

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

March 28, 2021

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on Facebook Live at 10 A.M.

Voluntary

Festival Alleluia

Dan Miller

Based on *Last Uns Erfreuen*
from *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

Brendan Daly, soloist

begin

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.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant greets the people with these words

Celebrant Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord:

People ***Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.***

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.***

The Celebrant then continues

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, 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 First Lesson**Zechariah 9:9-12**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm**Psalm 31:9-16**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

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.

I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.

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.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. *
I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Second Lesson**Philippians 2:5-11**

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

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.

The Gospel**Mark 11:1-11***Priest* 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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.****Sermon****The Rev. Patricia Templeton**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father
and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Prayers of the People

Let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and one another.

Jesus, our Savior, you entered Jerusalem with honor and glory. Help us to give glory and honor to you in all that we do, and all that we say.

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

Jesus, our Savior, you entered Jerusalem in humility, riding not on a magnificent stallion but on a lowly donkey. Grant us humility in our achievements, and help us give thanks for our failures and disappointments, remembering always our dependence on you for all that we have and all that we are.

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

Jesus, our Savior, many joined in the parade, and then turned against you. We pray for our enemies, for those from whom we are estranged, and those from whom we have separated ourselves.

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

Jesus, our Savior, you emptied yourself, taking the form of a slave. We pray for all who are oppressed by injustice and poverty. We ask your forgiveness for the ways we contribute to injustice by the way we live, and ask you to turn our hearts and minds to lives of awareness and simplicity.

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

Jesus, our Savior, you were crucified by the religious and the righteous. We pray for your church, that we may be always aware of your call to live and work among the outcast, and always in search not of our desires but of your purpose for us.

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

Jesus, our Savior, you suffered betrayal, torture, physical agony, and death. We pray for all those who suffer physically, mentally, and spiritually. We pray that they may know your comfort and presence, especially when they feel abandoned and alone, especially those with Covid-19.

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

Jesus, our Savior, you healed the sick in body and spirit. We pray for those who carry on your healing work, often putting themselves at risk during this time of pandemic.

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

Jesus, our Savior, we know that you rose again and bring new life to all. We pray for those who have died, and we pray for the parts of our own lives that are dead to you. Bring them, and us, new life, and help us bring new life to others.

We remember especially **Louise Fothergill**, family of Olivia Koenig; **Robert Manning**, friend of Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Nathan Hites**, friend of Kate Gaul; **Bob Inge**, friend of Bob Longino and, **Winnie Mark**, grandmother of Connor Mark.

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

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

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.

Absolution

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

"Hosanna! Hosanna!"

Antonio Caldara (1670-1736), arr. Alice Carpenter

Brendan Daly, soloist

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna! Sing glory to God in the highest evermore.

Sing glory to God, sing glory to God forevermore.

Awake, my heart to sing thy praise, Thou Prince of Life and Fount of Grace,

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna evermore.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right and a good and joyful thing to give thanks to you always, Creator God, because you have made the world in all its complexity. You have given humanity abundant good things. You have provided us with paths leading to wisdom through deprivation and suffering. And you have shown us, through the incarnation of your love in Jesus Christ, the way of reconciliation through letting go of self and material concerns, seeking first the compassionate ways of God.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Ever Living God, you have created the world out of nothingness. You are present in both the darkness and the light.

You have created humanity from the dust of the earth, and have given us the ability to choose between good and evil. You have called your prophets and champions from among the lowly. You have formed your people through wanderings in the desert and through exile in foreign lands. In your desire to be known to us, you have entered into our struggles, coming among us in flesh and blood in Jesus. He was conceived amid scandal, born in want, raised in obscurity. With us he experienced hunger and thirst, temptation, rejection, doubt, grief, suffering, and death.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in 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 all for the forgiveness of sin. 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.

The Celebrant continues

Now in this sacred rite of thanksgiving and praise we celebrate the saving work of Jesus. For in him the cross, the instrument of torture and death, has been transformed into a sign of reconciliation and abundant life. Recalling his life and teaching, his death and resurrection, we offer these gifts of bread and wine. Spirit of Compassion, breathe upon them now, making them for us the very body and blood of your son, Jesus Christ. And breathe your Spirit into us so that, having partaken of this sacred meal in faith, we may serve you in unity, constancy and peace, and may dwell forever in the joy of communion with you.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ, the human incarnation of your Love. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of your Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, now and forever. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Faithful God,

in the wonder of your wisdom and love

you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,

and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine,

I thank you that I have received the sacrament

of Christ's presence,

the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,

may I embody your desire

and be renewed for your service,

through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

Let us Pray.

Prayer after Communion *Celebrant and People*

O God, you made us in your image and redeemed us through Jesus your son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that in your good time, all nations, races, and creeds may serve you in harmony. Amen

The service continues with the reading of the Passion.

The Passion Gospel

Mark 15:1-39

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, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered him, "You say so."

Then the chief priests accused Jesus of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival Pilate 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 Pilate answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas for them instead.

Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

The crowd shouted back, "Crucify him!"

Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?"

But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!"

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

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

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.

The soldiers compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry Jesus' cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then the soldiers brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull).

And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And the soldiers crucified Jesus, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified Jesus. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews," And with Jesus they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left.

Those who passed by derided Jesus, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking Jesus among themselves and saying, "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."

Those who were crucified with Jesus 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, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to Jesus to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

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 Jesus breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

The service ends in silence.

Happy Birthday

Pat Berman March 28 **Stephen Schneider** March 28 **Wayne Hood** March 28

Prayers

Parishioners: Patrick Gaul, Pam Weed, Bob Wolfson, and Susan Glenz-Pierce.

Family: Matt Stanhope, nephew of Martha O'Brien; **Reid Turner**, brother of Sarah Hancock; **Sandy & John Maloney**, parents; and **Allen Ekmark**, uncle of Heather Robertson; **Priscilla Williams**, sister of Bessie Holland; **Hilary Foster**, niece of Claudia Gimson; **Jackson Westphal**, nephew of Lori Westphal; **Jessica Longino Carrillo**, family of Bob Longino; **Jeannette Davis**, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; **Pete Webb**, brother of Hulan Webb; **Vincent Lafitte**; **Capt. Richard Murphy**, nephew of Christine & Jim Bird; **Mary Jane Hobbs**, sister of Sara Thomas; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold; **Maude Harris**, cousin of Gloria Nelson; **Beth Zimmerman**, mother of Justin Camara; **Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey**, **Sydney Cortez & Family**, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Tammy Hauser**, sister-in-law of Steve and Susan Hauser; **Ben Jennings**, nephew of Nancy Knight Latimore; **Arvis Morris**, mother, and **Katy Greenawalt**, sister of Lee Morris; **Deborah Smith**, wife of Leon Smith.

Friends: Emily Volin, (Heather Robertson); **Bob Adams**, (Tommy and Mary Jane Hannah); **Ellie Richards**, **Sherrel Howard**, (Mimi Gold); **Virginia Titshaw**, (Bob Longino); **Phil & Sharon Joseph & family**, (Sandra Dobbs); **Brad Johnson** (Priscilla Davis); **Sarah Dugas**, (Lori Westphal); **Sara Jane Gower** (Lindsey Reece); **Kirby Husbands**, (Hulan Webb); **Ginger Ader**, **The Bradshaw Family**, **Janet Cobb** (Claudia Gimson); **The Younus Family**, (Nancy & Jonathan Edman); **Christina & Francesco Ianni**, **Louise Delk**, **Pat Buffington**, **Frances Cortez**, (Rhea Hannah); **Benjamin Banas**, (Cathy Leake); **Marilyn McCroskey**, (Alan Toney); **Judy**, (David Abner); **Elaine Furman**, (Deborah Reece); **Cathy & Guy Frazee**, **Marty Rubin**, (Sallie Smith); **Lenay Horten**, **Gregory Olvey**, **Myrtle Alexander**, (Gloria Nelson); **Michellene Tipton**, **Jean & Thornton de Rosa**, **Debbie Bogard**, **James Bogard**, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Ralph Paulk**; **Cathy & Toby Raper**; **Bill & Deborah Reece and Lindsey Reece**; and **Joanne Ressler**. ✠

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially **Louise Fothergill**, family of Olivia Koenig; **Robert Manning**, friend of Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Nathan Hites**, friend of Kate Gaul; **Bob Inge**, friend of Bob Longino; and **Winnie Mark**, grandmother of Connor Mark. ✠

I invite your prayers for health care workers on the front lines of battling the Coronavirus, especially **Deb Dee**, **John Lloyd**, **Lauren Gensler**, **Debbie Leake**, **Rhonda Leake**, and **Audra Smith**.

We invite you to use this prayer list for your personal prayers. St. Dunstan's Julian of Norwich chapter of The Daughters of the King prays daily for all on the prayer list.

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.

From [The Book of Common Prayer](#), page 134.

Ministry Participants

Harriett Smith – Lay Reader
Elizabeth Wong Mark & Mary Jane Hannah – Altar Guild
Joseph Henry Monti – IT Streaming Support

Cover Illustration – "Eternal Last Supper"

The "Eternal Last Supper" by parishioner Greg Blount is a contemporary blending of sepia ink, gouache, and acrylic on paper. Using Divine proportions, the table bends to infinity as the Apostle-like characters are shown in all manner of engagement and isolation. The Great Plague was the context for the most revered painting of this scene, and the current pandemic inspired this piece with the blood of the lamb applied to guide the plague past our door in this time of Passover, which always occurs on a full moon. Because the eternal food of our soul can also include art, Greg has studied and painted for many years, including work at SCAD. His other work can be seen online @blountgw on Instagram or the Chattahoochee Hills Gallery in Serenbe.

The Jewish festival of Passover is held on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan, a lunar month determined by the moon's phases, so Passover is always on a full moon day.

Announcements

Holy Week Sock Drive

Instead of a Maundy Thursday foot washing, which is not possible this year because of Covid, we will instead live out Jesus' commandment to love one another with a sock drive. Socks are the most frequently requested item at homeless shelters. Think about it. If you're on your feet almost all day, a good pair of socks means more comfort and fewer blisters. We will be collecting socks through Easter. Bring them by the church and if no one is here you can put them in the bins by the front door. Socks will go to the foot clinic sponsored by Church of the Common Ground downtown.

Food Pantry

We are still collecting food each week for the Sandy Springs food pantries. When you're at the store pick up a few non-perishable items and drop them by the church. The need is still great.

Family Promise Volunteers

The Family Promise Board is attempting to expand volunteer roles. Family Promise coordinators from each church have been asked to share this initiative with each congregation and invite parishioners to share their time and talents in new ways. St. Dunstan's parishioners have consistently supported Family Promise during our quarterly host weeks and this role remains unchanged; however, if you are interested in volunteering in new ways please contact Family Promise coordinators Vivian Siggers at (251) 452-4246 or Mimi Gold at (678) 612-2246. Here are some of the areas where skills are needed: Fundraising; Grant Writing; Marketing/Public Relations; Education/Program Design; Financial Management; Language; Planning; Personnel; Teaching/Tutoring; Health and Wellness; Computer/Technology; Research and Evaluation; Organization/Administration.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

(ALL STREAMED ONLINE)

Monday - Wednesday 8 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. – April 1

At this service we remember Jesus' command to his followers on the last night of his life—to love one another as he has loved them.

Good Friday 7 p.m. – April 2

On this most somber day of the church year, we observe Jesus' death by crucifixion.

The Great Vigil of Easter 7 p.m. – April 3

Hear the stories of God's acts of salvation, and proclaim that Lent is over and Christ has risen.

Easter Day 10 a.m. – April 4

Come celebrate the joy of the resurrection.