

Tone 1 Troparion

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion,
Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God.
Like the children with the palms of victory,
we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord.”

Tone 4 Troparion

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God,
we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection.
Now we praise Thee and sing:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!”

Glory... Now and Ever... Tone 6 Kontakion

Sitting on Thy throne in Heaven,
carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God,
accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing://
“Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam!”



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April 5, 2026
Palm Sunday

Philippians 4:4–9 (Epistle)

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 12:1–18 (Gospel)

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, who would betray Him, said, “Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. But Jesus said, “Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always.” Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus’ sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. →

John 12:1–18, cont'd

But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!" Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; 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 were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him. Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

SMOC News and Events

- We will have an outdoor procession today after the service with our palms and branches.
 - There will be no Sunday School today, due to the procession.
- Please see the sign-up sheet for items you might bring for the Paschal feast!
- Paschal baskets will be blessed at the end of the Paschal service.
- There will be choir practice today. Choir members should attend!
- If you would like to read scripture by the Tomb of Christ between services on Holy Friday and Holy Saturday, please see the sign-up sheet outside Fr John's office.
- A custom in the Orthodox Church is to read the Gospel reading at the Agape Vespers service on Pascha (Sunday afternoon at 3 pm) in as many languages as possible, in order to proclaim the resurrected Christ to the world. There is also a sign-up sheet outside of Fr John's office if you have such a competency!

Liturgical Schedule

St. Matthew Orthodox Church, Green Bay

♦ Please see full liturgical schedule online at www.smocgb.com

Holy Monday, April 6, 6:00 PM—Matins (Bridegroom Service)
Holy Tuesday, April 7, 6:00 PM—Matins (Bridegroom Service)
Holy Wednesday, April 8, 6:00 PM—Matins (The Last Supper)
Holy Thursday, April 9, 9:30 AM—Vespers Liturgy
(The Last Supper)
Holy Thursday, April 9, 6:00 PM—Matins
(The 12 Passion Gospels)
Holy Friday, April 10, 3:30 PM—Vespers
(The Removal from the Cross)
Holy Friday, April 10, 6:00 PM—Matins (The Burial of Christ)
Holy Saturday, April 11, 9:30 AM—Vespers Divine Liturgy
Great & Holy Pascha, Saturday Night, April 11, **10:30 PM**—
Nocturnes, Procession, Matins, & Divine Liturgy
Great & Holy Pascha, Sunday Afternoon, April 12, 3:00 PM—
Vespers (Agape Vespers)
Bright Wednesday, April 15, 6:00 PM—Paschal Daily Vespers
Bright Saturday, April 18, 5:00 PM—Great Vespers

St. Macrina Chapel, Waupaca

(All services in Waupaca)

Palm Sunday, April 5, 6:00 PM—Matins (Bridegroom Service)
Holy Wednesday, April 8, 6:00 PM—Matins (The Last Supper)
Holy Thursday, April 9, 6:00 PM—Matins
(The 12 Passion Gospels)
Great & Holy Pascha, Sunday afternoon, April 12, 3:00 PM—
Vespers (Agape Vespers)

Ministry Team:

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