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- **Other CLC News:** Holy Trinity Lutheran, West Columbia SC, has called Ann Sprengeler, Markesan WI, to teach preschool through grade 2 in their Christian day school.

## Our Response of Faith — March 25, 2012

Attendance: 22

Unified Budget .....	\$225.00
Total.....	\$225.00



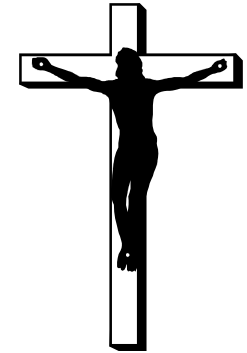
# Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## APRIL 1, 2012 – PALM SUNDAY

**Pre-service Meditation:** Ps. 24, pg. 128

**Organist:** Kristen Friedrichs

**Pastor:** Opening Prayer

**Hymn 160** — *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

**Pastor:** The Invocation

**People:** *Amen.*

**Pastor:** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord!

**People:** *Who made heaven and earth.*

**Pastor:** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**People:** *And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.*

**All:** O Almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee, and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy; and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**Pastor:** The Absolution

**People:** *Amen.*

## The Scripture Reading – Mark 11:1-10

Now when they drew near Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples; 2 and He said to them, "Go into the village opposite you; and as soon as you have entered it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has sat. Loose it and bring it. 3 "And if anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it,' and immediately he will send it here." 4 So they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door outside on the street, and they loosed it. 5 But some of those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, loosing the colt?" 6 And they spoke to them just as Jesus had commanded. So they let them go. 7 Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes on it, and He sat on it. 8 And many spread their clothes on the road, and others cut down leafy branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' 10 Blessed is the kingdom of our father David That comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

## The Nicene Creed -- Hymnal, pg. 22

**Hymn 725** — *No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet*

## The Sermon – Philippians 2:5-11

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant,

## Announcements

- **Thursday** — Maundy Thursday worship (communion) begins at Grace-Sleepy Eye begins at 7 p.m.
- **Friday** — Good Friday worship at Grace-Sleepy Eye begins at 1:30 p.m. Good Friday worship here at Faith will begin at 3 p.m.
- **Next Sunday (Easter)** — Grace-Sleepy Eye worship services begin at 9 a.m. Worship here at Faith begins at 10:45 a.m.
- **Cathy Fischer Update:** It has been determined at this time that Cathy Fischer (former Faith-New Ulm member; current Grace-Sleepy Eye member) will require further surgery for treatment of breast cancer. Cathy's surgery will take place sometime after Easter. Please keep Cathy and her family in your prayers.
- **April Church Council Meeting Moved One Week:** Due to Easter Sunday falling on the second Sunday in April, the Church Council meeting of Faith will be moved to the following Sunday, April 15.
- **Project Kinship Sponsorship:** Over the past few years, through the CLC's Project Kinship program, our congregation has been sponsoring a Nigerian seminary student, Anthony Isaiah, who has now graduated and is pastor at a Nigerian congregation affiliated with the CLC. A picture and some short details concerning Pastor Isaiah are available at the back of the church sanctuary.
- **CLC Board of Missions Newsletter:** Copies of the April 2012 CLC Board of Missions newsletter can be found on the table at the back of the church sanctuary.
- **From the ILC Board of Regents – Prof. Buck Retirement:** After 36 years of faithful service to the Lord and His Church, Professor Michael Buck shall be entering retirement. We will be marking this event with a special presentation during the Immanuel Lutheran College Commencement exercises on Saturday, May 19, 2012. This is a special opportunity to demonstrate our gratitude to the Lord for having given us this special gift in Prof. Buck who has humbly and so capably served us at ILC as well as the CLC for so many years. It is indeed appropriate for us to show our appreciation to Professor Buck for all he has meant to us these many years. A special plaque will be presented along with a monetary gratuity made up of your contributions to this fund. If you would like to contribute to Profes-

**People:** *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth! Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory! Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord! Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!*

## Pastor: The Lord's Prayer

**People:** *For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.*

## Pastor: The Words of Institution

**All:** *Amen. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace, Amen.*

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## The Nunc Dimittis

*Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy Word. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people. A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost! As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.*

Pastor: Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good!

**People:** *And His mercy endureth forever!*

## The Benediction

**People:** *Amen, amen, amen.*

**Hymn 162** — *Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty*

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and coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. 9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## “Christ Jesus’ Humiliation”

## The Offertory

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, And uphold me with Thy free spirit.*

**Hymn 367** — *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus*

## The Offering and Prayer

**Communion Today** -- Confessional Lutherans teach and believe that participation in the Lord's Supper is not only a precious means of grace, but also a statement of agreement with your fellow-communicants concerning the Bible's teachings. If you are a guest here today, before thinking of communing with us you will want to have an opportunity to compare the teachings of our church with your own beliefs. If you have questions or would like to consider communing with us in the future, please speak to the pastor to set up an appointment.

## The Service of Communion

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with thy spirit.*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**People:** *It is meet and right so to do.*

**Pastor: The Prefaces**