



Christ Lutheran Church E-News

March 30, 2023

Church Notes

Readings for Sunday, April 2, 2023

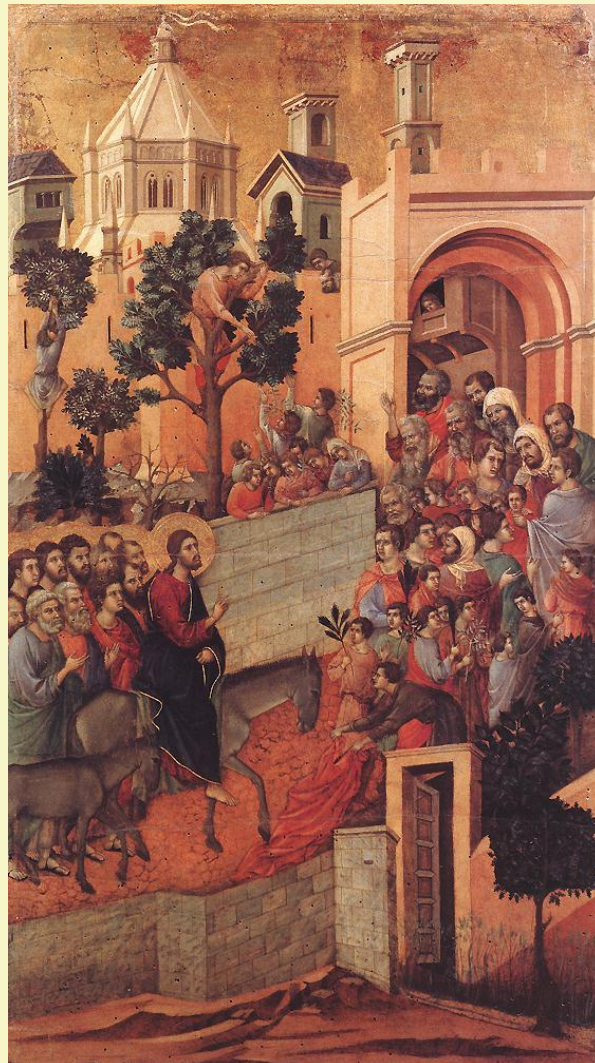
First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel: Matthew 27:11-54

Pastor David Hulse, Presiding



Worship Assistants for Sunday, March 26, 2023

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Greeters	Carol Virshbo and Pamela Bathen
Assisting Minister	Cathy Gallagher
Readers	Beth Gillece-Castro, Edie Lohr, and Russell Pollard
Tellers	Hilding Hedberg and Juliet Seaberg
Altar Guild	Ellen Zagajeski and Sophia Chan
Fellowship Hour	Ellen Zagajeski, Eric and Kathleen Kirleis

Music Notes

On Palm Sunday, the Bell Choir will play the premiere performance of Ross Petot's *Toccata for Bells* for the Prelude, as part of the Blessing of the Palms in the Parish Hall. Be sure to come early to hear this never-before-heard music!

The *Agnus Dei* from Benjamin Britten's *War Requiem* serves as the Offertory Music on Palm Sunday. Britten sets English poet Wilfrid Owen's (1893-1918) "One ever hangs where shelled roads part", sung by tenor soloist Tim Borchers over the "Agnus Dei" ("Lamb of God") mass text sung by the choir. Owen was an English soldier killed in battle during World War I in France. His writing describes a broken roadside shrine and crucifix in the midst of a battlefield...

*One ever hangs where shelled roads part. In this war He too lost a limb,
But His disciples hide apart; and now the Soldiers bear with Him.*

*Near Golgotha strolls many a priest, and in their faces there is pride
That they were flesh-marked by the Beast by whom the gentle Christ's denied.
The scribes on all the people shove And bawl allegiance to the state,
But they who love the greater love lay down their life; they do not hate.*

from *At a Calvary near the Ancre* by Wilfrid Owen

The Postlude on Sunday is Bach's chorale prelude on the German *Agnus Dei* (*Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless*, ELW 357).

Hymns for Sunday, April 2, 2023

Opening Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor (ELW 344)

Hymn of the Day: There in God's Garden (ELW 342)

Offertory Hymn: Now Is the Time of Grace (ACS 918)

Communion Hymn: Were You There (ELW 353)

Sending Hymn: On My Heart Imprint Your Image (ELW 811)

Palm Sunday

Where do the palm fronds that we wave on Palm Sunday come from? CLC uses palms from a socially and environmentally responsible organization, Eco-Palms. [Learn more about their work.](#)

Easter Flowers

To honor or memorialize your loved ones with Easter flowers, please fill out the Flower Envelope and place it in the offering plate during service **Sunday, April 2.**

This Sunday is the last Sunday to order your flowers.

You can also place an order with [the office](#).



CLC Appreciates!



Tellers Count!

We as Christians are encouraged to tithe of the abundance that God has given us. That often takes the form of a money donation to the church. This money may be received electronically or as cash/check. It is the latter forms that need to be counted and deposited each week. The Tellers are the people who count and deposit the money. The tellers are recording the income for the church, so people are

properly acknowledged and funding for specific projects, such as the Asylee Coalition, are distributed.

The tellers work as a pair, to ensure security for all contributions. The time involved is after the Sunday service and usually takes half an hour or less. A complicated deposit, such as Holy Week, with multiple services, may use additional tellers. The contributions are separated into categories, so your weekly pledge contribution is separate from a flower or memorial donation.

Each category is totaled and balanced to envelope totals. An internal teller's report and a bank deposit slip are written. Envelopes of what was deposited is given to the financial secretary assistant, who keeps the records of individual contributions. Treasurer and pastor receive the internal teller's report.

One of the tellers will take the sealed deposit to the bank and return keys to the church for the next week.

The most difficult part is getting the correct category recorded. Sometimes there is the challenge of reading someone's handwriting!

New tellers are always welcomed and they are paired with an experience teller, so they learn the process from an expert. Assignments are usually once every 5 weeks.

Yes, you should know how to count for this!

[Audrey Colson](#)

Book Group



The CLC Book Group will meet on **Tuesday, May 23** at 7:30 on Zoom to discuss *The Sacrament* by Icelandic writer Olaf Olafsson.

In *The Sacrament*, critically acclaimed novelist Olaf Olafsson looks deeply at the complexity of our past lives and selves; the faulty nature of memory; and the indelible mark left by the joys and traumas of youth. Affecting and beautifully observed, *The Sacrament* is both propulsively told and poignantly written—tinged with the tragedy of life's regrets but also moved by the possibilities of redemption, a new work from a novelist who consistently surprises and challenges.

Lenten Devotions

Christ Lutheran again offers Lenten Devotions with reflections and prayers each weekday for the season of Lent prepared by Rev. Richard Hurst, Russell Pollard, and Rev. John Stendahl.

Each Devotion begins with a hymn-based musical offering recorded by CLC members and guest musicians. The Devotions are available through our website christnatick.org and through a link sent each day by e-mail.

Office Hours - Week of April 2, 2023



Monday: 10-3
Tuesday: 10-3
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday: 8-1
Friday: 8-1

CLC on Social Media

If you have any events with church members you would like to share on our Facebook and Instagram pages, please send a 3-4 sentence paragraph and a picture to [the office](#) so we can post it.

Please be sure to like the [Christ Lutheran Church](#) page on Facebook to get all of our updates.

You can also follow us, [ChristNatick](#), on [Instagram](#).

Please invite your family friends to join us on social media.



Of Interest

2023 Family Promise Walk to End Homelessness April 30 at 1 pm



Our team, CLC Walkers, is now in second place in fundraising! Help us reach our team goal of \$5,000 by joining the team or donating at [CLC Walkers](#). Checks may also be given to Carol Virshbo.

Women of the ELCA

Visit [this site](#) to register.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

9AM - 2PM

Faith Lutheran Church

617-472-1247

201 Granite Street Quincy, MA 02169

Registration:

\$15 prior to April 14,

\$20 after

NEW ENGLAND WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Boston Metro Area Spring Gathering

WITH BRI NICHOLS

Meet Bri - dynamic speaker, podcast host, consultant, and founder of the nonprofit Resilient Roses Respite, focused on helping others through active community engagement.



Donations to Resilient Roses Respite can be made securely on their website:

<http://resilientrosesrespite.org>

OR please bring in-kind gifts of non-perishable food items, or gift cards to Target or Walmart

REGISTER ONLINE...

<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/6724548>

...OR MAIL IN

check payable to NE-WELCA. Mail registration form & payment to
Donna Mayo, 15 Roselin Ave, Quincy MA 02169

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Church Name: _____

Looking Ahead

Sunday, April 2 at 10:00 am: Palm Sunday Service
Thursday, April 6 at 7:30 pm: Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 7 at 7:30 pm: Good Friday Service
Saturday, April 8 at 8:00 pm: The Great Vigil of Easter
Sunday, April 9 at 10:00 am: Easter Sunday Service
April 10 - 14: CLC Family Promise Host Week

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