

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 2024 • 9:45am

Celebrating: The Rev. Noah H. Evans

Assisting: The Rev. Laura Di Panfilo, The Rev. Erin Morey

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Thank you!

The Liturgy of the Palms

The congregation gathers outside for 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.*

The Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.

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.*

The blessed Palms are distributed.

Song: Give Me Oil in My Lamp (Sing Hosanna)

Words: Anonymous, Music: arr. Betty Pulkingham

*Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning. Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, keep me burning til the break of day.
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the king of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the king!*

*Give me gas for my Ford, keep me trucking for the Lord. Give me gas for my Ford, I pray.
Give me gas for my Ford, keep me trucking for the Lord, keep me trucking til the break of day.
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the king of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the king!*

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

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

The congregation processes back to St. Paul's for the continuation of the service.

Fanfare and Hymn in Procession: All Glory, Laud and Honor

Hymnal 154

Welcome and Greetings

Announcements

Commissioning of Pat and Carolyn Hurd for Their Mission Trip to Uganda

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 Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ
The Passion Play is now performed

Hymn: Were You There?

(Turn to the back of the leaflet for music)

African American spiritual

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

*Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?*

*Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it cause me to tremble, tremble, tremble
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?*

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: My Song is Love Unknown

David Busarow

Presentation Hymn: King of glory, King of peace, vs. 1

Hymnal 382

The Prayers of the Congregation

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

The people may stand or kneel.

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

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal S 129

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.

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S 164

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive communion. Please come forward to receive through the center aisle, returning through the side aisles. You are welcome to receive just the bread, or the bread and the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please take the bread in your hand and sip the wine from the chalice. For sanitary reasons, we ask you not to dip the host in the wine. If you would like communion brought to you, please let a greeter know.

Communion Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
(Turn to the back of the leaflet for music)

Words: Isaac Watts, Music: Lowell Mason

*When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the prince of glory died;
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.*

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

*See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet? Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

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

Post Communion Prayer—said together

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.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession: O sacred head, sore wounded, vv. 1-3

Hymnal 168

Dismissal

The worship is ended, the service begins.
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation departs in silence.

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WERE YOU THERE

GOOD FRIDAY

Capo 1: (D)
Eb

(A) (Bm) (A) (D)
Bb Cm Bb Eb

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____ Were you
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? _____ Were you
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? _____ Were you

(F#m) (Bm) (A) (D) (A) (D) (G)
Gm Cm Bb Eb Bb Eb Ab

1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____ Oh!
2. there when they nailed him to the tree? _____ Oh!
3. there when they laid him in the tomb? _____ Oh!

(D) (G) (D) (F#) (Bm) (G) (D/F#)
Eb Ab Eb G Cm Ab Eb/G

1. _____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble,
2. _____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble,
3. _____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble,

(G) (A) (G) (D/A) (A) (Bm) (A) (D)
Ab Bb Ab Eb/Bb Bb Cm Bb Eb

1. trem - ble. _____ Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____
2. trem - ble. _____ Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? _____
3. trem - ble. _____ Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? _____

Note: When guitar and keyboard play together, keyboardists should improvise using the guitar chords above the melody.

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WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

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Capo 3: (D) F (Em) Gm (A) C (D) F

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, The pain and
 4. Were ev - 'ry realm of na - ture mine, My gift would

(G) Bb (D) F (A) C (D) F

1. Prince of glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
 2. death of Christ, my Lord; The vain things that now
 3. love flow min - gled down; Did e'er such love and
 4. still be far too small: Love so a - maz - ing, _____

(Em) Gm (A) C (D) F (A7) C7 (Bm) Dm (Em7) Gm7 (A7) C7 (D) F

1. count but loss, And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 2. tempt me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 3. sor - row meet, Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 4. so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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Text: LM; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

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