

The Sunday of the Passion

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025

10:00 A.M.

The Liturgy of the Palms

The people gather in Butler Fellowship Hall.

The branches of palms are to be carried in the procession.

The following anthem is said, the people standing.

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

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give 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 forever. ***Amen.***

The following may then be said

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Procession to the Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Children ages 3-8 process with the Children's Liturgy Leader from Butler Fellowship Hall to the front of the church, then onto the Children's Ministry Building. The children will return after the peace.

Deacon Let us go forth in peace.

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

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (Sanctuary only)

BCP, p. 760

During the procession, all hold branches in their hands. As all enter the church the people sing.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Hymn 154

*All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessèd One. *Refrain*

The company of angels is praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply. *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present. *Refrain*

To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain*

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. *Refrain*

Collect at the Foot of the Altar *(please kneel, as able)*

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.**

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.**

A Reading from the Book of 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?

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 31:9-16

S 417

Thomas Dupuis
(1733-1796)



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 con- 'sumed.

- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of 'my ac- 'quaintance; *
when they see me in the 'street 'they a- 'void 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 a- 'round; *
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 'persec- 'ute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine up- 'on your 'servant, *
and in your 'loving- 'kindness 'save me."

A Reading from the Letter of Paul 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.

The Word of the Lord

People ***Thanks be to God***

The Sequence

At the Name of Jesus (vs. 1-4)

Hymn 435

Palm Sunday Eucharist

The congregation reads the part of the crowd.

The Passion According to Luke (*Luke 22:66-23:56*)

Narrator Hear the passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

(Please be seated)

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

Lector If you are the Messiah, tell us.

Narrator He replied,

Jesus If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.

Narrator All of them asked,

Lector Are you, then, the Son of God?

Narrator He said to them,

Jesus You say that I am.

Narrator Then they said,

Lector What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!

Narrator Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

Lector We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.

Narrator Then Pilate asked him,

Lector Are you the king of the Jews?

Narrator He answered,

Jesus You say so.

Narrator Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Lector I find no basis for an accusation against this man.

Narrator But they were insistent and said,

Lector He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.

Narrator When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

Lector You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.

Narrator Then they all shouted out together,

Crowd *Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!*

Narrator (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

Crowd *Crucify, crucify him!*

Narrator A third time he said to them,

Lector Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.

Narrator But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?

(Congregation please stand)

Narrator Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

Jesus Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.

Narrator And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

Lector He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!

Narrator The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

Lector If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!

Narrator There was also an inscription over him, ‘This is the King of the Jews.’ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

Lector Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

Narrator But the other rebuked him, saying,

Lector Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.

Narrator Then he said,

Lector Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Narrator Jesus replied,

Jesus Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

Narrator It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

Jesus Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Narrator Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

Lector Certainly this man was innocent.

Narrator And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Narrator Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

The Prayers of the People, Form II

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I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for the appointment of the next Archbishop of Canterbury, for our Presiding Bishop Sean, for our Bishops Andrew, Brian, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, praying together for those in our parish prayer list.

Barry, Carol, Curt, Deirin, Donna, Gus, Joseph, Lindsey, Lyndia, Oliver

The People may add their own petitions.

The Deacon and Celebrant may insert their own petitions.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Offertory

Thy Will Be Done

Craig Courtney

Doxology

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.

Prayers at Offertory

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven.

People ***Blessed be God forever.***

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the Cup of Salvation.

People ***Blessed be God forever.***

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your people for the work of your Church.

People ***Amen.***

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so 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.

Sanctus

Hymnal S130

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Celebrant As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.

For-give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king-dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,

now and for ev - er. A - men.

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Fraction Anthem

Hymn S169

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Communion Anthem *Christ Be All Around Me*

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Communion Hymns

And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

Hymnal 337

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymnal 474

To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord

Hymnal 170

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus

Hymnal 158

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

In recognition of the solemnity of this service, please leave the church in silence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONSTRUCTION ALERT

Please be advised that the entry walkway from the main parking lot to the Sanctuary, TEDS buildings, and Butler Hall will be under repair. The Youth Building will not be accessible at all. We are in the process of rebuilding the covered walkway that was damaged during Hurricane Beryl. During this construction, access to these buildings via main entry will be restricted. You will need to park your vehicle and follow the sidewalk to the right of the office building, which will lead you towards the courtyard and other buildings. Please plan accordingly and be mindful of the temporary change in access. We are excited to welcome back our covered walkway soon and appreciate your patience during this time!

PRIMETIME GUYS

PTG will not meet in April, as Holy Week falls the week prior to our usual meeting date.

FAITH EXPLORERS

Faith Explorers will begin reading and discussing *The Great Search* by John Philip Newell beginning 4/23 and ending 6/18. This book includes the teachings of 9 great figures of the past who nurture the seeds of hope and promise by turning to the Spirit within us and within the body of Earth for wisdom and guidance. We meet each Wednesday in the Youth Community Bldg. at 12:30 for community and discussion begins at 1:00. Contact Bev Redd at 610-304-6630 or bevredd@gmail.com for more information.

WALL OF COMPASSION

We are building our Wall of Compassion again! Please pick up an empty box from the Narthex or the stage in Butler Fellowship Hall, fill it with donated items from the list attached to the box, and return it to the stage in Butler Hall by April 20th.. If boxes are heavy for you, bring bags of groceries. Each Sunday, watch our Wall of Compassion grow on the stage in Butler Hall! Items will be distributed to Interfaith of the Woodlands.

EASTER LILIES

The Flower Guild will be decorating the church with lilies for Easter. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of or thanksgiving for a loved one, please fill out a donation form with \$15 for each lily in the offering plate by April 14.

FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

On Easter Sunday, we invite you to be part of the "Flowering of the Easter Cross," an ancient and meaningful tradition. As you prepare for Easter worship, pick fresh flowers from your garden or yard and bring them with you to the church. As you arrive, come to the main entrance in front of the church, stand before the large cross and place your flowers upon it. A symbol of death, darkness, pain and hopelessness is transformed into something beautiful, new and alive in celebration of the Resurrection of Christ.

EASTER EGG HUNT

An annual tradition! The children will hunt Easter eggs on the grounds of Trinity after the 10 a.m. service (approximately 11:15 a.m.) Easter morning. Bring your Easter baskets. . . Wrapped, candy or toy filled Easter eggs are needed. Please drop off your donation in the narthex of the church office by April 14.

ALLELUIA BELLS

Bells will be ringing soon! Grab a bell from the narthex and ring the bell every time we say Alleluia during the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Services. Rejoice together with us and ring in the resurrection of Jesus!

OUTREACH ENGAGEMENT EVENT

Attention Outreach/Community Engagement Volunteers! Save the date: May 2nd, 5:00 - 7:00 PM in Butler Hall. Please join us for a relaxing and enjoyable evening of socializing with other outreach volunteers, music, appetizers, and drinks, including wine. At the event, we'll make a collage of the variety of ways we serve our communities, so bring photos, a flyer or brochure, or anything else that represents your ministry. Please be on the lookout for an email from Evite and reply as soon as you can. If you serve as a volunteer in the community and you do not receive an Evite invitation, please contact Sandy Soghikian at Outreach@TrinityWoodlands.org

TRINITY SING

At the Movies...make plans to attend the 2025 premier of TrinitySing on Saturday, May 17 in Butler Hall! The red carpet will be rolled out for performances of your favorite songs from Hollywood. You will enjoy selections from Footloose, Mamma Mia!, The Barbie Movie, and Pirates of the Caribbean, as well as many others. The show will begin at 6:30pm, and small desserts will be served. VIP seating is available for \$200 for a table of 8. Free will offerings will go towards Trinity Audio/Visual Ministry. For more info and to reserve a VIP table, please contact mbalog@trinitywoodlands.org.

SHOES FOR ZAMBIA

It's a shoe drive! David and Alexis Stiles are collecting shoes to bring hope and support to the children of Zambia. The Stiles will be attending Camp Life hosted by Family Legacy, and the community children are in desperate need of shoes. We're asking for your help by donating new or gently used shoes to make a difference in their lives. Donation baskets will be available in Butler Hall for easy drop-off. Collection ends May 31st.

M.A.D.D CAMP 2025

Calling all budding thespians! MADD (Music, Art, Dance, Drama) will be June 16-20, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., with performance Fri, June 20 at 6:00 p.m. This year's musical is *Once Upon a Parable*. MADD Camp is open to students who have completed 1st-6th grades. Register online at the church's website or for more information, contact Micki Balog at mbalog@trinitywoodlands.org

YOUTH COMMUNITY

Calling all 7th-12th graders! Youth Community every Sunday from 6-8 p.m.! We will meet in Butler Hall for dinner and games, and then move to the Youth Community Building (YCB) for small group Bible study. Bring a friend! Follow us on Instagram @trinity.youth.community, and join our band on the Band App!

CHILDREN'S NURSERY & CHAPEL

During the 10AM service children ages 3-8 are invited to Children's Chapel for their own Liturgy of the Word. We sing songs, say kid versions of the prayers their adults are saying in Big Church, read the same scripture from Big Church from a children's Bible, have a mini children's sermon, and sing some more Bible songs. They return to their adults in the Big Church at the Peace. Mrs. Jen, Mrs. Holly, Mtr. Joanna, and Fr. Frank takes turns leading Children's Chapel and would love to see your kiddos! The Trinity Nursery is available for children ages 0-3 for the entire service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing: Violet, Virlen W., Lindsey S., Curt H., Sarah K., Matt H., Andy H., Anthony N., Bonnie, Amanda A., Curt G., Barry B., Nancy S., Samantha, Trudy, Emma, Nayeli, Chris and Scott

Thanksgiving: Melanie Sheffield

Guidance: Cortney, Theresa and Ryan

Military: Charlie

Death: Bob Berglund and Marta Abrams

Holy Week & Easter

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 13 | Start in Butler Hall

8AM - Procession of Palms / Holy Eucharist Rite I

10AM-Procession of Palms/ Holy Eucharist Rite II *

+Children's Liturgy of the Word

5PM - Procession of Palms/ Holy Eucharist Rite II

HOLY WEDNESDAY | APRIL 16

10AM - Holy Eucharist Rite II

7PM - Holy Eucharist Rite II

MAUNDY THURSDAY | APRIL 17

7PM - Foot Washing / Holy Eucharist Rite II

Stripping of the Altar

MAUNDY THURSDAY WATCH

9PM Thursday - 3PM Friday

GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 18

12PM - Youth Led Worship & Prayer Stations

7PM - Good Friday / Holy Eucharist Rite II

HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 19

10:30AM - Holy Saturday Liturgy

7PM - Easter Vigil / Holy Eucharist Rite II (Incense)



Easter Sunday



APRIL 20 | Flowering of the Cross

8AM - Holy Eucharist Rite I

10AM-Holy Eucharist Rite II *

+Children's Liturgy of the Word

5PM - Holy Eucharist Rite II



11:15AM
Easter Egg Hunt

* CHILDCARE AVAILABLE



Associate Rector - The Rev. Frank Samuelson

Associate Rector - The Rev. Joanna Unangst

Deacon - The Rev. Russ Oechsel

Director of Music - Micki Balog

Music Associate and Principal Organist - Jack Balog

Coordinating Verger - Martha Martz