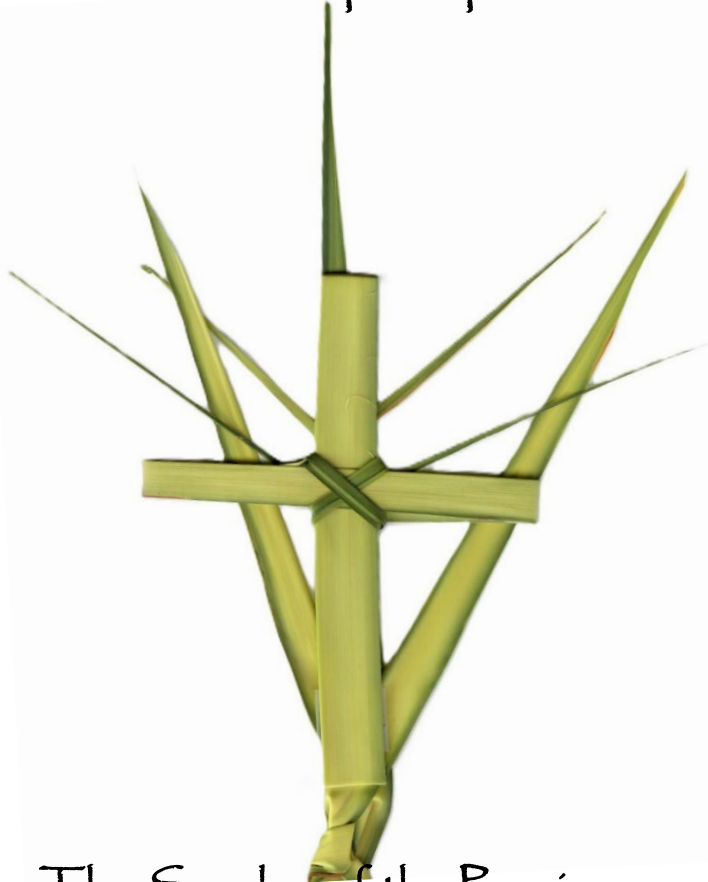


# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

## The Holy Eucharist

STREAMING FACEBOOK LIVE AT 10:45 A.M.

# The Liturgy of the Palms

*The congregation gathers in the Beech Grove. The palm branches are distributed to the people before the service.*

## 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* Let us pray.

*People* ***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 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.***

*The Celebrant then continues*

*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 Procession

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in peace.

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

## The Liturgy of the Palms Procession

The Antiphon is sung in full to begin Psalm 118. In between each verse sung by the Cantor, the people sing "Hosanna in the highest" in response. The Antiphon is sung in full to conclude the Palm Procession.

*Antiphon*

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes

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in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The procession continues into the church, where all sing the following hymn.

### Hymn in Procession 154

All glory, laud and honor

*Valet will ich dir geben*

*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,

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

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant*      *Together, let us pray.*

## The Collect of the Day *Celebrant and People*

Humble Lord, while people clamored for a warrior king, the colt revealed your servanthood; as you face the way of tears, take us from the baying mob to place our faith in you, Jesus Christ, our victim and our savior. Amen.

## 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.**

## Sequence Hymn 480

When Jesus left his Father's throne

*Kingsfold*



1 When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth;  
2 Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo - thers round him pressed;  
3 When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round;



like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth.  
their in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed.  
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.



Like him may we be found be - low, in wis - dom's path of peace;  
Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watchful eye,  
Ho - san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King!



like him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.  
thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.  
Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

When Jesus and his disciples 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 fulfill 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."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**Sermon****The Rev. Tricia Templeton****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.

***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.

***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

The Holy City

Stephen Adams, arr. Cain

Offertory Hymn

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!

Winchester New



1. Ride on! Ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark! all the tribes ho -  
2. Ride on! Ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride  
3. Ride on! Ride on in ma - jes - ty! The an - gel ar - mies

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san - nas cry; thy hum - ble beast pur - sues his road with  
on to die; O Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin o'er  
of the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring eyes to

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palms and scat - ter'd gar - ments strowed.  
cap - tie death and con - quer'd sin.  
see th'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

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

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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

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.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious God: 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 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 sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.*

## The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

**Fraction Anthem** S.161

Lamb of God

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

**The Communion of the People** *All people are invited to receive Communion.*

1 To mock your reign, O dear - est Lord, they made a crown of thorns;  
 2 In mock ac - claim, O gra - cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak,  
 3 A scep - tered reed, O pa - tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

set you with taunts a - long that road from which no one re - turns.  
 your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, in - to a sol - dier's joke.  
 and act - ed out their grim cha - rade to its ap - point - ed end.

They did not know, as we do now, that glo - rious is your crown;  
 They did not know, as we do now, that though we mer - it blame  
 They did not know, as we do now, though em -pires rise and fall,

that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor - rows heal our own.  
 you will your robe of mer - cy throw a - round our na - ked shame.  
 your King - dom shall not cease to grow till love em - bra - ces all.

\*The bracketed notes are to be treated as triplet groups.

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Let us pray.

**Prayer after Communion** *Celebrant and People*

Almighty and ever living 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.

*Please be seated. All are invited to remain for prayer and reflection for as long as you wish.  
There is no closing hymn or dismissal. Please leave in silence.*

**The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew**

**Matthew 26:14-27:66**

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*Passion Readers*

Narrator	The Reverend Maggie Harney	Servant 2	Marilyn Morgan
Judas	Ralph Paulk	Pilate	Matthew McCawley
Peter	Jon Throop	Pilate's wife	Susan Hauser
Jesus	Steve Hauser	Centurion	Alex Pierre
Bystander 1	Susie Throop	Scribe	Karen Dessables
Caiaphas	John Gimson	Elder	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Servant 1	Marshall Kress	Bystander 2	Claudia Gimson

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# The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

## Matthew 26:14–27:66

- Narrator*        **The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.**
- 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 Jesus to you?
- Narrator*        The priests paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment Judas began to look for an opportunity to betray Jesus.
- On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,
- Peter*            Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?
- Narrator*        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.”
- Narrator*        So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, Jesus took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,
- Jesus*            Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.
- Narrator*        And the disciples became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,
- Peter*            Surely not I, Lord?
- Narrator*        He answered,
- Jesus*            The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.
- Narrator*        Judas, who betrayed him, said,
- Judas*            Surely not I, Rabbi?
- Narrator*        Jesus replied,
- Jesus*            You have said so.
- Narrator*        While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,
- Jesus*            Take, eat; this is my body.

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

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

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

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

*Narrator* Peter said to him,

*Peter* Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

*Narrator* Jesus said to him,

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

*Narrator* Peter said to him,

*Peter* Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Narrator* Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

*Jesus* So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

*Narrator* Again Jesus went away for the second time and prayed,

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

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

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

*Narrator* While Jesus 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 the crowd a sign, saying,

*Judas* The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

*Narrator* At once Judas came up to Jesus and said,

*Judas* Greetings, Rabbi!

*Narrator* and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

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

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

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

*Narrator* At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

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

*Narrator* Then all the disciples deserted Jesus 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, Peter 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 one came forward and said,

*Bystander 1* This fellow said, “I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.”

*Narrator* The high priest stood up and said to Jesus,

*Caiaphas* Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

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

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

*Narrator* Jesus said to him,

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

*Narrator* Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

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

*Narrator* The scribes and elders answered,

*Congregation* He deserves death.

*Narrator* Then they spat in Jesus’ face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

*Congregation* Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?

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

*Servant 1* You also were with Jesus the Galilean.

*Narrator* But Peter denied it before all of them, saying,

*Peter* I do not know what you are talking about.

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

*Servant 2* This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.

*Narrator* Again Peter denied it with an oath,

*Peter* I do not know the man.

*Narrator* After a little while a bystander came up and said to Peter,

*Bystander 1* Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.

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

*eter* I do not know the man!

*Narrator* At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said:

*Jesus* Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.

*Narrator* And Peter 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. Judas said,

*Judas* I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.

*Narrator* But the chief priests and elders said,

*Congregation* What is that to us? See to it yourself.

*Narrator* Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, Judas departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the high priest, taking the pieces of silver, said,

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

*Narrator* After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me.

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

*Pilate* Are you the King of the Jews?

*Narrator* Jesus said,

*Jesus* You say so.

*Narrator* But when Jesus 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?

*Narrator* But Jesus 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 the crowd,

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

*Narrator* For Pilate realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests and the elders had handed Jesus over.  
While Pilate 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.

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

*Pilate* Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

*Narrator* And the crowd said,

*Congregation* Barabbas.

*Narrator* Pilate said to them,

*Pilate* Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

*Narrator* All of them said,

*Congregation* Let him be crucified!

*Narrator* Then Pilate asked,

*Pilate* Why, what evil has he done?

*Narrator* But the crowd shouted all the more,

*Congregation* Let him be crucified!

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

*Pilate* I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

*Narrator* Then the people as a whole answered,

*Congregation* His blood be on us and on our children!

*Narrator* So Pilate 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 Jesus 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,

*Centurion* Hail, King of the Jews!

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

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

***All stand.***

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

Over Jesus' head they put the charge against him, which read, "this is Jesus, the King of the Jews.

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

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

*Caiaphas* He saved others; he cannot save himself.

*Scribe* He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him.

*Elder* He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if God wants to; for this man said, "I am God's Son."

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

*Jesus* Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?

*Narrator* That is,

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

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

*Bystander 1* This man is calling for Elijah.

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

*Bystander 2* Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

*Narrator* Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

***Silence may be kept.***

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!

## Ministry Schedule

	<b>Palm Sunday March 29th</b>
Vestry on Duty	Ralph Paulk
Lay Reader: 8:30 am	Peg Maloney
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	Claudia Gimson
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Bill Reece
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Marshall Kress
Ushers / Greeters	Ralph Paulk
Altar Guild	Elizabeth / Fina / Ralph
Flower Guild	

## Holy Week Ministry Schedule

	<b>Maundy Thursday – April 2nd</b>	<b>Good Friday - April 3rd</b>
Vestry on Duty	Alex Pierre	Jessica Peoples
Lay Reader: 7 pm	Susie Throop	~
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Hanna Woodburn	Tom Barnett
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Bob Longino	John Gimson
Ushers / Greeters	Gwen McApline & Paul Zimmer	John Gimson
Altar Guild	Marshall / Elizabeth	Elizabeth

	<b>Easter Vigil – April 4th</b>	<b>Easter Sunday April 5th</b>
Vestry on Duty	Ralph Paulk	Susie Throop
Lay Reader: 7 pm	Lynn Hood	~
Lay Reader: 8:30 am	~	Claudia Gimson
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	~	Bill Reece
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Zoe McMichael	Lucy Kaltenbach
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Bill Reece	Josh Taylor
Lector 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lesson	Josh Taylor	~
Lector 4 <sup>th</sup> Lesson	Jessica Peoples	~
Lector 5 <sup>th</sup> Lesson	Elizabeth Wong Mark	~
Ushers / Greeters	Elizabeth Wong Mark	Gwen McApline & Paul Zimmer
Altar Guild	Marshall / Elizabeth	Ralph / Claudia / Mary Jane
Flower Guild	Flower Guild Members	Flower Guild Members

# Belated Happy Birthday

**Sherrri Crawford** March 24 **Jackie O'Connell** March 24 **Tom Gibbs** March 25  
**Bob Longino** March 27 **Wayne Hood** March 28 **Steven Schneider** March 28

## Prayer Requests

**Parishioners: Rebecca Parker; Lisa Wilson; Virginia Skinner; Peggy Rogers; Priscilla Davis; Donna Thomas; and Cathy Leake.**

**Family: Jaymee Morris**, daughter-in-law of Lee Morris; **Rachel Monti**, niece of Tricia Templeton; **George Robinson**, nephew of Hollis & Bessie Holland; **Glenda Owens**, grandmother of Lillian Amengual; **Kristen Macys, Kathy Benedict**, family of Andrea & Anil Weerakoon and Brenda Patten; **Bryan Wilson**, brother of Mary Jane Hannah; **Terra Garrett**, cousin of Cathleen Hackett; **Jane Schneiderwind**, sister of Mimi Gold; **Cody Young**, cousin of the Reece Family; **Roswitha Moos**, grandmother of Katharina McCawley; **Tiffiny Lucas**, niece, of Vivian Siggers; **Chris Ekmark**, cousin of Heather Robertson; **Carra & Vincent Lafitte, Larry & Sharon Mobley, Jack & Linda Mobley** family of Daria Jones & Bruce Lafitte; **Charlie Bunn**, cousin of Tiffany Wilson; **Aggie Whyte, Priscilla Williams**, sisters of Bessie Holland; **Oakley Family**, cousins of Priscilla Davis; **Mary Jane Hobbs**, sister of Sara Thomas; **Deni Omundson, Sydney Cortez & Family**, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Karen**, sister of Steve Hauser; **Jessica LeClaire**, sister of Sara Thornton; **Clare Richardson**, sister-in-law of Penny France; **Deborah Ellis-Williams**, mother of Jackie O'Connell; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold.

**Friends: Dena Horner** (Bob Longino); **Julie Fowkes**, (Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer); **Wanda Arrowood, Carol Davis, Carolyn Timmons** (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); **Cookie Dennis; Kelsey Clark; Miriam & Santana Herrera; Cary Ralls & Mark Sillay; Patricia Woods; Walter Buchanan** (Rhea Hannah); **Able Mable Thomas** (Lee Morris); **Bob Adams** (Mary Jane Hannah); **Marilyn Reynolds** (Bessie Holland); **Tony Rizzuto** (Daria Jones); **Sara Corredor** (Tiffany Wilson); **Rik Rasmussen** (Anil & Andrea Patten-Weerakoon); **Gay McNeely, John Ware** (Suzanne Van de Mark); **Lauren Courtney Robinson** (Lindsey Reece); **Neil, Emma, Addison Bonser** (Brown family); **Barry Mazor** (Bob Wolfson); **Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas** (Cathy Leake); **Bill Cobb, Sandy Jusak, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard** (Jeanne & Josh Taylor); **Carolyn Neely Holmes** (Vivian Siggers); **Jennifer Pern, Sherrel Howard** (Mimi Gold); **Madison Fucita & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry** (Priscilla Davis).

We give thanks for our parish especially **Sara Thornton; Susie & Jon Throop; Alan Toney;** and **James Tran & Misty Bentz.**

We pray for all those who have died, remembering especially **Ralph Skillern**, father of Rebecca Parker.

## Vestry 2025 - 2026

Susie Throop, Sr. Warden; Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, Jr. Warden;  
Suzanne Johnson; Ralph Paulk; Sarah Hancock;  
Marshall Kress; Jessica Peoples; Alexander Pierre; Tom Wilson

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The Reverend Maggie Harney, Priest Associate

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