PALM SUNDAY.................................April 5, 2020

Welcome: What a joy it is that you have joined us today as we worship our Savior Jesus Christ. His perfect life, death and resurrection have won for us forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our worship service today, especially to you who are guests. Please sign the guest book at the entrance and join us again soon! If there is any way we can serve you, please speak to the Pastor.

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TODAY’S HYMNS: ....131....133....370....130...

Organist: David Bilitz

FIRST LESSON..................................Zechariah 9:9,10

PSALM OF THE DAY..............................Psalm 24 (p. 72)

SECOND LESSON...............................Philippians 2:5-11

GOSPEL LESSON...............................Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON..........................................Matthew 21:1-11

HOSANNA!

1. Man’s ideas
2. God’s plan

OFFERINGS TO OUR LORD (as of 3/29/20)
Smiths Mill: $1,530.00  Alma City: $3,008.00

Announcements:
Due to the Covid-19 Stay-at-Home order, social distancing, and our concern for the physical welfare of our members, all worship services and activities for all three churches are canceled until further notice.

Since we are even more concerned about your spiritual welfare, our worship services are available online at www.stjohn-trinity.org. Videos of the sermons are available at www.facebook.com/stjandtr

If you or someone you know would like paper copies mailed to you, please contact Pastor Bilitz.

This Palm Sunday evening, our WELS President, Pastor Mark Schroeder, will deliver a brief message to the members of our synod in an online video broadcast live at 6 pm at https://vimeo.com/402639801. If you are not able to view the video live, it will still be available online.

A private Christian funeral service (limited family only) will be held for Cody Spiess (34) on Wednesday morning at Trinity-Smiths Mill. If you would like to send a card and/or memorial to Cody’s family:

Ingrid Spiess, Jari and Otto
219 E. South St.
Janesville, MN  56048

Mike and Amber Spiess (Cody’s parents)
225 Pine St.
St. Peter, MN  56082

Catechism Classes are being conducted online on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Thank-you, students, for your co-operation.

We hope you will join us for our special Holy Week Services. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services will be online by 6:00 pm. Our Easter Service will be available by 6:00 am Sunday morning. We thank David Bilitz for playing hymns for our services.

The “Video Bible Study” will not be held this Thursday.

St. Clair’s Sunday School Easter Program, Easter for Kids and Easter Egg Hunt have all been canceled.
With St. Clair’s Voters’ Meeting coming up on April 19, attendance will be minimal due to the virus issues. There is a deadline of May 1 to extend a Call to a Seminary graduate if we choose to do so. We ask all members, prior to April 19, to contact one of the council members to express their thoughts about calling a graduate directly out of the Seminary or Call a Pastor from another church. Tom Freitag 507-995-7816, Paul Snyder 608-370-2226, Gary Bade 507-380-5450, Phil Janzen 507-381-6881, Kevin Deling 507-381-2445, Kent Hemshrot 507-649-2242, Chris Freitag 507-380-6431, Rick Walechka 507-340-7441, or Travis Pemble 507-508-4269

Please make sure that all the doors at Trinity-Smiths Mill are locked when you leave.

The LWMS Spring Rally scheduled for April 18th at St. Paul’s in North Mankato has been canceled.

Time of Grace, an international Christian outreach media ministry, posts a daily family devotion in their Grace Talks Facebook group. Other daily devotions can be found at www.WhatAboutJes.com.

We ask that if you are able, please continue to support your church by mailing your offerings – thank-you!

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Prayer List: the family of Cody Spiess; and everyone affected by Covid-19. May our gracious Lord watch over us and heal the sick.