

Palm Sunday

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THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

The people gather outside the church.

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.***

A READING

Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 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. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, '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.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 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!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

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 God thanks and praise.***

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.***

Celebrant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People ***Hosanna in the highest.***

PROCESSION

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.
People ***In the name of Christ. Amen.***

Palm crosses are handed out. The people will process around the church, all singing Hymn 154.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Thou art the King of Israel

Hymnal 154

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.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Repeat Refrain

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

Halfway around the church, all halt while the following is said.

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.**

The procession then continues into the church singing the processional hymn.

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.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. 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. 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; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:9-16



- 9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in **trouble**; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my **belly**.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with **sighing**; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are **consumed**.

- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and
even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my **acquaintance**; *
when they see me in the street they **avoid me**.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of **mind**; *
I am as useless as a broken **pot**.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all **around**; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my **life**.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O **Lord**. *
I have said, "You are my **God**."
- 15 My times are in your **hand**; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who **persecute me**.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your **servant**, *
and in your loving-kindness **save me**."

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

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

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

Reader
People

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

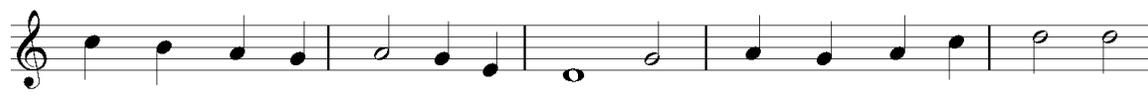
What wondrous love is this

Hymnal 439

Unison



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll



caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

PASSION GOSPEL

Matthew 26:36-27:66

Please be seated. The Passion Gospel will now be read. The congregation plays the part of the Disciples and the Congregation. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha all stand.

N: Hear the passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

JUDAS: What will you give me if I betray him to you?

N: 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,

DISCIPLES: Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

N: Jesus 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.'

N: 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.

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

DISCIPLES: Surely not I, Lord?

N: Jesus 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.

N: Judas, who betrayed him, said,

JUDAS: Surely not I, Rabbi?

N: Jesus replied,

JESUS: You have said so.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: Peter said to him,

PETER: Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

N: Jesus said to him,

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

N: Peter said to him,

PETER: Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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.

N: 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,

JUDAS: The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

N: At once he came up to Jesus and said,

JUDAS: Greetings, Rabbi!

N: and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

JESUS: Friend, do what you are here to do.

N: 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?
N: 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.
N: 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,
CONGREGATION: This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'
N: The high priest stood up and said,
HIGH PRIEST: Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?
N: But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,
HIGH PRIEST: I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.
N: 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.
N: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,
HIGH PRIEST: He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?
N: They answered,
PRIESTS: He deserves death.
N: Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

PRIESTS: Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?
N: Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,
SERVANT GIRL 1: You also were with Jesus the Galilean.
N: But he denied it before all of them, saying,
PETER: I do not know what you are talking about.
N: When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,
SERVANT GIRL 2: This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.
N: Again he denied it with an oath,
PETER: I do not know the man.
N: After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,
CONGREGATION: Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.
N: Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,
PETER: I do not know the man!
N: 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,
JUDAS: I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.
N: But they said,
PRIESTS: What is that to us? See to it yourself.
N: 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,
PRIESTS: It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.
N: 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.'
N: Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,
PILATE: Are you the King of the Jews?
N: Jesus said,
JESUS: You say so.
N: But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,
PILATE: Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?
N: 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,
PILATE: Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?
N: 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,
PILATE'S WIFE: Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.
N: 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,
PILATE: Which of the two do you want me to release for you?
N: And they said,
CONGREGATION: Barabbas.
N: Pilate said to them,
PILATE: Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?
N: All of them said,
CONGREGATION: Let him be crucified!

N: Then he asked,

PILATE: Why, what evil has he done?

N: But they shouted all the more,

CONGREGATION: Let him be crucified!

N: 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,

PILATE: I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

N: Then the people as a whole answered,

CONGREGATION: His blood be on us and on our children!

N: 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,

CONGREGATION: Hail, King of the Jews!

N: 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.

✠ ALL STAND ✠

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

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

CONGREGATION: 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.'

N: 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?

N: that is,

JESUS: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

N: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

CONGREGATION: This man is calling for Elijah.

N: 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,

CONGREGATION: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

N: Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. *<pause>*

At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. 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,

CENTURION: Truly this man was God's Son!

N: 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,

CHIEF PRIEST: 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.

N: Pilate said to them,

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

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

On this day the church hears again the passion of our Lord, into which we are baptized. Recreated by the mind of Christ, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs, saying:

Lord, have mercy.

For the whole church throughout the world, its bishops, clergy, and all the baptized, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace among nations and forbearance among all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this assembly as we walk the road toward the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the weary and the sick, and for those who are consumed with sorrow, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We give thanks for all the departed who had the mind of Christ and were humble servants of God. For ourselves, that we may be obedient even unto death, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray to the Lord for ourselves and on behalf of others, and let us offer our thanksgivings.

Other intercessions may now be offered.

The Celebrant continues

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People together say

***God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.***

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

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 See back of bulletin for announcements.

OFFERTORY HYMN

When I survey the wondrous cross

Hymnal 474

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: *Rockingham*, from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1970; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807).

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

All remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

The Celebrant continues

And so, God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our ancestors; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob and Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

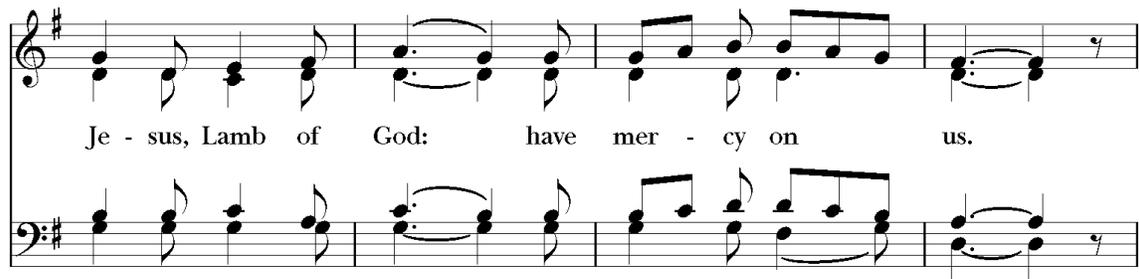
And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

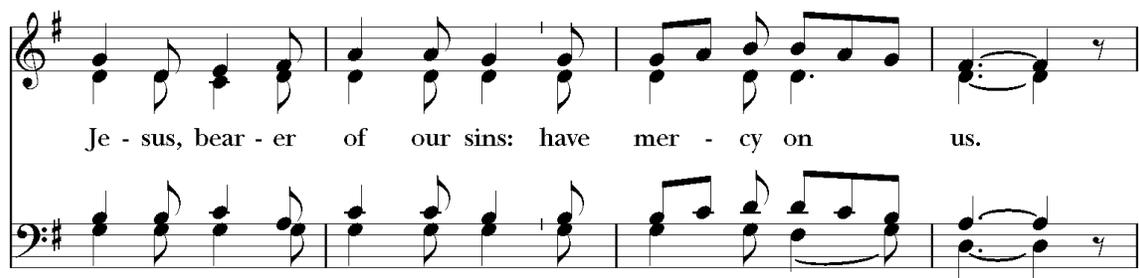
***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is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

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

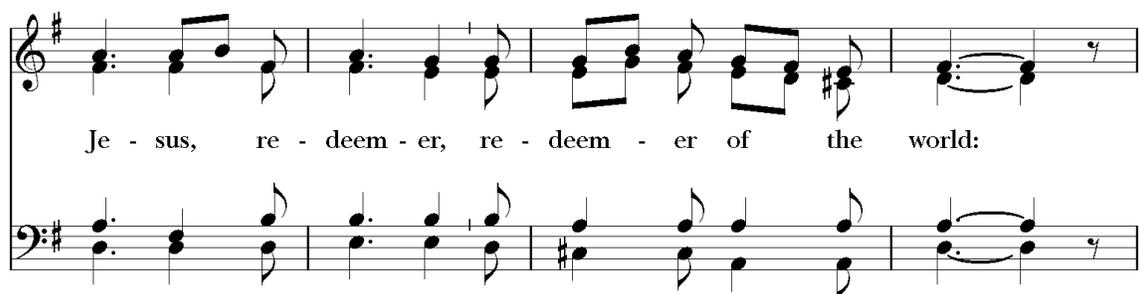
A period of silence is kept.



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.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since some of us are not able now to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into all of our hearts. As though you have already come, we embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)

Everyone is invited to come to the altar. If you do not wish to receive either bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Adoramus Te, Christe

Theodore Dubios

We adore you, O Christ and we bless you. You have redeemed the world.

COMMUNION HYMNS

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Hymnal 448



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt. Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.; harm. after Basil Harwood (1859-1949).

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

***God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life
and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

SOLEMN COLLECT

The Celebrant says

Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel and the Celebrant says

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Lift high the cross

Hymnal 473

Descant
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain
the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

DISMISSAL

LEM
People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer List *Please take this list home to remember those who need your daily prayers.*

For the Church

Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury
Sean, Presiding Bishop
John, Bishop of the Diocese
Antonio, Bishop Elect
Hosam E. Naoum, Archbishop of Jerusalem

For the Vestry

Kathy, Tom, Wardens
Peter, Priest
Brooke, Ministry Intern
Ministry of Canterbury Irvine
Saint Andrew's Children's Center

For the Government and the Nations of the World:

Donald, our President
Supreme Court of the United States
Congress of the United States
Gavin, our Governor

For Those in College: Audrey, Aidan, Zachary, Jonathan, Caitlin, Matthew, Gram, Emma, Haven, Catherine, Bryce, Elise, Tyler, Benjamin

Guidance: Andrea, Jacob, Rebecca, Jose, Dominick

Healing

Corinne Lakes	Gabriel	Daniel	Meghan	Michelle
Mitsuye	Wendy	Jan Cannon	Langsdorf Ruggio	Carol Black
Sandy Wilson	Joyce & Ken Jenson	Mary	Betsy	Omar Garza
Bernice	Susan Berkel	Jan	Christine Shaver	Liz Mahlow
Judi Matthews	Jonas Tupper-Graeff	Jim Bratton	Olivia	Chet Wescott
Louise	Frances Fosnaugh	Addy James	Donna Catalano	Kai Yamada
Mary Baker	Dana Hollinger	Chandra	Terry Manhardt	Tess
Lisa Rotchford	Michelle	Cyrene Pellegrino	Kelsey	Janelle
Staci DeNatali	Jayne Baldwin	Cynthia Morse	Stefanik-Sidener	Ilene
Carl Barton	Sue Powell	Patrick Chewing	Suzanne Wheeler	Greg and Linda
Heather Harris	Michele Percival	Tim K	John Goff	

Long Term Needs

AA Groups	Stacy Watson	Dominick Pellegrino	Sharon Brooks
Chris Bennett	Nora	Brian Kingsfield	Kwesi
Donna Westlund	Patti Patel	Rich & Libby Cook	Mary Dennis
Jack & John Selman	Wanda Lay	Lynne Raftery	Phil Henry
Merrilee Gardner	Our Refugee family	Peggy E.	Kelli Grace
Patti	Scott Perrin	Mollie	Dillon-Harris family
Susan D'Zmura	Nancy Perrin	Patsy	Clarence
Lyle Menzel	Tyler Hudson	Jeffrey Marks	Muriel
Julie	Mike Catalano	Berkel & West	
Carl	Leslie Ennis	families	

Pets: Luna, Shiso, Roxy & Chloe, Stanley, Pippa

Rest of the Soul: Susie Shippey, Bob Mitchell

Comfort for: Rick, Wendy & Rick, The Mitchell family

For those in the Military:

Celebration of Birth:

Ongoing Scheduled Activities

Monday

10:30 a.m. **Volunteer at Woodbridge Manor**
St. Andrew's volunteers staff a Food Bank for approximately 85 residents at this apartment complex for low-income seniors and disabled adults. We receive food donated by local grocers, unpack it and organize it on tables for the residents to "shop" for their groceries. We have a group of loyal volunteers, and we can always use more help. If you can help, we'd love to have you join us. We meet every other Monday at 10:30 a.m. except for federal holidays. It takes about 2 hours. Contact Catherine Sharbaugh for more information. We can always use empty 1 dozen cardboard egg cartons (not plastic) and small plastic fruit boxes (like the ones blueberries and raspberries come in). Please bring what you can to the church.

Wednesday

The **Virtual Book Group** meets every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. followed by noonday prayer. Scroll down to Events and Activities on our website home page for the current reading and contact the [office](#) to be added to the Zoom invitation.

Thursday

6 p.m. **Virtual Evening Prayer** livestreamed via Facebook.

Community Groups

Al-Anon - Mon 7 p.m., Fellowship Court

Brothers in Sobriety - Fri 7:30 p.m., Fellowship Court

Sunrise Sobriety - Daily 6:30 a.m., Fellowship Court

Monthly

First Tuesday of the Month

- **The Grief Support Group** will meet for support (and coffee) at 2 p. m. at The Lost Bean at 4632 Barranca Pkwy, in the Woodbridge Shopping Center just down the street from Saint Andrew's, on the first Tuesday of the month.

Second Tuesday of the Month

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet at 3 p.m. in the fellowship court the second Tuesday of the month. Those ministry members who cannot attend the monthly meetings produce shawls and prayer cloths at home. If you are a newcomer to Prayer Shawl contact Sharon Brooks at sharonemi99@gmail.com. If you are in need of a prayer shawl send a message to Sharon or ask any Prayer Shawl member.

Third Saturday of the Month

- **Men's Group** will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Strawberry Farms for breakfast and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Peter if interested.

Korean Orchestra - Saturday 6 – 8 p.m.

Pneuma Chapel - Sunday 12:30 p.m., Church.
Saturday 6:00-7:00 a.m.

Announcements



Sunday School News

Day care for infants and children 4 yrs old and younger during the 10 a.m. service will be provided by Samira Sameni, a preschool teacher at our Saint Andrew's Children's Center. **Sunday School** is designed for children in grades K-6 and is led by Tammy Smecker-Hane during the 10 a.m. service. Drop off for both is in the **2nd floor atrium** of the Children's Center (follow the sign). We will bring the children to you in church during the Announcements.

This Sunday we will gather outside church to participate in the Palm Sunday parade around the church. Children will get to play instruments and wave banners as we process around the building. In Sunday School we'll examine all the "Be Kind" activities that we did for Lent and discuss how we can carry on being kind in Jesus' name throughout Spring/Summer. We'll also listen to the story of Jesus' triumphant return to Jerusalem. Children will also take home a coloring book that will help you go through Holy Week with them at home. If you have any questions about Sunday School, please email Tammy at tsmecker@cox.net.

Palm Crosses



African Palms is an outreach ministry of St. John's Episcopal Church in Olney, Maryland. The ministry provides palm crosses for sale to distributors who sell to churches, schools, hospitals, for use on Palm Sunday and other special occasions. The crosses are individually hand-woven by villagers in Masasi, Tanzania and are made from the dried leaves of the dwarf palm. The crosses provide a source of income and humanitarian aid for Africa.

Easter Flowers



Traditionally, there are no flowers at the altar during Lent and Holy Week. Any dedications received at this time will be printed in the Easter bulletins. To make a donation for Easter flowers, please fill out a flower donation envelope in the pews and place it in the offering plate. The Altar Guild thanks you for your donation. We will continue to accept Easter flower donations throughout the Easter Season.

Wooden Cross



Please bring fresh flowers on April 5, **Easter Sunday** for the cross outside of church, as we transform it from a wooden cross of hopelessness to a beautiful cross of HOPE.

Save the Date to Spice It Up!

Our annual fundraiser event and silent auction will be held on **Saturday, May 23 at 5 p.m.** at St. Andrew's. Please mark your calendars for an evening of community, tacos, homemade desserts, and a silent auction! If you would like to donate items or (*especially popular!*) experiences to the silent auction, please contact Kathy Cartelli at kathycartelli@gmail.com . If you are interested in volunteering to help, make the event a success, please contact JoJo Caprini at casacaprini@att.net . Tickets will go on sale soon. We look forward to seeing you there!

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SPICE IT 🌶️!

CPC Quilt Raffle



Check out the Church Periodical Group's Annual Quilt Raffle and bid on a beautiful piece of art for your home! Visit <http://go.rallyup.com/cpc2026/Campaign/Details>. All proceeds go to providing grants for the purchase books, magazines, videos, and more for Sunday Schools, seminarians, etc. The groups motto is "to serve God's people through the written word". Some of our Saint Andrew's women sewed and donated the "Light in the Darkness" quilt for the auction (middle row on the left in photo), which happens to be a copy of the one we have hanging at the entrance to our narthex. Support CPC's excellent work by bidding on one of the items. Bidding closes on Mar 31, and winners are announced the following day.

Responding to Immigration Enforcement

Dear friends, these are frightening times for those in our community who are vulnerable to immigration enforcement. Please report any suspected ICE/CBP/DHS sightings to the OC Rapid Response Network by calling or texting **714-881-1558**. Document and report as much as you safely can of the following: Size/Strength of forces; Action/Activities; Location; Uniform/Clothes; Time/Date; and Equipment/Weapons. (SALUTE is a handy acronym for remembering this). If you can text a photo of suspicious vehicles and plates, that's especially helpful.

OCRRN is a trained network of volunteers that confirm ICE sightings and alert impacted communities. Upon receiving a report, they will send out trained volunteers to get eyes on the situation and provide support to impacted individuals.

Red cards with the OCRRN phone number, the SALUTE items to watch for, and information about your legal rights and resources in the event of an encounter with ICE will be available in a basket in the narthex. Please take these and share them with businesses, co-workers, friends, and neighbors who may be at risk.

Let us remember the words of Jesus in Luke 10:25-37 who reminds us that we are called to serve our neighbors with mercy and that we need not share religion, ethnicity, or language with those we love as ourselves.

Coffee Hour Composting

We are continuing our coffee hour composting. Please note the posted signs for disposing of organic waste.

We have compostable cups for coffee, tea, and cold drinks. Napkins and uncoated plates can be composted.

- Utensils and coated plates cannot be composted.
- We ask that you put all the compostable waste in cardboard boxes and/or the Waste Management organics bin.
- You are also welcome to bring your own commuter cups.

If you are bringing snacks, please use the compostable or reusable materials we have provided. Many of the items supplied by restaurants or bakeries are coated and cannot be composted.



Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday - Sunday, March 29, 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

Join us as we reenact the triumphal entry of Jesus and the Lord's Passion.

Maundy Thursday - Thursday, April 2, 6 p.m.

The three great days, or Triduum, begin tonight with an intimate service recalling Jesus' last supper, including the washing of feet and the stripping of the altar. A prayer vigil follows in the chapel throughout the night until 9am on Good Friday. Please sign up in the Narthex beginning March 15th for the vigil.

Good Friday – April 3, Noon and 6 p.m.

The most solemn day of our church year, we gather to commemorate the crucifixion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Priests are available, by appointment, on Good Friday, from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. to hear confession in the Chapel.

The Great Vigil of Easter – April 4, 7 p.m.

In this most ancient liturgy of the Church, we begin outside in darkness to light the new fire of Easter, processing with the light of Christ into the church for a celebration of our salvation, Holy Baptism, and Jesus' victory over death and the grave.

Easter Sunday – April 5, 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

Festival Eucharist with choir, organ, a triumphant celebration.

Easter egg hunt follows the 10 a.m. service.



Clergy & Staff

The Very Rev. Peter Browning, Rector
Brooke Pauley, Ministry Intern
Steven Van Wye, Minister of Music
Tammy Smecker-Hane, Sunday School Leader
Samira Sameni, Nursery Coordinator
Hank Caprini, Youth Group Leader
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Remote: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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Tom Pietryga, Junior Warden
Bill Langsdorf, Treasurer
Merrilee Gardner, Clerk
Sue Ha
Stirling Hunter
Kimberley Lakes-Kay
Erin Lockwood
Larry Wheeler

Today's Service

8:00 A.M.

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning
Assisting: Brooke Pauley, Ministry Intern
LEM: David Hatton

10:00 A.M.

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Assisting: Brooke Pauley, Ministry Intern
LEMS: Madge Parker, Debbie Calkins
Lectors: Maria Morgan, Chuck Coe
Acolytes: Micah Char, Jude Samaan, and
Jackson Bradley



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