

Palm & Passion Sunday

April 10, 2022

9:30 AM



HAVEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

1035 Haven Road Hagerstown, MD 21742 (301) 733-5056

Worship with Communion: Sunday 9:30 a.m. (in-person & Haven's Facebook 'Live')

(<https://www.facebook.com/Haven-Lutheran-Church-134647913268366>)

Ministers: All God's People at Haven Pastor: Linda M. Alessandri

COME LET US WORSHIP

A warm welcome to each of you as we gather for worship today and a special welcome to our guests. As we offer God our praise, may you be richly blessed by God's gracious Word, Meal and community.

HAVEN IS WORKING TO PROTECT EVERYONE'S HEALTH AS WE WORSHIP

- The air in Haven's sanctuary is circulated 24/7 through ionizing filtering system.
- We are following the latest CDC guidelines, masks are optional and left to your discretion.
- If you are feeling poorly or have a temperature, please join worship on-line. Call the church to be added to the prayer list or speak with the pastor.
- Hand sanitizing stations and masks are available at both entrances. There are also hand sanitizers in each pew. Please sanitize frequently.
- There are chairs for those who wish to social distance in the narthex.
- Passing of the peace will be from your seat (wave, bow or fist bump).
- Communion will be distributed around the altar rail. Please follow the directions of your ushers to come forward. Communion can be brought to you if you prefer not to come forward.

Pass on the word that Haven is a good place to worship, with safeguards in place to combat COVID during these challenging times.

Like Jesus, we strive to invite, welcome and include everyone. Thus, practicing good hospitality, PLEASE do not ask or quiz persons about their mask choice OR their vaccination status.

“I was glad when you said, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” Psalm 121:1

Introduction to Today’s Worship: *Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, our walk with Jesus from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his death and burial. Today’s worship launches us into that observance. We begin with our Palm Sunday celebration and a parade honoring Jesus, proclaiming him to be our Savior and King. But, as it did some two thousand years ago, there is a sudden and dramatic change of direction. We move into our Passion Sunday remembrance. The tone becomes more somber as we force ourselves to face the painful, unjust, degrading, and deadly events that lead to Jesus’ crucifixion.*

You will see that shift of focus begin with the reading of the gospel and continue during today’s Eucharistic Meal — a meal created and commanded by Jesus “on the night he was betrayed.” There will be no sermon today, so we stay focused on Jesus and the path he accepted for the love of all. Before coming to communion, we will offer our confession of those things that betray our Lord, that clearly show we need a Savior to free us. Then we will silently receive the gift of our Lord’s body and blood as St. Luke’s telling of our Lord’s Passion is read. Take care to tune into the story as if you are hearing it for the first time. Let the truth and meaning of Christ’s sacrifice and love pierce through its familiarity to lay open your heart for Holy Week.

We conclude the service simply. We end our worship ready to prayerfully consider the events and meaning of the last week of Jesus’ life, in preparation for “the rest of the story” — the resurrection. Please accept the invitation to enter into this Palm to Passion Sunday worship service.

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

“The Palms”

Verse 1

*O'er all the way green palms and blossoms gay
Are strewn this day, in festal preparation.
Where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away,
E'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare.*

Chorus

*Join all and sing, His name declare,
Let every voice resound with acclamation:
Hosanna! Praise to the Lord!
Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT

A: Teach me your way, O Lord,

C: that I may walk in your truth. (Psalm 86: 11)
(after announcements)

A: You are my refuge and my fortress.

C: You are my God in whom I trust. (Psalm 91:2)

A CALL TO WORSHIP AND HOLY WEEK

HYMN

“The Palms”

Verse 2

*His word goes forth and people by its might
Once more regain freedom from degradation.
Humanity doth give to each his right,
While those in darkness are restored to light. (Chorus)*

Verse 3

*Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem,
Of all thy sons sing the emancipation.
Through boundless love the Christ of Bethlehem
Brings faith and hope to thee forevermore. (Chorus)*

Chorus

*Join all and sing, His name declare,
Let every voice resound with acclamation:
Hosanna! Praise to the Lord!
Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation.*

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

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

C: Hosanna in the highest.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 19th chapter.

Luke 19:28-40

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(after the gospel is read)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P: Let us pray. We praise you, O God,
for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.

**C: Today he entered the holy city in triumph
and was proclaimed Messiah and King
by those who spread garments and branches along his way.**

P: Bless these branches and those who carry them.

Be in these hands wands of joy
to celebrate the One coming in the name of the Lord;
be here instruments of faith
beyond the common longing for our ways;
be for us the wave of abandon to God's way of the cross
and the victory of love's pure sacrifice in hope!

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C: Amen.

PROCESSION

A: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the name of Christ. Amen.

(Any one is welcome to join the Palm Procession, following the cross and the Pastor several times around the altar and nave, finally stopping in the area around the baptismal font. PLEASE remember to put six feet between yourself and the person ahead of you who is not from your household.)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

(cont. p. 5) #344

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain

now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
 cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
 To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

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

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

CHILDREN'S PRAYER AROUND THE FONT

PRAYER OF THE DAY C: **Amen.**

WORD

PSALM

Psalm 31:9-16

(The congregation reads the verses in bold print.)

⁹ Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰ **For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

¹¹ I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹² **Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³ For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴ **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.**

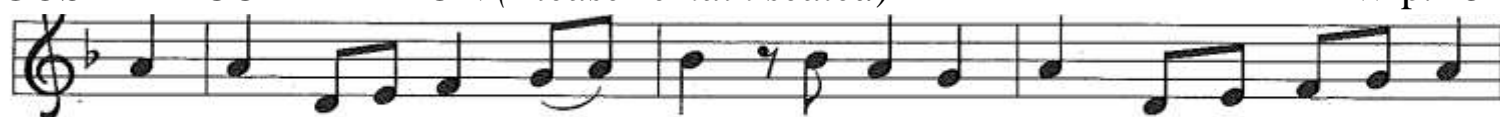
¹⁵ My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶ **Let your face shine up on your servant; save me in your steadfast love."**

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Please remain seated*) "Return to the Lord" ELW p. 151



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE GOSPEL Luke 22: 1-13

P: The Gospel according to St. Luke the 22nd chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Assisting Minister: ¹Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. ²The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus to death, for they were afraid of the people. ³Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; ⁴he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. ⁵They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. ⁶So he consented and began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.

Pastor: ⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us

that we may eat it." ⁹They asked him,

Assisting Minister: "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?"

Pastor: ¹⁰"Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters ¹¹and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' ¹²He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there."

Assisting Minister: ¹³So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

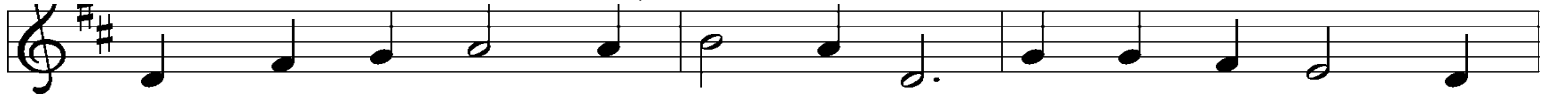
P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN

“Great God, Your Love Has Called Us”

#358



1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,
as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,
call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty



though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems
but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that



heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
mer - cy seat, and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

THE PRAYERS Each prayer ends: “Merciful God,” C: “**receive our prayer.**”

*When the petition is read that includes those listed in our prayer list, the **congregation** is invited to join in that prayer by reading aloud the names below. Read only the **bold** portion of the names, going down the columns. (*Friends & Family of Haven Members)*

Carol Shull
Harold Rice
***Virginia** White
***Edward** Staley
***Helen** VanderHamm
***Courtney** Belmont
***Caitlyn** Battoe
***Diana** Grimes
***Brandi** Allsop
***Seth** Battoe
***Debora** Daniels
***Johnny** Wright
***William** Burkley
Larry & Sharon
Hartsock

***Amanda** Cunningham
***Marci** Dean
***Rod & Patty**
Bonebrake
***Linda** Hollar
***John** Crafton
***Duane** VanScyoc
***Jack** Byers
***Thomas** Family
Pam O’Connor
***Becky** Keller
***Sherry**
***Sue** Mackin
***Jim** Merrit
***Robert** Young

Scott Rhodes
***Vicki** McKiusker
***Corey** Morgan
***Krista** Myers
***Ed** Davis
***Archie** Caldwell
***Teresa** Hoover
Manspeaker Family
Sue Britton & Family
***Delores** Zierdt
***Jim** Bohn
***Camellia** Avila
***Jay** Morgan
***Charles** Hutzell
***Maxine** Stahley
Blickenstaff Family

*Our homebound members: **Irene Giffin, Sari Kilheffer, Phyllis Meyers, Inez Winebrenner and Dorothy Zinkand.***

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: We share signs of God’s peace with one another.

(Extend God’s peace to others from your seat for now. A wave, bow or fist bump is the safest. Include a wave to those participating at home. There is hand sanitizer in the pews.)

THE MEAL

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 our thanks to the Lord our God,

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: ¹⁴When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

¹⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,
"Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

¹⁹Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

²⁰And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying,

"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

²¹But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table.

²²For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined,
but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!"

C: ²³Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

(Luke 22:14-23)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS - AN INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

P: Trusting in the promises of our baptism and the body and blood of Jesus which we are about to receive, we come to our gracious and merciful God, confessing our ongoing need for healing and forgiveness.

(Silence is kept for personal reflection)

P: Gracious God,

C: our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,

what our hearts can no longer bear,

and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;

open to us a future in which we can be changed;

and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image;

through Jesus Christ, my Lord and my God. Amen.

P: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, *(John 1:29b)*

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

C: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word and I shall be healed.

(Matthew 8:8)

P: When we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and

cleanses us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:9) To all who receive Christ, who believe in His name, He gives power to become children of God. Come eat the bread of life. Come drink the cup of salvation.

C: Amen.

“Lamb Of God”

p. 154



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*To continue our movement into the Passion part of our Holy Week observance, there will be **no hymns sung and no words spoken** by the pastor and communion assistant during the distribution of the sacrament. (Children will be silently blessed with the sign of the cross traced on their foreheads.)*

Instead, the Passion of Our Lord according to St. Luke will be read. You received a copy of the reading in your bulletin. The reading will begin midway down page 2.

***Congregation is invited to read aloud the parts marked with bold print.** But you may also choose to simply listen fully and carefully to this sacred story. In either case, let the truth of it enter your heart to be pondered over the week. It is a story of love that has no match, that knows no bounds and is given freely to you.*

Pastor will commune those reading the Passion Story first. Next, Pastor will commune with those worshipping at home. Pastor will invite all to consume their host by holding it up silently and the same with the cup of grape juice. Then pastor and communion assistant will commune the musicians and acolyte and finally the congregation following the directions below.

For those communing in the church at the altar rail:

We will be returning to receiving communion at the altar rail. Masks are optional. The usher will invite your row to go to the rail using one aisle. Since it has been over two years since we've communed at the altar rail, we've placed colored ribbons on the altar rail to correspond to each seating section. RED - section closest to the pulpit. GREEN middle section on the pulpit side. PURPLE middle section on the processional cross side. BLUE section on the processional cross side. Pastor will distribute the bread in silence. The assisting minister will offer wine or grape juice in silence. Please place the used cup in the basket offered by the acolyte. Please use the aisle on the other side of your pew to return to your seat.

For those who prefer to commune coming forward individually in a line. *Please come forward when pastor comes to the aisle of the section in which you are seated.*

For those communing at their place: *Pastor and the assisting minister will come to you. If an usher does not come to stand beside you so the pastor knows to come to you, please raise your hand as pastor looks around the sanctuary for any who still are to receive the sacrament.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

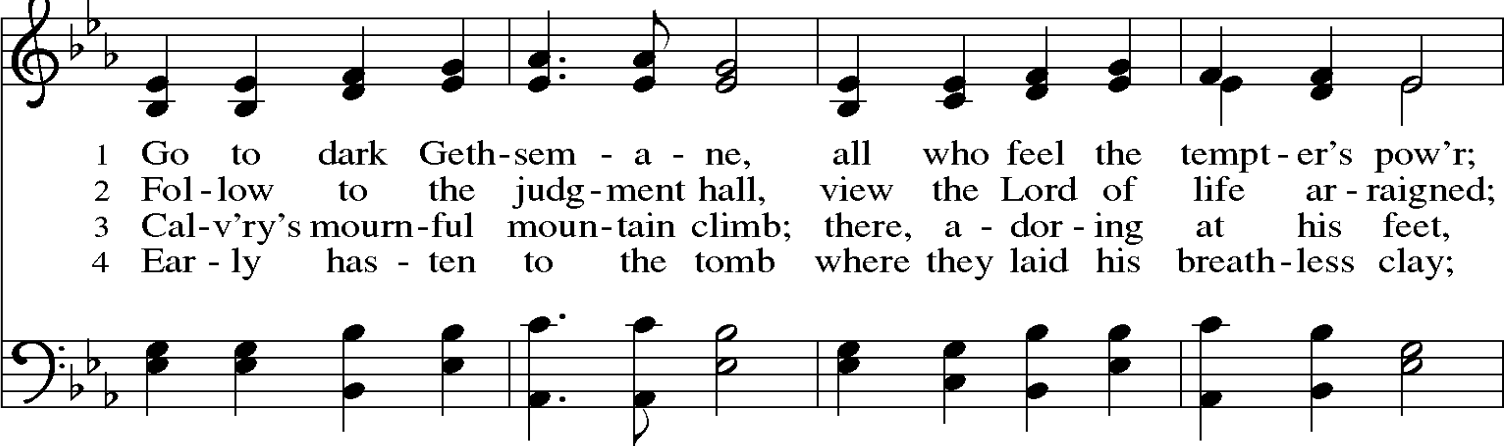
P: The blessing of God's eternal love, †
the courage to follow the way of the cross,
and the guidance of the Spirit
lead you this Holy Week and remain with you forever.

C: Amen.

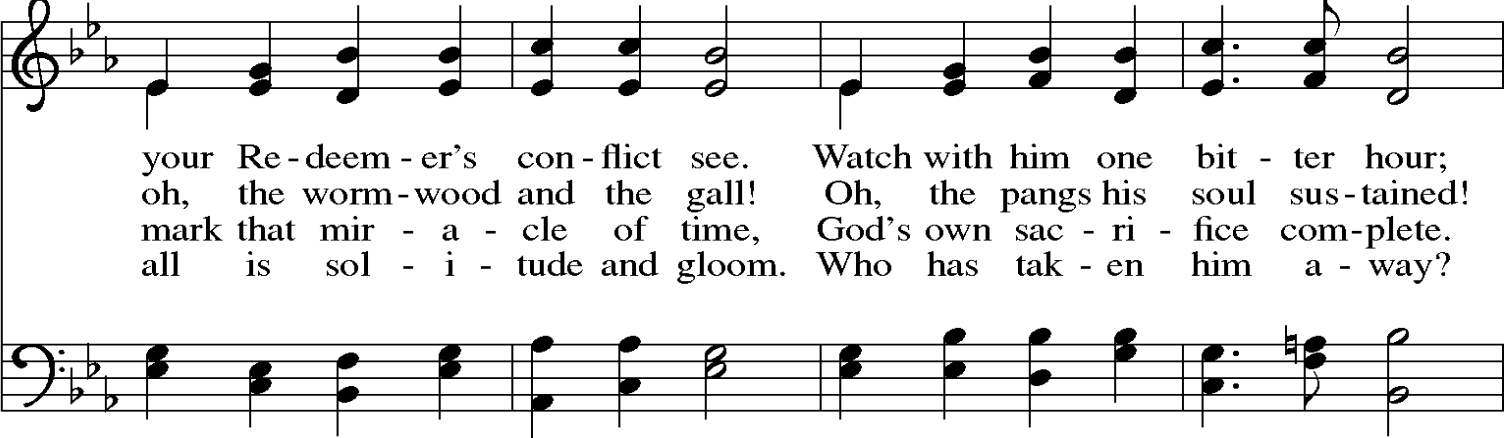
SENDING HYMN

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

(vs. 1-3) #347



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - raigned;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete.
all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
“It is fin - ished!” hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

POSTLUDE

“Meditation”

improvisation by S. Pastena

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Walk the Way of the Cross. Serve the Lord.

C: We will. Thanks be to God.

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Serving God’s People this Sunday Morning: April 10, 2022 ~ Palm/Passion Sunday

Presiding Minister Pastor Linda Alessandri

Assisting Minister Marge Cunningham

Organist Stephen Pastena

Acolyte Ethan Rhodes

Ushers Will Seilhamer, Kim Pile, NEEDED

Coffee Fellowship Host(s) Dave & Sue Resh

Securing the Building Marge Cunningham, Ed Distad

We also Remember in Prayer:

Our homebound members: *Irene Giffin, Sari Kilheffer, Phyllis Meyers, Inez Winebrenner and Dorothy Zinkand.*

Military personnel serving in harm’s way: *Gavin Anderson, Ben Asbury, Amanda Bertucci, Richard Collins, Cole Conrad, Nick Graham, Michael McKenzie III, Travis Thompson, Hunter Wiles.*

Hospital Admissions: *PLEASE call Haven’s church office (301-733-5056) or Pastor Alessandri (301-745-4216) if you or a loved one have a planned or emergency admission to the hospital. We also want to add you or your loved one to our prayer list so our congregation can lift you up in prayer.*

Prayers for all those who mourn the loss of Darylene Blickenstaff, Lindsey Hoover and Art Hammond.

The Readings for next Sunday, April 17, 2022 ~ Acts 10:34-43, Isaiah 65:17-25 (alternate), Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15:19-26, Acts 10:34-43 (alternate), Luke 24:1-12, John 20:1-18 (alternate)

Serving God’s People Easter Sunday morning: April 17, 2022

Presiding Minister Pastor Linda Alessandri

Assisting Minister Aura Neikirk

Readers	Joan Schupp, Terry Trovinger, Grant Wills
Organist	Stephen Pastena
Acolyte	Piper Meredith
Ushers	Bob Snyder, Susan Strobl, Elaine Michael
Altar Flowers	Kim Pile
Coffee Fellowship Host(s)	Parish Life
Securing the Building	Marge Cunningham, Ed Distad



FAITH BUILDING TOGETHER!

As of April 3, \$85,440.30 has been donated toward our \$100,000 building loan. Wow! Thank you.

COMING UP THIS WEEK:

- April 11** 2:00 Parish Ed. Zoom meeting
6:00 Bell Choir
- April 12** 7:00 Choir
- April 13** **7am-7pm Prayer Vigil**
No Bible Study
7:00 Worship Team (*Note: Date change*)(*set-up for Agape meal*)
- April 14** **12:00 Maundy Thursday Worship** (*light lunch provided*)
5:30 Agape meal and Worship
- April 15** **OFFICE CLOSED**
12:00 Good Friday Service of the Word
7:00 Tenebrae Worship Service
- April 16** **8:00 PM Easter Vigil at Trinity Lutheran Church**
- April 17** **9:30 EASTER SUNDAY Worship Service** (in-person & Facebook Live)
10:30 Easter Refreshments and Fellowship
11:00 Easter Egg Hunt
NO Confirmation Class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For up-to-date information about church events and worship visit www.havenlc.org.

EASTER FOOD BASKETS – Thank you to everyone for their generous donations to the food baskets. Please drop off any other food items **TODAY**. Thank you.

HAVEN'S HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 ~ PRAYER VIGIL 7 am – 7 pm

Set aside an hour with the Lord.

A prayer vigil is an intentional and watchful time set apart for the purpose of prayer. Some optional materials will be available for use during your vigil time as well as the prayer request cards from Haven's Family and Friends.



THURSDAY, APRIL 14 ~ MAUNDY THURSDAY

12:00 noon Worship with Holy Communion (*light lunch provided*)

5:30 - 7:30 pm "Agape" Meal and Worship

The Agape ("Love") Feast dates to apostolic times when Christians gather to "feast" on God's Word, a simple meal, fellowship and the Holy Eucharist. Please RSVP by **no later than April 10** (301-733-5056).

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 ~ GOOD FRIDAY

12 noon Service of the Word Commemorating the Passion of our Lord

7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

The Tenebrae Service is a traditional Good Friday service of Light and Word commemorating the Passion and Death of our Lord. Be ready to walk into Easter with deeper appreciation.



SATURDAY, APRIL 16 ~ HOLY SATURDAY

Trinity Lutheran Church and Haven Lutheran Church to sponsor

AN EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 16 8:00 PM

at Trinity Lutheran Church (Hagerstown)

Trinity and Haven Lutheran will celebrate the Great Vigil of Easter on Holy Saturday beginning at 8pm. We gather outside the doors to Trinity's Memorial Hall (far right side of the front of the building).

There we kindle a "new fire" and with it, light the Pascal Candle which then represents the presence of Jesus amongst us. The congregation moves into the chapel for readings and prayers. The Vigil ends in silence, waiting to receive the first Eucharist of Easter on Sunday morning.





APRIL 17 ~ EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Easter Refreshments and Fellowship

11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt (Babies to Grade 5)



DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

HAVEN'S BLESSING BOX –We are in need of canned items such as: **tuna, soup, Chef Boy R Dee pastas, Mac & cheese.** We specifically would like items with pull tabs. The donation box is located in the narthex.



MATCHING FUNDS FOR DONATIONS to the Lutheran Disaster Relief efforts to aid our brothers and sister in Ukraine. Gifts will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by the crisis in Ukraine and neighboring countries. So far Haven has raised \$5,052 for this crisis response. **Checks payable to: Haven Lutheran Church memo line: Eastern Europe Crisis Response**

(FYI - We will send in donations immediately after Easter.)

Haven Mission Statement:

“To honor God, to reach out with love to our members and the community and to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.”