is "This is the Feast". After the offertory and prayer, we begin the communion liturgy with the Prayer of Thanksgiving on page 161.
*White grape juice is available for those who prefer non-alcoholic communion wine.

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Hymns: 442, 443, 450
Text: Isaiah 50:4-9
Sermon: "No Looking Back"

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CHURCH ATTENDANCE:

April 2, 2017	128
Sunday School	40
Lenten Service	42

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Bible verse to memorize this week: John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Please feel free to join us Sunday at 8:30 for our Bible study class. Next Sunday we will be discussing Romans 8:35 - 39.

Our Circuit Visitor, Rev. Wayne Bernau, will meet with the church council on April 22nd, 9-11 a.m. Others are welcome to come as well.

Today's Special project offering is designated for the Sunday school teacher's appreciation dinner.

Thank you to all who helped with the Spring Luncheon and Bake Sale this past Sunday.

ATTENTION GUILD MEMBERS: The Guild meeting has been changed to April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Also please note that the Spring Rally is on April 29th at Peace.

The Portals of Prayer for April- June are on the table in the Narthex. Please take one.

Prayer Partners Pondering: Last week in the account of Jesus in the garden, we saw that Jesus said the same prayer 3 times, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will." Then the arrest, trial and crucifixion happen. What could have been some of Jesus' thoughts? And when things happen in your life after you have prayer, what are your thoughts? As with Jesus, I think much of it depends how well we know the Father.

The reading from "The Story" for today and this week is chapter 16.

The Bibles on the table in the Narthex are there to be taken. Please help yourself.

The annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction will be Fri., April 21st at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 2102 Lor Ray Dr., North Mankato. The dinner is served from 5-7 pm. A free will offering will be received, supplemented by Thrivent Financial. The Silent Auction is from 4:30 – 6:30 pm, followed by the live auction.

FREE- Upright piano, still plays beautifully, if interested please call Beth at 612-210-9785.

"Lord, Is It I?" A Community Portrayal of the Last Supper will be presented at Zion Lutheran Church, 814 Brooks St., Arlington this evening, April 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Please bring an item for the food shelf or cash donation to be given to Sibley County Food Shelf.

Lutheran Social Services is sponsoring a class consisting of a 6 week – 90 minute session entitled "Powerful Tools for Caregivers". It takes place at Ridgeview Sibley Medical Center, Arlington from 2:00 – 3:30 pm every Thursday starting April 13th and ending May 18th. Please contact Barb Alsleben at 320-221-3747 or Sara Doering at 320-221-4513 to pre-register or for more information.

12 Steps for Christian Living Support Group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the Gaylord Library. Also Anger Management meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at the Gaylord Library. For more information on these Community Outreach programs please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

On April 23rd at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 126 Maple St. N, Lester Prairie, at 7:00 p.m. Pastor and author Peter Preus will present "When Believers Consider Suicide". For more information on this event, please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation in Wittenburg, Germany with Paul Otte October 19th – November 2nd, 2017. For more information on this tour contact bpotte@mchsi.com or call 320-587.5215. A complete description of the trip is posted on the bulletin board.
In 2017 we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. We will remember this anniversary year in various ways all during 2017.

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	8:15 a.m.	Sunday school
	8:30 a.m.	Bible study
	9:30 a.m.	(Confirmation) Worship service with Holy Communion
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Worship Service
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Bible study
	9:30 a.m.	Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion
	11:30 a.m.	Worship Service at Highland Commons with Holy Communion

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