

The  
crowd  
all around  
shouted:



Hosanna  
H to the  
Son of  
David!

Hosanna  
H in the  
highest!  
Matthew 21:9



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday  
Holy Eucharistic Rite Two  
Sunday, March 29, 2026, 10am



## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*Celebrant* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
*People* ***Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:1-11

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” <sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

### BLESSING OF THE PALMS:

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*Celebrant*

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Deacon* Let us go forth in peace.

*People* *In the name of Christ. Amen.*

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

**COLLECT**

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## ENTRANCE HYMN *Ride on! Ride on in majesty!*

Melody adapted by W. Havergal, 1793-1870

Winchester New  
L.M.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass clef. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The first system has a measure number '5' above the treble clef. The second system ends with a double bar line. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines in both hands.

1. Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;  
thy humble beast pursues his road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.
2. Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.
3. Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
The angel armies of the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.
4. Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
the Father on his sapphire throne  
expects his own anointed Son.
5. Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,  
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### THE LESSONS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. <sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. <sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. <sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

*Reader*          The Word of the Lord.

*People*          ***Thanks be to God.***

*The organist will play through the chant once, then all are invited to chant the Psalm with the choir.*

**Psalm 31:9-16**

*Remain seated*



<sup>9</sup>**Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.**

<sup>10</sup>For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are con-sumed.

<sup>11</sup>I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of my ac-quaintance; \*  
when they see me in the street they a-void me.

<sup>12</sup>I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*  
I am as useless as a broken pot.

<sup>13</sup>For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all a-round; \*  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup>But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. \*  
I have said, “You are my God.

<sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.

<sup>16</sup>Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me.”

Glory to the Father, and to the Son.

And to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now,

And will be for ever. A-men.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

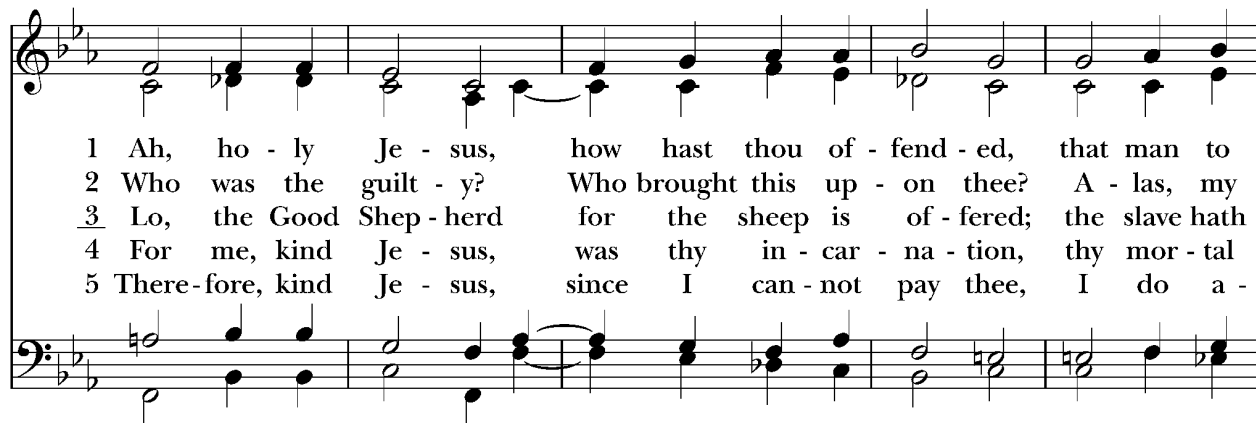
<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

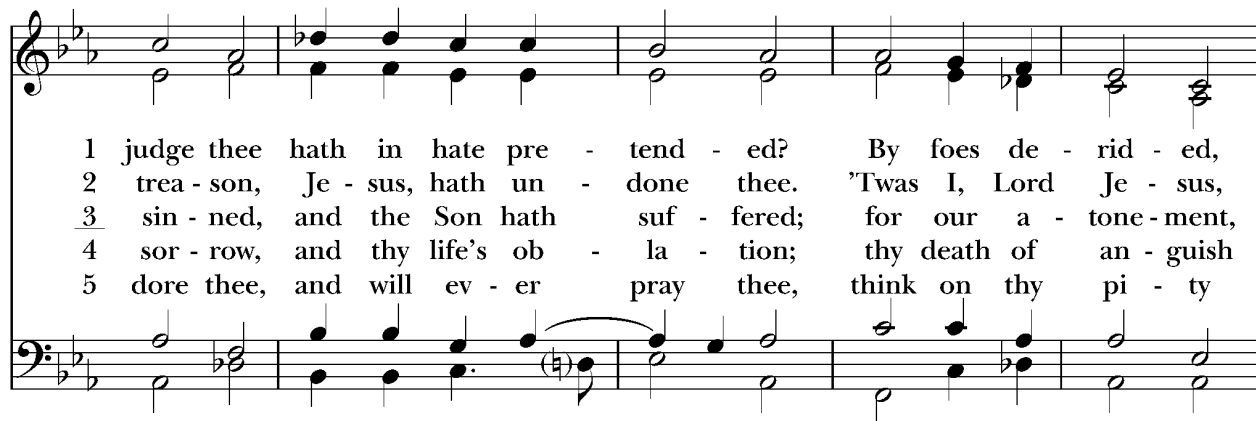
*People*        ***Thanks be to God.***

THE MEDITATION – The Rev'd R. Kevin Kelly

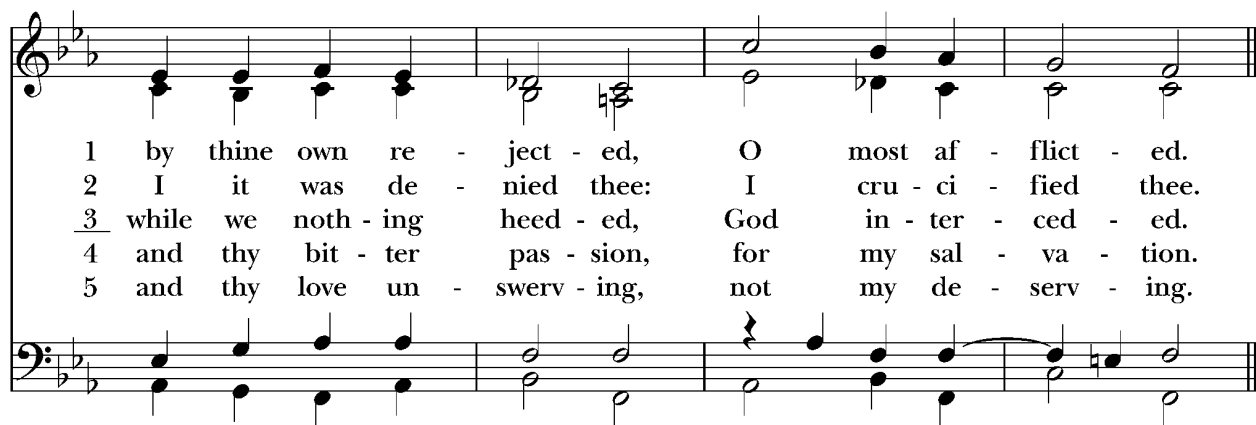
## SEQUENCE HYMN *Ah, holy Jesus* (H 158)



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to  
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my  
3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath  
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal  
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,  
2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,  
3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,  
4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish  
5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty



1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.  
2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.  
3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.  
4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.  
5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

## THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

*Please be seated until instructed to stand*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Narrator One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,

Reader "What will you give me if I betray Jesus to you?"

Narrator They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,

Reader "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

Narrator He said,

Jesus "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'"

Narrator So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,

Jesus "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

Narrator And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,

Reader "Surely not I, Lord?"

Narrator He answered,

Jesus "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

Narrator Judas, who betrayed him, said,

Reader "Surely not I, Rabbi?"

Narrator He replied,

Jesus "You have said so."

Narrator While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,

Jesus "Take, eat; this is my body."

Narrator Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,

Jesus "Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Narrator When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee."

Narrator Peter said to him,

Reader "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you."

Narrator Jesus said to him,

Jesus "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

Narrator Peter said to him,

Reader "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you."

Narrator And so said all the disciples. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

Jesus "Sit here while I go over there and pray."

Narrator He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

Jesus "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me."

Narrator And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

Jesus "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want."

Narrator Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,  
Jesus "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Narrator Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

Jesus "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."

Narrator Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

Jesus "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Narrator While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

Reader "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him."

Narrator At once he came up to Jesus and said,

Reader "Greetings, Rabbi!"

Narrator and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

Jesus "Friend, do what you are here to do."

Narrator Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,

Jesus "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?"

Narrator At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

Jesus "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled."

Narrator Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as

the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said,

Reader "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'"

Narrator The high priest stood up and said,

Reader "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"

Narrator But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,

Reader "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God."

Narrator Jesus said to him,

Jesus "You have said so. But I tell you, From now on you will see the Son of Man 'seated at the right hand of Power' and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Narrator Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

Reader "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?"

Narrator They answered,

Reader "He deserves death."

Narrator Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

Reader "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

Narrator Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,

Reader "You also were with Jesus the Galilean."

Narrator But he denied it before all of them, saying,

Reader "I do not know what you are talking about."

Narrator When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,

Reader "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

Narrator Again he denied it with an oath,

Reader "I do not know the man."

Narrator After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

Reader "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you."

Narrator Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

Reader "I do not know the man!"

Narrator At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said,

Reader "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

Narrator But they said,

Reader "What is that to us? See to it yourself."

Narrator Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,

Reader "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money."

Narrator After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.

Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

Reader "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Narrator Jesus said,

Jesus "You say so."

Narrator But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

Reader "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?"

Narrator But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,

Reader "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

Narrator For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him,

Reader "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him."

Narrator Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

Reader "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?"

Narrator And they said,

**All "Barabbas."**

Narrator Pilate said to them,

Reader "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

Narrator All of them said,

**All "Let him be crucified!"**

Narrator Then he asked,

Reader "Why, what evil has he done?"

Narrator But they shouted all the more,

**All "Let him be crucified!"**

Narrator So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,

Reader "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."

Narrator Then the people as a whole answered,

**All "His blood be on us and on our children!"**

Narrator So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying,

Reader "Hail, King of the Jews!"

Narrator They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.

***Congregation stands.***

And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

Reader "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

Narrator In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

Reader "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'"

Narrator The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,

Jesus "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"

Narrator that is,

Jesus "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Narrator When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

Reader "This man is calling for Elijah."

Narrator At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,

Reader "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Narrator Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.

*(Pause.)*

The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,

Reader "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Narrator *(Pause.)* Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a

great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,

Reader "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first."

Narrator Pilate said to them,

Reader "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can."

Narrator So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form I)**

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Frank and Scott, our bishops; Kevin, Walter, Marcia and Bob, our priests, and Nancy, Stella and Patricia, our deacons. In the Anglican prayer cycle we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for our congregations in Darien, St. Andrew's and St. Cyprian's. We also pray for our ecumenical partners in Darien, especially Nativity of Our Lady Roman Church. In our

companion diocese of the Dominican Republic, we pray for St. Anthony of Padua in El Carreton; and for all clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Donald our President, the Congress and the Courts; Brian our Governor; members of the Valdosta City Council and the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners; and for those serving in the Armed Forces. For the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially, Gayle Adams, Bruce Beal, Ron Bezona, Tony Brooks, Don Brugel, Tyson Carter, Mark Chamberlain, Ellie Daniels, “Red” Dawson, Rhett Dawson, Gretchen DeLong, Jane Earle, Jackie Elam, Doug Farwell, Mackey Foster, Louise Harden, the Hatcher family, Mark Henderson, Cathy Horne, Creston Huelett, Guerry Jameson, the Kemper family, David Lemburg, Dennis Marks, Rusty McCall, Kamrin Naville, David Parker, Alice Pendleton, Johnny Price, Rocky, the Saeger family, Pat Sanders, Fego Seward, Peggy Seward, Bo Smith, Debi Spivey, Jane Stanaland, and Terry Windell; let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Anne Turner, Amber Tanner, Henry Sandbach, and Leanne Balanis; and for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week; let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially, Bud Hatcher, Marilyn Kemper, Jan Loeffler, Dick Saeger, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Joseph, Blessed Anna, our Patron, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

***To you, O Lord our God.***

### **The Peace**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*        The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*            ***And also with you.***

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Offertory Sentence**

*Celebrant*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**OFFERTORY – *Thy Will Be Done***

**by Craig Courtney**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*            ***And also with you.***  
*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.  
*People*            ***We lift them to the Lord.***  
*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*            ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

## PROPER PREFACE

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

LAND OF REST  
American Folk Tune

Sanctus

Hol-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord God of power and might  
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho-san-na in the high-est  
 BLESS-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - San - na  
 in - the high-est Ho- san- na in the high-est

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,**

thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People: Therefore let us keep the feast.*

**FRACTION ANTHEM S 164 Jesus, Lamb of God (Schubert/Proulx)**

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**COMMUNION HYMN: *Stay With Me* - Taizé**

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
 you have graciously accepted us as living members  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 and you have fed us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you  
 with gladness and singleness of heart;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE HOLY WEEK BLESSING**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN – *Next Page***

*Following the Recessional Hymn*

## DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

## POSTLUDE *Alone Thou Goest Forth, O Lord* by Wilber Held

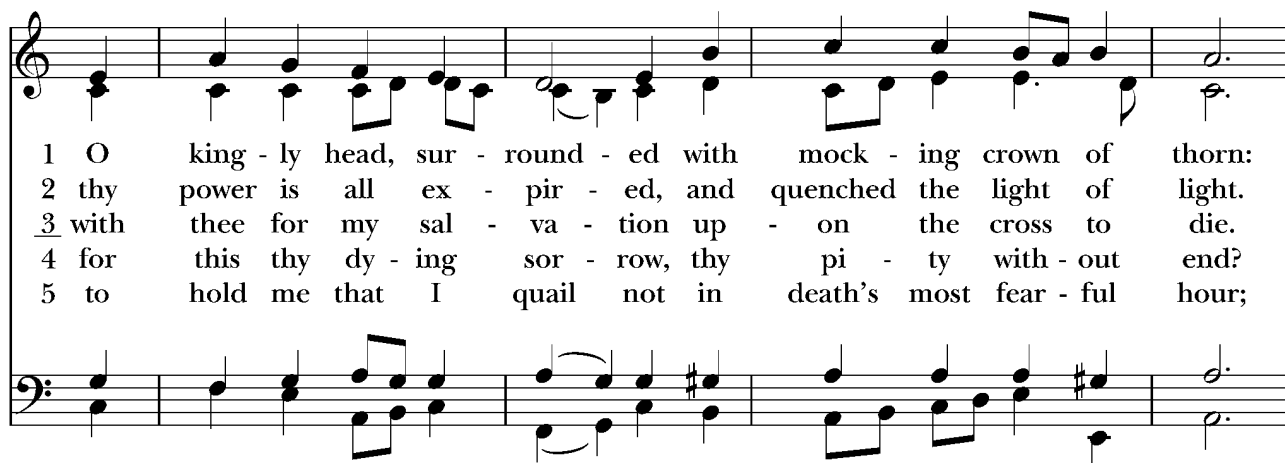
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## RECESSIONAL HYMN *O sacred head, sore wounded (Herzlich tut mich verlangen [Passion Chorale])*



1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;  
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;  
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,  
\*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
\*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,



1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:  
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.  
3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.  
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?  
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?  
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:  
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,  
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,  
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!  
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.  
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.  
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.  
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

***Serving Today – March 29***

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Blake Yarbrough, Eric Nielsen, Molly Stevenson

**Lectors:** Molly Stevenson, Sheri Gravett, Pat Denmark

**Acolytes:** Phyllis Holland, Molly Stevenson, Paul Stevenson

**Altar Guild:** Nancy Lutsko, Frances Guice, Happy Ingeman

**Ushers:** Mike Tanner, Rita Watters, Cameron Prevost

**Greeter:** Nikki Yarbrough

**Audio/Visual Crew:** Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker, Tom Carroll

**Coffee Hour Hosts –** Pat Denmark, Salle Honeycutt, Eric Nielsen,  
Ann Burnette, Pat Bezona

**Holy Week Schedule (\* Also Live-Streamed)**

**Palm Sunday, March 29**

Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist 8am & 10am (\*)

(Begin outdoors, weather permitting)

Vespers – 6pm via Zoom

\*\*\* The Labyrinth will be set up in the Parish Hall Sunday – Thursday\*\*\*

**Holy Monday, March 30**

Holy Eucharist – 6pm

**Holy Tuesday, March 31**

Holy Eucharist – 6pm

**Holy Wednesday, April 1**

Stations of the Cross - Noon

Holy Eucharist – 6pm

**Maundy Thursday, April 2**

Holy Eucharist/Foot Washing/Stripping of the Altar – 6pm (\*)

Watch before the Blessed Sacrament – 7:30pm

**Good Friday, April 3**

Good Friday Liturgy, Communion from Reserved Sacrament – Noon & 6pm (\*)

Stations of the Cross – 3pm

**Holy Saturday, April 4**

Holy Saturday Liturgy – 10am (followed by Greening of the Church)

The Great Vigil of Easter – 8pm (\*)

(at Christ Church with St. Barnabas, Christ the King, and St. James)

**Easter Day, April 5**

Holy Eucharist – 8am & 10am (\*)

Annual Easter Egg Hunt – following 10am service

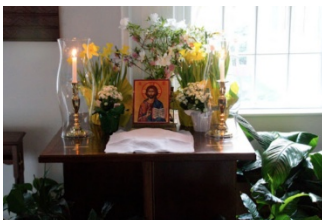
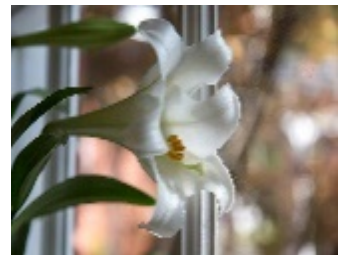
Paschal Vespers – 6pm

**Upcoming Events**



**Filled Plastic Eggs Needed** – Please help provide filled plastic eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Day. Eggs can be dropped off any time between now and Thursday, April 2. (No chocolate or nuts, please.)

**Donations for Easter Flowers and Special Music** are being accepted. Please complete inserted form or call or email the church office to submit the names of those you want remembered – In Thanksgiving or In Memory. Checks should be made payable to Christ Church and “Easter Flowers” or “Easter Music” noted in the memo line. ([office@christchurchvaldosta.org](mailto:office@christchurchvaldosta.org) or (229)242-5115.)



**Watch Before the Blessed Sacrament** A sheet has been posted on the parish hall bulletin board to sign up to come and pray for one hour beginning after Maundy Thursday liturgy and continuing until 7:30am on Good Friday.

**A Celebration of New Ministry** – Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11am as we gather with our bishop and with one another to ask God’s blessing upon us as we begin a new ministry together. There will be a luncheon in the parish hall following the service.



**LUNCH BUNCH:** *The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month, the next one is April 11. In April, we will meet in the Gabard Building. Help make sack lunches for approximately 100 children in need of meals. It is an assembly line process that only takes about one hour of your time. All are invited to participate - just show up on Saturday.*

**Stitchers of Love** *The 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 4p in parish hall.*



## **COLLEGE MINISTRY**

*Grace Café*

**MONTHLY GRACE CAFÉ FOOD/SUPPLIES DRIVE.** The café food pantry is requesting for **April:** Salty Snacks – individually packaged chips, crackers, popcorn, etc. A donation basket has been placed in the parish hall for your convenience. Thank you for your generous support of our College Ministry!

### **College Ministry Dinner and Gathering Nights for April**

- April 2, 7pm** – Trivia Night
- April 9, 7pm** – Dance Party (Salsa Lessons)
- April 16, 7pm** – Dinner: “Wing Night”
- April 23, 7pm** – UNO Tournament
- April 30, 7pm** – Dinner: Authentic Mexican Meal

### **Upcoming Children and Youth Events**

## Youth Weekly Compline

**Where:** Zoom

**When:** Every Wednesday evening @

**Who:** 6 – 12 grade youth



9pm

Scan to Join Compline

## New Beginnings

**March 20 – 22**

**Who:** Youth Grades 7 -9

For more info – Contact Karen Bell at [karenmackenziebell@gmail.com](mailto:karenmackenziebell@gmail.com)

## Summer Camp @ Honey Creek

High School (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) – June 7-13

St. Peter (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) – June 14-20

Sts. Joseph & Mary (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) – June 21-27

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***As followers of Jesus, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we share God's love, grace and mercy through worship, prayer and service, respecting the dignity of all.***

The Rt Rev'd Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia  
All Christ Church Families & Friends are Ministers.

The Rev'd R. Kevin Kelly, Rector

The Rev'd Nancy Sartin, Deacon

Bobby Yarbrough, Sr. Warden

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Issa Young, Choir Director

Sue Ellen Rumstay, Director of Music  
Nancy Lutsko, Verger

**The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook**

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