

## Upcoming at St. Paul's Episcopal Church

**Sundays at St. Paul's** ~ 8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist; Rite I  
10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II.

### **Holy Week Services**

*Palm Sunday*, March 28 ~ 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*Mundy Thursday*, April 1 ~ 6:00 p.m.

*Good Friday*, April 2 ~ 6:00 p.m.

### **Saturday April 3 from Noon to 6**

#### **Flowering the Cross**

Bring some blooms and add them to the Cross in front of St. Paul's as a gift to our city.

### **Easter Sunday, April 4**

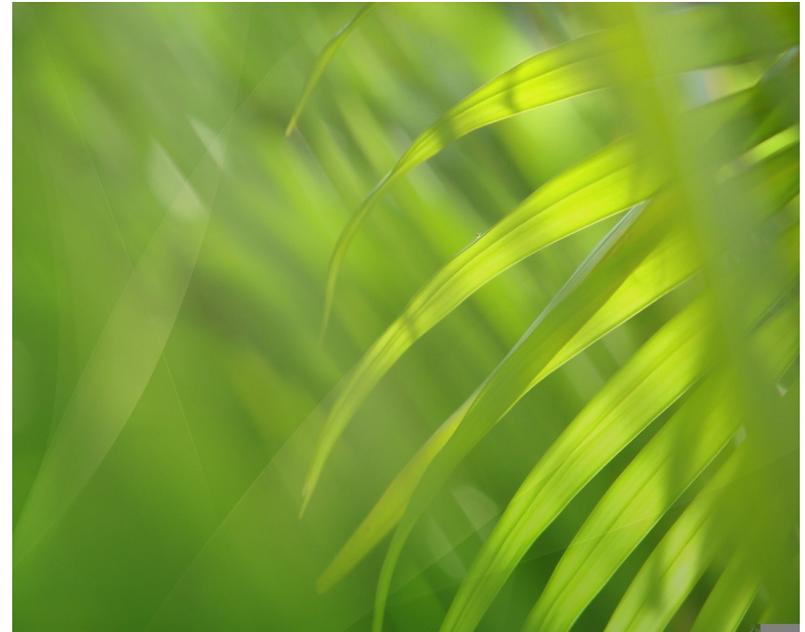
8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite II,  
11:00 a.m. ~ Easter Egg Hunt  
11:30 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### **Prayers of the People**

Please remember your prayers for the special needs of Mary Hagan, Pat Burger, Loring Gray, Carmella Maurizi, Madge Bush, Ann Natoli, Charles Godwin, Hannah Kate Godbee, Virginia Reynolds, Fr. Reed Freeman, Nyla Ritz, Jack Clay, Kara Thiel, Joenne McLendon, Sylvia Berry, David Ronn, Theora Whittlesey Brown, Kay Wheeler, Jane Miller, and Buddy Creel



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**Palm Sunday**  
**March 28, 2021**  
**10:30 am—Rite II**

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*outdoors, weather permitting, or in the Narthex*

Salutation BCP 270

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

*Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.*

Collect BCP 270

*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.*

Gospel Reading Mark 11: 1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Sermon The Rev. Walter Hobgood

Prayers of the People Form 2 BCP 385

The Peace BCP 360

Announcements

Offertory *Give Me Jesus* arr. Moses Hogan

*Destinee Anderson, soprano*

## The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving—*Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP 361

*In unison*

Holy, Holy Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest,  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord’s Prayer (*in unison*) BCP 364

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of you 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.*

Blessing

Recessional Hymn *At The Name of Jesus* Hymnal 435

Dismissal

*Soldier:* "Truly this man was God's Son!"

*Narrator:* There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

### Cast

**Narrator—Bill Swan**

**Pilate—Greg Fullerton**

**Jesus—Tony Blakey**

**Chief Priest—Dan Wheeler**

**Crowd—Congregation**

**Soldier—Dan Wheeler**

**Passerby—Greg Fullerton**

**Bystander—Congregation**

Blessing of the Branches

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

After the Blessing

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

*Hosanna in the highest.*

The Procession

Let us go forth in peace.

*In the name of Christ. Amen.*

***Process into the church***

Entrance Hymn ~ *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

BCP 271

Hymn 154

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Salutation

***Celebrant*** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

***People*** *His mercy endures forever.*

BCP 355

**Collect for Purity**

Lord, have mercy

*Christ, have mercy*

Lord, have mercy

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy Spirit.*

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.

BCP 219

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

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?

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

*Passerby:* "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

*Narrator:* In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

*Chief Priest:* "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

*Narrator:* Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

*Jesus:* "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

*Narrator:* which means,

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

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

*Bystander:* "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

*Narrator:* And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

*Bystander:* "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

*Narrator:* Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

*Narrator:* They shouted back,

*Crowd:* "Crucify him!"

*Narrator:* Pilate asked them,

*Pilate:* "Why, what evil has he done?"

*Narrator:* But they shouted all the more,

*Crowd:* "Crucify him!"

*Narrator:* So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

*Soldier:* "Hail, King of the Jews!"

*Narrator:* They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). **(Congregation Stands)** And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

## 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."

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.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

#### Congregation is seated.

*Narrator:* As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

*Pilate:* "Are you the King of the Jews?"

*Narrator:* He answered him,

*Jesus:* "You say so."

*Narrator:* Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

*Chief Priest:* "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

*Narrator:* But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom.

Then he answered them,

*Pilate:* "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

*Narrator:* For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

*Pilate:* "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"