



St. John's Episcopal Church
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T Palm **Sunday**

A stylized, black silhouette of a palm frond, positioned diagonally below the word "Sunday".

The Sunday of the Passion
Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

Order of Service
8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist – Rite I

8:00 a.m.

The Blessing of the Palms

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalms 31:9-16, *In te, Domine, speravi*

BCP-623

Philippians 2:5-11

The Gospel (please stand) Luke 22:14 – 23:56 [Please see insert]

Sermon

The Rev. Charles W. Messer

The Prayers of the People

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The Peace

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer I

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The Lord's Prayer

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All Baptized Christians are Welcome to Receive Communion.

Post-Communion Prayer

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The Solemn Collect

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Holy Eucharist – Rite II
10:30 a.m.
Order of Service

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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

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.*

Luke 19:28-40

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *

"His mercy endures for ever."

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

**20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."**

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

**22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.**

23 This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! *
LORD, send us now success.

**26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
we bless you from the house of the LORD.**

27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

**28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."**

29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Blessing of the Palms

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.

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.*

Motet (at the blessing of the Palms)

Pueri Hebraeorum

Tomás Luis de Victoria

Pueri Hebraeorum

The children of the Hebrews

vestimenta prosternebant in via,

threw their clothing in the way

et clamabant dicentes:

and cried aloud saying:

Hosanna filio David;

Hosanna to the Son of David;

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Procession of the Palms

With guest Bagpiper: Thom Moore

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

During the procession, all hold branches in their hands.

At a suitable place, the procession may halt while the following Collect is said.

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.*

At the entrance to the Church, we sing.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
(*Tune: Valet will ich dir geben*)

(*Refrain*) All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!

To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

1. Thou are the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One. (Refrain)
2. The company of angels is praising thee on high;
And we with all creation in chorus make reply. (Refrain)
3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
And praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present. (Refrain)
4. To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. (Refrain)
5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. (Refrain)



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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?

Psalm 31:9-16, *In re, Domine, speravi*
(Sung by the Choir)

BCP-623
Gregorian Psalm Tone VII.3

- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 **For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.**
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

- 12 **I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; ***
I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
- 14 **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. ***
I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 **Make your face to shine upon your servant, ***
and in your loving-kindness save me."

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.

Gradual Hymn

"O Sacred Head Sore Wounded"
Passion Chorale

H-168

The Gospel Luke 22:14 – 23:56 (Please see insert.)

The Nicene Creed	BCP-358
Prayers of the People (Form IV)	BCP-388
The Peace	BCP-360
Announcements	

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem	<i>Into Your Hands I Surrender My Soul</i>	Michael John Trotta
	Into your hands I surrender my whole soul. Not mine, but may your will be done.	

Presentation Hymn	H-380, v. 3 (Old Hundredth)
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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP-361
Sanctus	Franz Schubert S-130
Acclamation (sung)	William Clisham
Amen	McNeil Robinson II S-146
The Lord's Prayer	BCP-364
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP-364
Fraction Anthem	<i>Christ Our Passover</i> Ambrosian Chant S-153 <i>Agnus Dei</i> Franz Schubert S-164

Communion Motet	<i>Behold the Savior of Mankind</i>	Christopher Tye
	Behold the Savior of mankind nailed to the shameful tree! How vast the love that Him inclined to bleed and die for thee! 'Tis done; the precious ransom's paid; "Receive My soul!" He cries. See where He bows His sacred head; He bows His head and dies. But soon He'll break death's envious chain and in full glory shine. O Lamb of God, was ever pain, was ever love, like thine? <i>All are Welcome to Receive Communion.</i>	

Post Communion Prayer	BCP-366
The Solemn Collect	BCP-221

Hymn at the Retiring Procession	
	<i>"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"</i> H-474 Rockingham

Organ Postlude*Organ Chorale on “Rockingham”*

Craig Sellar Lang

It has long been the custom at St. John’s Church for the congregation to be seated and listen to the Organ Postlude. Please do not feel compelled to do so; but if you prefer to leave immediately after the candles are extinguished, please depart quietly so those who wish to do so may listen prayerfully to the Postlude.

We welcome our bag piper, **Thom Moore**, and thank him for his participation in our Palm Sunday service.

The Salem Ministerium Cycle of Prayer:**Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ.****Today we pray for the Mt. Pisgah African Methodist Episcopal Church.****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Music in Today’s Liturgy: Today is Palm Sunday, also referred to as the Sunday of the Passion, for obvious reasons—we will read and hear the entire Passion of Christ according to St. Luke today. The Choir will chant **Psalm 31:9-16** using a Gregorian Chant Psalm Tone. The Choir’s **Offering Anthem** is a movement from *Seven Last Words (Septem Ultima Verba)* composed in 2016 by Michael John Trotta (b. 1978), one of the rising stars of choral composition in the USA and a long-time friend of St. John’s Church ever since his undergraduate days at Rowan University. The text puts Michael’s own theological twist on Jesus’ last words. The **Communion Motet** pairs a text by Samuel Wesley, Sr. (ca, 1709) with a musical setting by Christopher Tye (1497-1572), Master of the Choristers at Ely Cathedral, and a prolific composer of sacred music, much of which is lost, save for his complete metrical settings of the Acts of the Apostles. The **Organ Postlude** is a brief, quiet setting of the tune used as our final Hymn, “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” by Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971) a New-Zealand born British organist, composer and teacher, whose text books on organ playing and sight singing influenced generations of music students at the Royal College of Music, London.

Food Pantry: The Food Pantry distribution day is on Tuesday from noon to 2:00 p.m. There are copies of the distribution sites on the hall counter in the Parish House. Please note that we continue to need volunteers and contributions. We served **57** people this week. 4/2 – Trudy, 4/9 – Bonnie & Rick, **4/16 – Open**, 4/23 – Sue, 4/30 – Ron Magill. **The April calendar for volunteers is posted on the office door. Please volunteer if you are able.**

Today is the last day to submit your Easter Flower dedications.

Today the **Salem Area Ministerium** is sponsoring a **Palm Sunday Procession** for the Churches in the area beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the 1st Presbyterian Church and going around the block from Broadway to 5th Street to Griffith Street and back. [Much like the Cross Walk on Good Friday.] All the Churches are invited to participate.

NOTE: The Bible studies on **Wednesday and Thursday, May 1 and 2** will focus on C. S. Lewis' book, *Mere Christianity*. Father Chuck will offer more details.

Another deadline on April 15: Tomorrow is the last day to order Easter flowers.

We appreciate the Participants in Today's Services:

8:00 a.m.

Presiding and Preaching	The Rev. Charles W. Messer
Celebrants	The People of St. John's
Chalicer/Lector/POP	Jim Davis

10:30 a.m.

Presiding and Preaching	The Rev. Charles W. Messer
Assisting	The Rev. Deacon Sally Maurer
Celebrants	The People of St. John's
Musicians	William Clisham, Minister of Music
	St. John's Choir
Chalicer	Sue Harker
Lector/POP	Ron Magill
Acolyte Guild	David Miller
	Tiana Trinidad, Declan McAllistar

Ushers

We regret to inform you of the passing of **Louie Gleissner**, brother of Juliana Freize, Theresa VanSant, Karla Forté, Sylvia Price, Victoria Johnston; and his daughter, Olivia Gleissner. Service will be here Monday, April 15, 2019, Visitation is at 10:00 a.m. and the service will begin at 10:30 followed by committal in the cemetery and a reception in the Parish Hall.
 May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

	<u>Attendance</u>			
	March 17	March 24	March 31	April 7
8:00 a.m.	19	19	12	19
10:30 a.m.	44	40	47	42
April 7	Pledge	\$ 1,289.21	Loose	\$ 25.00

Counters

4/14 Ron Magill, Mary Anne Clisham
4/21 Ann Neff, Mary Anne Clisham
4/28 Bill Mecum, Ron Magill
5/5 Ann Neff, Mary Anne Clisham
5/12 Bill Mecum, Courtenay Reece

Please Pray for:

Alice Fogg and Collins Patrick
Tyler P. VanSant, and his wife, Sarah, and son, Luke
Reggie and Mary Henderson
Joseph Peterson III
Aud Hamilton

This Week's Parish Calendar

Sun, 4/14 Palm Sunday: Sunday of the Passion
The Rev. Charles W. Messer presiding.
8:00 AM. Holy Eucharist I / Blessing of the Palms - Chapel
10:00 a.m. Ministerium Palm Procession
10:30 AM. Blessing of the Palms - Parish Hall
Procession to the Church
Holy Eucharist II – Church;
Fellowship Hour.

Mon, 4/15 Funeral Service – Louie Gleissner
10:00 Visitation, 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Committal & Reception.

Tue, 4/16 9:00 a.m. Quilters;
7:00 p.m. NA.

Wed, 4/17 10:30 a.m. Bible Study;
Noon – Holy Eucharist;
7:00 p.m. Service of Tenebrae – St. Luke's, Woodstown;
8:00 p.m. AA.

Thu, 4/18 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar.

Fri, 4/19 Good Friday: 12 noon – Liturgy in Chapel;
7:00 p.m. Liturgy in Church.

Sat, 4/20 4:00 p.m. Resurrection Cookies Workshop in Parish Hall;
Easter Vigil: 6:00 p.m. – begins in the Chapel.

Next Sunday - Easter Day April 21

The Rev. Charles W. Messer presiding.

8:00 a.m. Easter Holy Eucharist;

Easter Egg Hunt after this service;

10:15 a.m. Easter Music with Brass

10:30 Easter Festival Eucharist;

Fellowship Hour and Easter Egg Hunt following this service.

Holy Week Worship

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday, April 14

8:00 AM. Holy Eucharist I / Blessing of the Palms - Chapel

10)) a.m. Ministerium Palm Procession starting at 1st Pres

10:30 a.m. Blessing of the Palms - Parish Hall

Procession to the Church

Holy Eucharist II - Church

Wednesday of Holy Week , April 17

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae at

St. Luke's, Woodstown

Holy (Maundy) Thursday, April 18

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist II

& Stripping of the Altar

Father Chuck presiding

Good Friday, April 19 Rev. Deacon Sally Maurer presiding

12:00 p.m. Spoken Good Friday Liturgy - Chapel

12:00-3:00 Ministerium at Haven Church

5:45 p.m. Cross Walk beginning at Spirit Life Center;

7:00 p.m. Sung Good Friday Liturgy – Church

Father Chuck presiding

Holy Saturday, April 20

4:00 p.m. Resurrection Cookies Workshop in Parish Hall;

6:00 p.m. Easter Vigil - Chapel and Church

Lighting of the New Fire, Chanting of the Exsultet,

The First Eucharist of Easter

Father Chuck presiding

Easter Day, April 21

8:00 a.m. Rite I in the Chapel

Easter Egg Hunt following the service

10:15 a.m. Easter Music with Brass

10:30 Easter Festival Eucharist

Father Chuck presiding

Fellowship Hour and Easter Egg Hunt following the service.

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