



**St. Paul's**

LUTHERAN CHURCH

***Reaching, Serving, and Growing Disciples***

# Palm Sunday



**Church, School and  
Early Childhood Center**

210 E. Pleasant St.  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066  
[www.splco.org](http://www.splco.org)  
262-567-5001

**Worship Schedule**

Saturday: 5pm traditional  
Sunday: 8am traditional  
Sunday: 10:30am contemporary

Advent, Lent, Summer special services

March 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Steven Scharnell, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Paul Borgman, Pastor Emeritus  
Jill George, Principal  
Volume 24

Adam Tanney, Youth Director  
Diane Bleke, Organist/Choir Director  
Christine Flores, Early Childhood Center (ECC) Director

Office Hours - 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Number 12

WELCOME to everyone, especially our guests.  
Your presence is important to us.

St. Paul's is an evangelical Christian congregation, embracing historic Christian teaching on all doctrines, centered on Jesus Christ. Our desire is to bring the Gospel both to those who are searching for answers to the meaning of life and to those who desire a closer relationship with God. We here at St. Paul's have chosen to align ourselves with the teachings of the Lutheran Reformation, due to the clarity with which these help us to see the true meaning of God's Word. Specifically, St. Paul's is a ministry of the Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod, one of America's truly biblical churches!

- **Members and guests:** please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate to indicate your presence today. For Holy Communion, please read our confession and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.
- Those sharing our beliefs, especially from parishes in fellowship with us, are welcome to receive.
- If you desire Holy Communion but hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, please speak with a Pastor or an Elder.
- Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

**Please note:** Half the inner circle of individual glasses in each tray contains water with **one drop** of communion wine for those hesitant to drink larger amounts of wine. Those glasses with wine are rose in color.

## PALM SUNDAY

**Come to worship.** As the prelude begins, worshippers are encouraged to conclude conversation and quietly prepare to enter into the experience of worship.

**Pastor:** Steve Scharnell

**Theme:** *His Holy Name*

Traditional Worship

**Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service 2, pg. 167**

Contemporary Worship

**Special Order**

## BIBLE STUDIES

**Reformation Bible Study**

**567-5001 Sun. - 9:15 a.m. Fellowship Hall**

**Salvation**

**567-8195 Tues. - 7:00 p.m.**

**Women's Bible Study**

**490-2879 Sat. (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) - 8:00 a.m. Whelan's**

The **radio broadcast** is sponsored by Joel & Cheryl Tesch in praise to God for their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on March 27<sup>th</sup>. St. Paul's 8:00 am church service can be heard Sunday over WTKM (104.9 FM) and worldwide at wtkm.com.

## REACHING DISCIPLES

**LWML**  
**Mission Minute Update**  
**Grant #2**  
**Mercy House for Women & Children-Flint Michigan**  
**\$100,000**

This PAID grant will remodel an existing house next to Franklin Avenue Mission in one of the poorest cities in America where 46% of the population and 66% of children live below the poverty level. Women and children will live in a safe environment where best practices of parenting and relationship building can be modeled and taught as a component to the ministry.

The South Wisconsin District has 4 more grants to complete before convention in June. Please keep feeding your Mite Box and keep these grants in your prayers!

### **PRAISE TEAM MUSICIANS NEEDED.....**

Our St. Paul's Praise Teams, who assist in leading the music for the contemporary worship services, are looking for musicians to join them. **Look2Him** Praise Team is in IMMEDIATE need of a lead guitarist. They practice every Tuesday evening from 7pm to 9pm in church.

**In His Light** Praise Team is looking for a drummer, a keyboardist and a violinist to fill out their team. They practice on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 9pm in the church.

Whether you play one of the above instruments or any other instrument, or if you are a singer and you would love to help lead the congregation with contemporary style praises to our Lord, please don't be shy about sharing your talents! It would be great to have enough people come forward to fill out the needs listed above and to also put together an "alternates list". Alternates would be musicians and singers that the teams could call on for occasional participation when a need arises.

Other opportunities to help: a few more people to learn to run the sound system and the power point for the 10:30 contemporary services. Training would be provided.

If interested in using your God given talents here at St. Paul's for our contemporary services, please contact Linda Leidel (Look2Him) via phone 262-569-2933 or email [laleidel@gmail.com](mailto:laleidel@gmail.com) or contact Michelle Oddsen (In His Light) via phone 262-434-0439 or email [michelle.oddsen@gmail.com](mailto:michelle.oddsen@gmail.com). "Rise up and praise Him!"

## SERVING DISCIPLES

### **WINE PULL**

The popular wine pull will be available at the Hero Crusade. Our goal is to raise \$600. To do that we will offer 30 bottles of wine at \$20 a "pull." Please help us make our goal a reality and consider donating a bottle of wine valued near the \$15 range. Donations can be left in the school office until Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Procession of Palms

*All gather around the processional cross.*

### Greeting

**P** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C Amen.**

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C Hosanna to the Son of David.**

### Collect

**P** Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

**P** The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So 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!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion,  
behold, your king is coming,  
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His 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. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

**P** Let us go forth in peace,

**C in the name of the Lord.**

### Processional Hymn: 442 (8am only—Choir: v. 3) All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*All arrive at their places.*

### Greeting

**P** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C Hosanna in the highest.**

# The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*Palm Sunday: His Holy Name*

*March 25—April 1, 2018*

## **His Holy Name (Pastor Scharnell)**

Our great and mighty Lord, creator of the universe humbled Himself, so much that He became man. He came to be lifted up in glory on the cross in order to cast out “the ruler of this world” and draw all people to Himself (John 12:23–32). The Church is thus called to “rejoice greatly,” because her King comes with salvation, and “he shall speak peace to the nations” (Zech. 9:9–10). So, God the Father has “highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9), that He might reign over us in love with the forgiveness of His cross.

## **The Order of Meditation and Prayer**

*Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

### **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### **Apostles' Creed**

**Christ-Centered Theme:** “All glory, laud, and honor to You, Redeemer, King, to Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.” (LSB 442:3)

**Verse:** 2 Corinthians 8:9 You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.

**Psalm:** Psalm 118 and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

Daily Psalms	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
<b>Morning</b>	84	119:73-80	34	5	38	22	43	84
<b>Evening</b>	42, 32	121, 6	25, 91	27, 51	126, 102	107, 130	31, 143	42, 32

**The Catechism: Table of Duties—Of Civil Government: Romans 13:1-4**

<p>Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Romans 13:1</b></p>	1 <sup>st</sup> grade+
<p>Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Romans 13:2</b></p>	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade+
<p>For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Romans 13:3</b></p>	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade+
<p>For he is God’s servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God’s servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Romans 13:4</b></p>	4 <sup>th</sup> grade+

**Palm Sunday: His Holy Name**

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299	
<b>Sun.</b>	The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem—John 12:12-19	Ex. 8:1-32	Heb. 1:1-14
<b>Mon.</b>	Jesus’ Betrayal and Arrest—John 18:1-27	Ex. 9:1-28	Heb. 2:1-18
<b>Tue.</b>	Jesus Faces Pilate—John 18:28-40	Ex. 9:29-10:20	Heb. 3:1-19
<b>Wed.</b>	Jesus Is Crucified—John 19:1-24	Ex. 10:21-11:10	Heb. 4:1-16
<b>Thur.</b>	St. John Passion: Jesus’ Side Is Pierced—John 19:25-42	Ex. 12:1-28	Heb. 5:1-14
<b>Fri.</b>	Lutheran Service Book Readings	Ex. 12:29-32; 13:1-16	Heb. 6:1-20

**Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul’s**

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

### **Daily Themes for Prayer**

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

### **In Our Prayers this Week**

**Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS** – Cheryl Tesch—recovering from knee surgery; John Tesch—recovering from knee surgery; Barbara Wildes; Maggie Urban—recovering from knee surgery; Margaret Voss—Lake Country Rehab; Brent Nicholson—kidney dialysis; Wayne Gartzke—stroke; Jim Hertneky—recovering from back injury; Glenn Gartzke—Melanoma; Frieda Antoniak—breast cancer; Larry Hansen; Timothy John Bratz—cancer; My Ubl—healing for multiple health issues; Carol Fellin—cancer; Bill Voss; Ken Groenke; Laura Gruen—brain tumor; Louise Lang; Mabel Fredrick; Linda Hansen (Steve's wife); Marian Faltersack; Rick Ware; Ed Krelwitz; Harry & Dorothy Peterson (Shorehaven); Barb Krug—shoulder surgery; Crystal Parker

**FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer:** Jimi Duer—pancreatic cancer; Marilyn Hastert (Angie Scharnell's stepmom)—liver cancer; Vern Adams; Debra Thurow (Dona's daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman's cousin) - breast cancer; Beth—Lymphoma; Sue Lentini (Dina Tanner's cousin)—cancer returned; Naomi Morris; Janice (Diane Bleke's sister); Tom—stage 3 bladder cancer; Liz (Barb Allwardt's sister)—colon cancer; Dylan Coughlin—3 year-old with brain tumor; Kevin Kloss (John Tesch's nephew)—Leukemia; co-worker of Michelle Pagenkopf; Mike—bone cancer; Roy Hyatt—cancer returned; Quinn—breast cancer; Julie; Kayla (7 years-old)—brain cancer; Linda F—breast cancer; Jack Anderson; Kim B.—breast cancer; Jeanie; Karen Peskie (Mike & Cheryl Reiner's sister-in-law)—Lymphoma; Dan (stage-four prostate cancer); Crystal Schultz; Joann Romain—kidney cancer; Ron Rafalski—throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer

**Other:** Arthur DelMoro (Cortney Ihde's grandpa)—hospice; Jean Schiellack (Shirley Dibble's sister-in-law); Susan—memory issues; Karen Beardsley—Sharon Peterson's sister; Sharon—circulation problems; son of a friend of the Juneau family with meningitis—surgery; Carol (Mark Prange's mom); Rev. William Meyer; Sicily (3 year-old)—Guillain-Barre syndrome; Shirley Katusich; Merita Dinnauer; Vicki Kuhl—afib; Sue Jansen (Shirley Dibble's niece); Rebecca Mills; Gail Albright; Chelsea Bunker—severe brain injury; Marlene Wille (wife of Jim, former St. Paul's members)—stage 3 colon cancer; Dan George (Jamie's brother)—liver disease; Karen Nicholson; Armin Tessmann—strength in walking; Michael Hamton; Karen Christenson—dementia & stroke; Regina Mills; Dory Schultz; Phyllis Ecklor (Shirley Dibble's sister); Shawn—vascular problems;

Kristal—lung surgery; Jonathan (Marilyn Marohn’s nephew)—in need of a kidney; Doug—CCL; Megan Bertram; Clem—high calcium heart; Bob—prostate problems; Linda—diabetic dementia; Barb (Dave Schlomer’s mom)—severe headaches; Sharon—probiotic/kidney problems; Pat—afib; Fred (Lynda Rades’s brother); Joel (Tina Gartzke’s nephew); Clarence; Pam; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan’s son)—MS; Paul Fellin

**Those serving in the military-deployed:** Justin Michener; PFC Nicholas Lang; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Captain Chad Kelling—Spain; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, Tom, Brad, Ben, Mike & Rob

**Those serving God as missionaries:** Christie Nelson (China), Ray Wigdal (China), Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer

**Those in need:** Our Shut-Ins; for family health and harmony of a member; the Froemming family; Matt, Brian—for mental clarity and to gain employment; friend of Heather Gartzke; for David; those struggling with addiction—Bob, Andy, George, Dan, Dee; Sarah, Kerri

**Anniversary:** Joel & Cheryl Tesch—25<sup>th</sup> —March 27<sup>th</sup>

**Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism**  
**Hymn of the Week: “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

**LSB 443**

**Looking forward to Easter Sunday**

**April 1, 2018**

**Hymns: 463, 465 (633, 474, 477) 461**

**What does the Resurrection Mean to \_\_\_\_\_? (Pastor O’Donnell)**

Isaiah is just one of the prophets to foresee the day of resurrection and the Kingdom of Heaven (Isa 25.6-9). Yet, even those well-schooled in the resurrection promises nevertheless find the news of Christ’s resurrection bewildering at first, like the women at the tomb (Mk 16.1-8). Others, like a young Pharisee from Tarsus named Saul, find the claims blasphemous, yet when confronted by the fact, everything changes, including his name, and his message, for the resurrection is true, and “of first importance.” (1 Cor 15.1-11)



**Zechariah 9:9** *“Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”* No king ever rode to war like this. But no king had ever come to wage battle by dying. In His Passion, our Lord Jesus gives everything He has and is; He does this to bring us from death to life and to make us His own people.

## St. Paul's Lutheran School ~ Celebrating 140 Years

### *A peek into our first grade classroom...*

First graders are counting down the days until spring. This week they planted flower seeds as well as “Easter grass” in milk cartons. After celebrating the Easter resurrection, the first and second graders will welcome Painted Lady butterfly larvae to their classrooms. They will observe and journal the metamorphosis of larvae to butterfly. Then they release them into the church flower gardens in May. We will see the beauty of God’s creation, as well as the Good Friday—Easter connection from death to new life in the life cycle of the butterfly.



### *Spelling Bee results...*

Our top spellers did very well, and St. Paul’s tied for second place with only one point behind first place. Participants (followed by grade) included Peyton Schmittinger (3<sup>rd</sup>), Keegan Metcalf (3<sup>rd</sup>), Rachael Boldt (4<sup>th</sup>), Adam Boldt (6<sup>th</sup>), Abigail Menzel (6<sup>th</sup>), Nadine Tanner (6<sup>th</sup>), Mia Thurow (7<sup>th</sup>), Drew Esveldt (8<sup>th</sup>) and Nathan Oelsner (8<sup>th</sup>). Alternates were Sabrina Menden (4<sup>th</sup>), Brenainn O’Donnell (4<sup>th</sup>), Jenny Mandel (5<sup>th</sup>), Isabelle Menden (5<sup>th</sup>), Annalee Duchow (7<sup>th</sup>) and Alex Johnson (8<sup>th</sup>).

*Mission Statement: Helping God’s children grow to be energetic servant leaders for HIM through love, respect, and a commitment to excellence.*

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to be directed to St. Paul's online giving webpage.



For the most current information on St. Paul's happenings, please visit our website at splco.org.

## UPCOMING EVENTS: March 26<sup>th</sup>–April 1<sup>st</sup>

### ADVANCE THE MISSION

### REACHING, SERVING & GROWING DISCIPLES

MONDAY March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Week Worship Holy Week Worship	Church Church	12:15 pm 7:00 pm
TUESDAY March 27 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Week Worship Holy Week Worship Praise Team Practice	Church Church Church	12:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Week Worship Holy Week Worship Adult Choir	Church Church Balcony	12:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
THURSDAY March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday Worship Maundy Thursday Worship Praise Team Practice	Church Church Church	12:15 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm
FRIDAY March 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>OFFICE CLOSSES AT 12:15 pm</b> Good Friday Chief Service Good Friday Tenebrae Service	Church Church	12:15 pm 7:00 pm
SATURDAY March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Holy Saturday Worship <b>NO SATURDAY EVE WORSHIP</b> AA Meeting	Church Fellowship Hall	12:15 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Sunrise Worship Easter Breakfast hosted by Youth Traditional Easter Worship Contemporary Easter Worship	Church Fellowship Hall Church Church	6:00 am 7:00 am 8:00 am 10:30 am

# ATTENDANCE

March 17/18

## Church Attendance:

5:00 pm—102

8:00 am—106

10:30 am—123

331 Total; 24 visitors; 307 members

ST. PAUL'S APRIL EPISTLE IS  
AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE AT  
SPLCO.ORG.

### FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN

We rejoice to have families with small children participating in our worship services. There are baskets available with items that might be helpful for your children behind the back pews.

## THIS WEEKEND

### 5:00 PM

### 8:00 AM

### 10:30 AM

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Diane Bleke	Diane Bleke	Look2Him
<b>Special Music</b>	Elsi Scheuer	Adult Choir	
<b>Acolytes</b>	TBD	TBD	Colton Koepke
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Brenda Jacobosky	Barb Hentz	Barb Star
<b>Elders</b>	Mike Tesch	Arno Kirchenwitz	Josh Oddsen
<b>Greeters</b>	Michelle & Brigitte Schlomer	Gary Pribnow (church) Shirley Smart (school)	Al & Kathy Mueller
<b>Lectors</b>	Amy Hackbarth	Cheryl Tesch	
<b>Power Point</b>	N/A	N/A	Leah Johnson
<b>Radio</b>	N/A	Chuck Muecke	N/A
<b>Ushers</b>	Todd Leonhardt	Bob Bratz	Truman Seifert

## EASTER SUNDAY 6:00 AM

### 8:00 AM

### 10:30 AM

	6:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Readings</b>	Isaiah 25:6-9	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Mark 16:1-8
<b>Acolytes</b>	TBD	Luke Boldt & Megan Frosch	TBD
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dorothy Duchow	Shirley Dibble & Marena Pine	Cheryl Oelsner
<b>Elders</b>	Bruce Bain	Rick Zastrow	John Melvin
<b>Power Point</b>	N/A	N/A	Erik Benes
<b>Radio</b>	N/A	Steve Hansen	N/A
<b>Ushers</b>	Gary Flanagan	Rick Zastrow	John Melvin

# **PALM SUNDAY**

## **Zechariah 9:9–12 ~ ESV**

*Pew Bible pg. 1013*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

## **Philippians 2:5–11 ~ ESV**

*Pew Bible pg. 1248*

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **St. Mark 11:1–10 ~ ESV**

*Pew Bible pg. 1077*

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

March 24/25, 2018