

## **On the Lips of Children**

On Palm Sunday, we will enter the sanctuary with palm branches and praises, singing

*“All glory, laud and honor to you, redeemer, king,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.”*

This season of Lent included a disturbance at Christ Lutheran. It was a disturbance of quietness. We were without the voices of AKIDemy children and staff for two weeks (March 13-24). Flooring work, which necessitated professional asbestos abatement, brought a horrible quietness to our building. It felt like a tomb.

During Holy Week, we walk the way of the cross with our Lord. We know that Good Friday brings a silence and darkness that cannot be contained. The Alleluias and trumpet-shaped lillies of Easter morning announce that tombs don't hold because God holds all, in love. God's word of love is the last word.

*Alleluia* for the giggles and wiggles and jumps and twirls of the children in our midst. *Alleluia* for the patience of our AKIDemy families and staff during these weeks. *Alleluia* for Faith Baptist's new preschool on East Prosser that welcomed a number of AKIDemy children and staff when we needed help. *Alleluia* for the grandmas and grandpas and other loving friends who provided childcare when it was not necessarily convenient. *Alleluia* for the skill and the vocational expertise of our own Dave Adams, who led the procession of professionals who returned our facility to a place of care for all of God's children. *Alleluia* for the way our community is responding to the financial challenge that is before us.

*Alleluia* as we celebrate together the holy work that God is doing, through his risen Son. Come and make this Holy Week and Easter journey with us. We can't keep quiet! The good news is on the lips of children: Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!

**“Better Together” worship at Ascension Lutheran on Wednesday, April 5. Soup at 6 p.m.  
and Worship at 7 p.m.**

**Palm Sunday Processional and Worship: April 9, 10 a.m.**

**Maunday Thursday, celebrating First Communion with CJ McColl: April 13, 7 p.m.**

**Good Friday Service of Darkness: April 14, 7 p.m.**

**Easter Vigil at St. Paul's Lutheran, Saturday, April 15, 7 p.m.**

**Festival of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday, April 16, 10 a.m.  
Easter Breakfast at 8:45 a.m.**