



Holy Eucharist
Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 2nd, 2023
10 am Service

Liturgy of the Palms

Meet in Garden for procession to 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.***

Reading

Reader A reading from the book of Matthew (21:1-11)

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."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

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 him 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.***

Branches are distributed.

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

People ***Hosanna in the highest.***

The Procession

Celebrant

Let us go forth in peace.

People

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The people process joyfully into the church, ringing bells and waving palms.

Procession Hymn-All glory, laud, and honor (v.1)

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.

Station at the door of the church.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

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.***

Continue singing "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (v.2-5)

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

His mercy endures for ever.

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

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet 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?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

The Psalm Appointed

Reader The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 31 verses 9-16. Let us read in unison

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."

Second Reading

Reader A reading from the letter to the 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence *Filled with excitement* **We will sing (in English) verse 1.**

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1. Man - tos y pal - mas es - par - cien - do va
2. Co - mo en la en - tra - da de Je - ru - sa - lén,
1. Filled with ex - cite - ment, all the hap - py throng
2. As in that en - trance to Je - ru - sa - lem,

el pue - blo a - le - gre de Je - ru - sa - lén. A - llá a lo le - jos se vis -
to - dos can - ta - mos a Je - sús el Rey, al Cris - to vi - vo que nos
Spread cloaks and branch - es on the cit - y streets. There in the dis - tance they be -
ho - san - nas we will sing to Je - sus Christ, To our Re - deem - er who still

lum - bra ya en un po - lli - no al Sal - va - dor Je - sús.
lla - ma hoy pa - ra se - guir - le con a - mor y fe.
gin to see, there on a don - key, comes the Sav - ior, Christ.
calls to - day, asks us to fol - low with our love and faith.

Estríbillo (Refrain)

Mien - tras mil vo - ces re - sue - nan por do - quier, ho -
From ev - ery cor - ner a thou - sand voic - es sing

san - na al que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.
praise to the One who comes in the name of God.

Con un a - lien - to de gran ex - cla - ma - ción pro -
Our ac - cla - ma - tion breaks forth in shouts of praise, our tri -

um - pen con voz triun - fal: "¡Ho -
um - phant_ song of joy: "Ho -

san - na! ¡Ho - san - na al Rey,"
san - na, ho - san - na to Christ!

"¡Ho - san - na al Rey!"
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na to Christ!"

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Holy Gospel

Congregation plays the part of The Crowd.

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

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 him to you?

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: 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.’

Matthew: 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.

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

Disciples: Surely not I, Lord?

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: Judas, who betrayed him, said,

Judas: Surely not I, Rabbi?

Matthew: Jesus replied,

Jesus: You have said so.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: Peter said to him,

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

Matthew: Jesus said to him,

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

Matthew: Peter said to him,

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

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

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

Judas: Greetings, Rabbi!

Matthew: and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

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

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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,

Witnesses: This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'

Matthew: The high priest stood up and said,

High Priest: Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: They answered,

Priests: He deserves death.

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: But he denied it before all of them, saying,

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

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: Again he denied it with an oath,

Peter: I do not know the man.

Matthew: After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

***Crowd:* Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.**

Matthew: Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

Peter: I do not know the man!

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: But they said,

Priests: What is that to us? See to it yourself.

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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.'

Matthew: Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?

Matthew: Jesus said,

Jesus: You say so.

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: And they said,

Crowd: Barabbas.

Matthew: Pilate said to them,

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

Matthew: All of them said,

Crowd: Let him be crucified!

Matthew: Then he asked,

Pilate: Why, what evil has he done?

Matthew: But they shouted all the more,

Crowd: Let him be crucified!

Matthew: 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.

Matthew: Then the people as a whole answered,

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

Matthew: 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,

Soldiers: Hail, King of the Jews!

Matthew: 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. 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,

(At the mention of the place called the Skull, all should stand, as able.)

Crowd: 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.

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

Crowd: 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.'

Matthew: 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?

Matthew: that is,

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

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

Crowd: This man is calling for Elijah.

Matthew: 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,

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

Matthew: Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. 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!

Matthew: 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,

Priests: 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.

Matthew: Pilate said to them,

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

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

The Nicene Creed *All stand.*

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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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

After the Creed: You may sit, kneel, or remain standing for the Prayers.

Prayers of the People: Form IV

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Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world; especially for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; Church of the Resurrection in Windcrest; Church of the Redeemer in Eagle Pass; and for our Vestry and staff. For all the bishops and other ministers especially Michael our Presiding Bishop; David and Rayford, our bishops; David, our Bishop Coadjutor, Stephen, Patricia, and Tom, our priests, and their families. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader Guide the people of this land, and all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Especially our President, our Governor, our Mayor, and all our elected officials. For the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, and for Children's Advocacy Center and its work in our community. Lord, in your mercy

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of other and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for our families, friends, and neighbors; especially for: Jared Dempster, Casidi Cochran, Pablo Sosa, Warren Wundt, Daniel Berry, Ben Woodward, Grace Woodward, Julie Champion, Lynwood Jones, Amy Lacey, Mari Allmond, Dennis Engblom, Les Shephard, Abe Zapata, Charlie Smith, Frances Billeaud, Dan Reimer, Chris Krippner, Letty O'Brien, Bill Edwards, Evelyn Neumann, Dr. Richie Spence, Tom Lehman, Margaret Hopkins, Colin Baker, Donald Schwartz, Lael Seagert, David Hamer, Alex McInnis, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris. For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially: Mickie Teagarden, Ann Ramsey, Mary Louise Donegan, Helen Martinson, Audrey Herron, Kenneth Minter, and Betty Rainey. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Peace

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

Birthday Prayers- *Celebrant and People* **O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Amy Bethel, Mark Gustafson, Clara Rosito, Tracy Donley, John Mahan, and Wayne Beeman, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Anniversary Prayers- *Celebrant and People* **O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon your servants, Brandon & Charlene Vardeman and Mark Dibble & Jennifer Spencer, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem- *Prepare the Way, O Zion-* arr. Mark Schweizer

Adult Choir

Doxology- *Celebrant and People:* **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving -*Eucharistic Prayer A*

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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 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.

Celebrant 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 power and
might. heaven 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Optional text:



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After the Sanctus: You may kneel or remain standing for the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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."

Celebrant 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.***

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, 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 you 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

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Celebrant 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

The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Fraction Anthem *The congregation sings the entire anthem.*

Hymnal S170

Antiphon
Cantor; then All

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for ev - er.

Cantor

1. This is the true bread which comes down from hea - ven

Cantor

and gives life to the world. [Ant.] 2. Who - ev - er
believes in me shall not hun - ger or thirst, for the bread
which I give for the life of the world is my flesh. [Ant.]

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Invitation

Celebrant 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.

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Those who would prefer a gluten-free wafer can request one at the altar rail from the priest.

Communion Hymn 1 - O Sacred head, sore wounded

Hymnal 168

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,
1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn;
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.
3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er and should I faint-ing be,
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

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Communion Hymn 2 – *Ah, holy Jesus how hast thou offended*

Hymnal 158

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion; thy mor - tal
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Postcommunion Hymn- *When I survey the wondrous cross (v. 1-3)*

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,



Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

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

Postlude-*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Wendi Gustafson- Organ

Ministers in the Lord's Service

Celebrant- Fr. Stephen Shortess

The Rev. Patricia Riggins

Lay Reader- Clara Spencer-Dibble

LEM- Mark Keddal

Altar Guild- Jan Suhr, Sally Keddal, Joyce Richey, Linda Lynn, Holly Modl

Ushers- Robin Walker, Darrell & Cassie Huck

Offertory Tellers- Frank Galaway & Jim Anderson

Vestry of the Week-Curley Gilmore

Musicians- Wendi Gustafson- Music Director/Organ

Leo Garcia- Choir Director/Cantor

Choral Scholars- Ellie Follis, Kellie Ranft

Cameramen/Technicians- Jack Merrell, Betty Anderson, Will Follis,

Susan Rinn, Warren Wundt

Sound- Jim Anderson

Passion Narrative Characters

Matthew- Clara Spencer-Dibble

Soldiers- Colin Spencer-Dibble

Disciples- Fr. Stephen Shortess

Judas- Fr. Stephen Shortess

High Priest- The Rev. Patricia Riggins

Pilate's wife- Gerry Richardson

Witnesses 1 & 2- Gerry Richardson

Jesus- Mark Keddal

Priests- Steve Callegari

Peter- Chuck Ingersoll

Bystander- Steve Callegari

Pilate- Racer Yoemans

Servant Girl 1 & 2- Kelly Follis

Centurion- Don Richey

Announcements

Please join us for the rest of our Holy Week Services and Events!



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church – Seguin Texas Holy Week Schedule:

Maundy Thursday:

7:00 P.M. Eucharist Service with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar.

Good Friday:

12:00 P.M. Good Friday Service with Veneration of the Cross.

12:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. Our Historic Chapel will be open for quiet reflection.

3:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross begins at the bell tower.

Easter Sunday:

8:00 A.M. Spoken Eucharist Service.

10:00 A.M. Eucharist Service with Hymns and Flowering of the Children's Cross.

11:00 A.M. Easter Luncheon Feast in McKeogh Hall; Paschal Mystery and Easter Egg Hunt in Garden for Children of all ages.

St. Andrew's Family Easter events-Although the alleluias have been buried away for the Lenten season, they will rise again on Easter Sunday. Join your St. Andrew's family to celebrate by participating in each Easter Sunday event!

- Come to church a few minutes early and bring some flowers from home to help flower the cross before the 10 am service. (Anyone who would like to add flowers to the cross is welcome to do so.)

- After the **10 am service**, kids of all ages are encouraged to gather at the bell tower with baskets in hand to help Paschal follow the clues to find his Alleluia, afterwards they will have an Easter egg hunt in the garden. (**We'll need plenty of volunteers to bring plastic eggs with wrapped candy or small toys inside—and we'll need a few Easter bunnies to help hide them!** Email Jennifer Shortess at jennifer.shortess@gmail.com or Tracy Donley at tracydonley4@gmail.com to let us know if you'd be willing to help. Eggs can be dropped off in the church office or on Sundays any time before the big day.)
- We will finish out the celebration with a traditional ham luncheon. McKeogh Hall and the garden will be open for seating. **Please bring your favorite side dish that goes with ham or your favorite dessert** (*preferably finger desserts so that leftovers can be used for cookies in the courtyard*). Dishes can be dropped off before the 10 o'clock service. Also, we are in need volunteers to help clean up. If you are willing to help, please let Kelly Follis know.

The church office will be closed Easter Monday, April 10th. We will reopen Tuesday, April 11th at 9 am.

Come One, Come Y'all to St. Andrew's Texans Reaching Out! Bring your friends and join your church family in support of St. Andrew's outreach ministries such as Habitat for Humanity, Child Protective Services, The Christian Cupboard, The Owen Project, our Honduras mission, and many other worthy causes. Texans Reaching Out is slated for **Friday, April 28 at 5:30 at The Texas Theater. Tickets are \$25 per person** and include hors d'oeuvres and drinks! Get your ticket today from **Kelly Follis on Sundays or in the church office during the week!** If you have any questions or want to offer an item you believe would sell well in our live auction, contact Kelly at 830.305.1534 or kdfoll123@yahoo.com.

St. Andrew's Veterans and supporters are invited to a **social event on Saturday, April 15th** hosted by the Pikes at their farm (**1265 Willmann Rd**). Meat will be provided. Attendees are asked to bring your favorite side dish or dessert. **RSVP to Robert Pike at 830 560-2326 or robertpike81@yahoo.com.**
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