

| <b>Preacher</b><br>Rev. Paul Deutsch            | PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE<br>Let us worship our Lord through                   |                            |  |  |
|---|--|----------------------------|--|--|
|   | Welcome  |                            |  |  |
| Worship Led by<br>Church School                 | Call to Worship:   | Rev. Paul Deutsch          |  |  |
|   | Praise & Worship: 'Hosanna'  |                            |  |  |
| Offertory Ushers                                | 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'<br>'I am the resurrection'<br>'Jesus Messiah' |                            |  |  |
| Church School<br>Teachers                       | Scripture: 'Matthew 21:1-  | 11' Anaya                  |  |  |
| reachers  | Sermon Title: 'A most significant start to the week'                             |                            |  |  |
|   | Congregational Prayer:   | Vinolia John               |  |  |
| Offertory Counters:                             | Call for Offering:   | Marathi Song—United Voices |  |  |
| Georgina,<br>Ruhi Sasi, Peter<br>Sagar, Gladson | Doxology   |                            |  |  |
|   | Birthdays & Anniversaries  |                            |  |  |
|   | This week @ELC   |                            |  |  |
|   | Closing Song: 'On that First Easter'   |                            |  |  |
|   | Benediction  |                            |  |  |

Greeters: Church School Kids



We welcome newcomers to our fellowship. To learn more about the **different ministries of our congregation**, **please feel free to contact the ELC Church Whatsapp number** or stop by the Ahlan desk to speak with **Mitto 39733423**)

Additionally, we invite you to fill out your details at the link , https://tiny.one/AHLANCARD or scan this QR code for us to know you better.

\*\*\*\* Membership Forms are available at the Ahlan Desk...

\*\*\*\* No After Service Fellowship Today.

Worship Etiquettes : Please No Drinking of Coffee or Tea & Definitely No food or Gum chewing in the Sanctuary!

#### Hosanna

Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Lord we lift up Your name with hearts full of praise Be exalted oh Lord my God!

Hosanna in the highest! (Glory to the King of Kings!) (second time around)

> Glory, Glory Glory to the King of Kings! Glory, Glory, Glory to the King of Kings!

#### When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through his blood

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

#### I am the resurrection

Chorus I am the resurrection and the life He who believes in me will live Even though he dies (x2) There's NO! Other way to the Father NO! Other way to the Son No! Other way to Jesus

> We must believe We must believe We must believe In Him alone

#### Chorus 2X

I am the resurrection and the life I am the resurrection and the life I am the resurrection and the life I am the resurrection and the life

#### Jesus Messiah

He became sin, who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled himself and carried the cross Love so amazing, love so amazing Jesus Messiah, name above all names Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel

The rescue of sinners, the ransom of Heaven Jesus Messiah, Lord of all His body the bread, his blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn Love so amazing, love so amazing, yeah Jesus Messiah, name above all names

Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel

The rescue of sinners, the ransom of Heaven Jesus Messiah, Lord of all All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You All the glory to You, God, the light of the world Jesus Messiah, name above all names Blessed redeemer, Emmanuel The rescue of sinners, the ransom of Heaven Jesus Messiah, Lord of all Jesus Messiah, Lord of all Jesus Messiah, Lord of all The Lord of all The Lord of all The Lord of all

#### **On that First Easter**

Celebrate that Jesus lives Celebrate the love he gives Ever and ever hosanna we'll say Because of that Easter day (2)

On that first Easter he rose to save On that first Easter he conquered the grave On that first Easter the stone rolled away Everything changed between God and man

On the first Easter day

On that first Easter redemption won On that first Easter God's plan was done On that first Easter He made a way Conquered death with one breath now He lives On that first Easter Day

> Celebrate that Jesus Lives Celebrate the love He gives Ever and ever hosanna we'll say Because of that Easter day Because of that Easter day

On that first Easter God showed us grace On that first Easter Love had a face On that first Easter clouds rolled away Jesus the Son of God left the grave On that first Easter day

> Celebrate that Jesus Lives Celebrate the love that He gives Ever and ever hosanna we'll say Because of that Easter day Because of that Easter day HE'S ALIVE! HE'S ALIVE!

#### Matthew 21:1-11

1. As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples,

2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me.

3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

5 "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.

7 They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on.

8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

10 When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"

11 The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

### SERMON NOTES

#### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above the Heavenly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost Amen

#### Tithe and offerings and Donations

Please make all contributions payable to ELC—NEC or drop in the offering tray or can personally drop into the church office.

If you wish to make a contribution online, please contact church office for details.

## The Contribution for the month of February is BD: 13,980.981

#### MOM's BIBLE STUDY

'For freedom, Christ set us free' is the topic of the Mom's study on Saturday, April 8th from 4 –530 PM. Contact Vinolia John

#### For the Month of April'2023

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper on Easter Sunday Evening, April 9th and on Friday, April 21st Worship Service.

## UNITED VOICES—MARATHI HYMN (Translation in English)

Ha divas Prabhucha ahe Ulhas va anand karu (2) Kiti thor to Dev Sarvasva apanaas dile This day belongs to the Lord We will rejoice and be glad What a great God He is He emptied Himself out for us

| Tarak to, samarthya to He is the | e Saviour, the wonder working power   |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Yeshu Dev yuganyug ahe (2)       | Jesus Lord is eternal and everlasting |
| Ha Ha Ha Ha Hallelujah           |                                       |
| Ho Ho Ho Ho Hosanna (2)          |                                       |
| Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah | (2)                                   |

| Chala ho ata tyakade |     | Come, let us go to Him                   |  |
|----------------------|-----|--|--|
| Mahima stuti varnu   | (2) | Let us describe His glory and praise Him |  |
| Svargachya Devala    |     | To the Lord of the heavens               |  |
| Stutiche geet gau (2 | 2)  | Let us sing songs of praise              |  |
| Tarak to             |     |  |  |

Tyacha anubhav ghya Kiti to changla ahe (2) Saitani bandhanatuni Apanas sodavito (2) Tarak to..... Come, test Him, experience Him See how good He is From satan's shackles He liberates us

## Our Holy Week Services are as follows:

Palm Sunday (Led by Church School) Sunday, April 2, 2023 - 7-8.30 pm in the NEC Sanctuary

> Maundy Thursday, April 6th, 2023 Communion Service -7:30 – 8:30 pm -NEC Sanctuary

## Friday, April 7, 2023-

ELC Good Friday Service - 9.30—11.00 am in the NEC Sanctuary NEC Joint Good Friday Service - 12noon - 2pm in the NEC Sanctuary

#### Sunday, April 9th, 2023 -

NEC Joint Easter Sunrise Service – 5:30a.m. in the car park ELC Easter Communion Service – 7 PM in the NEC Sanctuary (6.30 PM Baptisms) with distribution of 'Easter Meal Box' following.

| PRAYER CONCERNS |   |  |  |
|-----------------|---|--|--|
| CHURCH          | Worldwide, NEC & member churches, Reformed Church in<br>America, persecuted Christians/underground churches;<br>ministry of volunteers, pastoral leadership, board,<br>committees, ministries;  |  |  |
| THANKSGIVING    | Freedom of worship & many answers to prayer;  |  |  |
| OUTREACH        | Pray for Dee Dee at Hope Ministry, S. Africa  |  |  |
| HEALING         | Denise Wilson (Stage 4 Cancer), Arelis(Back pain), Suresh<br>Rufus (Lymphoma), Karina Nair (Leukemia); Juliana Daniel<br>(Cancer)   |  |  |
| GENERAL         | American Mission Hospital, Al-Raja School, Salvation of family<br>members, members facing difficult situations, those dealing<br>with addictions, welfare of laborers, prisoners & domestic<br>staff, Members starting new business ventures, Work<br>Opportunities for the Jobless ; |  |  |
| NATIONS         | Covid 19 Pandemic, Nations at war with each other, civil<br>unrest, refugee crisis, other natural calamities, relief<br>organizations.  |  |  |

\*\*\*\* These listed Prayer requests will be updated every first week of the month. If the names should be continued for prayer, please let Latisha know or the names will automatically be removed. Thank you for your help in this...

# Constitutional Amendment

## Approved at 2023 AGM (Annual General Meeting)

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the ELC on 24 March 2023, unanimous approval was given to the following change in the ELC Constitution:

## Former Wording of ELC Constitution under Article IV

The Church Board

- B. Composition of the Church Board and Its Election
  - 1. Number

The voting membership of the Church Board shall consist of ten (10) persons plus the incumbent pastor who shall serve as Chairman.

## Approved wording change to Article IV

- \* That all current and newly elected ELC Board members be ordained and installed into either the office of elder or deacon.
- \* That the total number of installed elders and deacons be an equal number.
- That the total number of ELC Board members be no fewer than 8 and no greater than 14.
- \* That the preferred composition of the ELC Board be 12 members (6 elders and 6 deacons) plus the incumbent pastor who shall serve as Chairman.

With congregational approval of the aforementioned amendment to Article IV, the ELC Board **now invites you to participate in the elder and deacon nominating process** culminating with an EGM within 90 days. The purpose of the EGM will be to review and approve a single slate of elders and deacons to comprise the ELC Board for 2023-2024.

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The nominating process will proceed as follows:

- 1. Names of prospective elders and deacons submitted by ELC members for consideration to the ELC office by 15 April.
- 2. Names reviewed by ELC Board and a single slate submitted to the ELC Vetting Team for review
- 3. If affirmed by the ELC Vetting Team single slate of elders and deacons will be published for 3 weeks prior to the scheduled EGM. This time is intended for the congregation to be informed, pray over the proposed slate and if necessary, bring any matter of Biblical concern about any proposed elder or deacon to the attention of the current ELC Board.
- If the slate of Elders and Deacons is approved at the EGM, each will be ordained and installed into their respective offices 3 weeks following. The term of service will continue in accordance with the ELC Constitution – a 2-year term, once renewable.

As we prayerfully ponder names of those we wish to submit for consideration, please keep before you the following:

# The Role and Function of ELC Elders:

# (I Peter 5:1-3, I Timothy 3:1-6, Titus 1:6-9)

Elders are confessing members of the ELC who have been installed into that office by ordination in accordance with the Word of God and the order established or recognized by the English Language Congregation of the National Evangelical Church. The office of the elder is one of servanthood and service representing Christ through the action of the Holy Spirit. In the local church, elders are chosen members of spiritual discernment, exemplary life, charitable spirit, and wisdom grounded in God's Word.

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# The Role and Function of ELC Elders: (I Peter 5:1-3, I Timothy 3:1-6, Titus 1:6-9)

Elders, together with the installed minister/s serving under a call, are to have supervision of the church entrusted to them. They are set apart for a ministry of watchful and responsible care for all matters relating to the welfare and good order of the church. They are to study God's Word, to oversee the household of faith, to encourage spiritual growth, to maintain loving discipline, and to provide for the proclamation of the gospel and the celebration of the sacraments. They have oversight over the conduct of the members of the congregation and seek to bring that conduct into conformity with the Word of God, thereby empowering all members to live out their Christian vocation in the world. Elders exercise an oversight over the conduct of one another, and of the deacons, and of the minister/s. They make certain that what is preached and taught by the minister/s is in accord with the Holy Scripture. They assist the minister/s with their good counsel and in the task of care. They seek to guard the sacraments of the church from being profaned. An elder may administer the sacraments, if authorized by the board of elders.

# The Role and Function of ELC Deacons:

## (I Timothy 3:8-13, Acts 6:1-7)

Deacons are confessing members of the ELC who have been installed into that office by ordination in accordance with the Word of God and the order established or recognized by the English Language Congregation of the National Evangelical Church.

The office of the deacon is one of servanthood and service representing Christ through the action of the Holy Spirit. In the local church deacons are chosen members of spiritual commitment, exemplary life, compassionate spirit, and sound judgment, who are set apart for a ministry of mercy, service, and outreach. They are to receive the contributions of the congregation and to distribute them under the direction of the ELC Board. The deacons give particular attention and care to the whole benevolence program of the church. They have charge of all gifts contributed for the benefit of the poor and distribute them with discretion. They visit and comfort those in material need and perform such other duties as the ELC Board may assign them.



# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES (Mar 31 - Apr 6)

31st Mar M. Clifford Paul; 1st Apr Jeannel Ace Bumatay;
2nd Jemimah Job Samuel, Stevie Abraham, Emmanuel Bango;
3rd Tina Christopher, Wilson S.G, Asher Anish Peter, Neha Grace Vargis, Jamuna Devi Selvarajan; 4th Ray Hannah Chungtuyco, Ruel Joriz
P.Mirano J.Reuben; 5th Vasantha Christopher, Bezalel Adelola Rohan Adada; 6th Krystal Gorde, Johnill Bumatay

3rd Apr Stephen Michael Stannard & Meskerem Leya Stannard 5th N. G. Praveena & N. Raymond

\*\*\*\* Please note that if your birthday or anniversary is not listed in the bulletin, please come up for prayer anyways. Then also, please send an email to: elcnec@gmail.com along with your details so that our records can be up to date. Thank you for your assistance in this project!

## **ELC Church School Picnic & Love feast**

Friday, 21 April 2023— 9:00 am to 3:00 pm— For KG to Grade 12

Love Feast- Children will bring breakfast from home to share with the classmates.

Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Al Rayaheen in Hawrat Sanad for swimming, playing and eating.

Assemble at the fellowship hall at 8:45am

Arrival at the church car park at 3:30

From Church School Sup... Vinolia & Kathy

| THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH |         |   |                  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---|------------------|--|--|
| FRIDAY, 31ST                        | 9.30 AM | WORSHIP SERVICE LED BY CHURCH<br>SCHOOL             | VINOLIA /KATHY   |  |  |
| SATURDAY, 1ST                       | 6.30 PM | ELC SANCTUARY EASTER CHOIR<br>PRACTICE—MP ROOM      | JOHN C           |  |  |
| SUNDAY, 2ND                         | 7 PM    | PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE<br>LED BY CHURCH SCHOOL | CHURCH OFFICE*   |  |  |
| TUESDAY, 4TH                        | 9.15 AM | INPERSON WOMENS FELLOWSHIP                          | SHWETHA 36172867 |  |  |
| WEDNESDAY, 5TH                      | 6.30 PM | YOUTH GROUP BIBLE STUDY                             | SAM 36983377     |  |  |
| THURSDAY, 6TH                       | 7.30 PM | MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION<br>SERVICE                | CHURCH OFFICE*   |  |  |
| FRIDAY, 7TH                         | 9.30 AM | GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE                                 | CHURCH OFFICE*   |  |  |
| FRIDAY, 7TH                         | 9.30 AM | CHURCH SCHOOL                                       | VINOLIA /KATHY   |  |  |

# ELC BOARD NOMINATIONS FORM IS MADE AVAILABLE AT THE AHLAN DESK OR CALL CHURCH OFFICE

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