

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY



"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II MARCH 25, 2018 AT 8:45 AND 11:00 A.M.

Thorns take the shape of a crown. Popular acclaim turns to public execution. Sorrow and love flow mingled down. All who are able gather first on the Columbarium for the great festivity of the procession of palms, signifying Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. This moment of triumph is short-lived, however. The mood shifts quickly with the dramatic reading of the Passion Gospel, which recounts Jesus' journey to the Cross on Calvary.

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Presider Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Presider 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 MARK 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

Presider Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; *

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Presider Let Israel now proclaim, *

People "God's mercy endures for ever."

Presider Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

People I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

Presider "This is the gate of the Lord; *

People they who are righteous may enter."

Presider I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *

People and have become my salvation.

Presider The same stone which the builders rejected *

People has become the chief cornerstone.

Presider This is the Lord's doing, *

People and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Presider On this day the Lord has acted; * People we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Presider Hosanna, Lord, hosanna! *
People Lord, send us now success.

Presider Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *

People we bless you from the house of the Lord.

Presider God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *

People form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

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

Presider Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *

People his mercy endures for ever.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The people now raise their palm branches

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our 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**.

Presider Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People Hosanna in the highest Presider Let us go forth in peace.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.

The people follow the procession, waving their palm branches, and gather again on the front steps of the cathedral.

The Presider says the following collect

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**.

The People enter the Cathedral and move into their pews. When all are inside, the service continues with the following hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN, H-1982 #154

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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 art 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; our 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 praisees; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, though good and gracious King. *Refrain*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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**.

All are now seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON ISAIAH 50:4-9

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.

PSALM 31:9-16



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

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All now stand and sing.

SEQUENCE HYMN, H-1982 #458

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

At the conclusion of the hymn, all are seated for the reading of the Passion Narrative. The Congregation should remain seated until indicated below. The traditional responses at the beginning and end of the Gospel are omitted. The parts to be spoken by the congregation are indicated in BOLD TYPE

THE PASSION NARRATIVE MARK 14:1-15:47

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? This ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For 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."

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written, `I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'

But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." But Peter said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. He said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." All of his disciples deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands." But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back,

Congregation: Crucify him!

Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more,

Congregation: Crucify him!

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

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

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

All stand, as able

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

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

Congregation: Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE BCP, 388

The prayers call to mind the needs, concerns, and hopes of the congregation and of the world. Throughout the season of Lent, our prayers are drawn from Form I, found in the Book of Common Prayer. The Deacon bids the prayers, which are then led by an Intercessor.

Intercessor Let us offer our prayers.
People Christ, have mercy.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

8:45 Ah, Holy Jesus Don Michael Dicie

The text for this anthem is found at Hymn 158.

11:00 O Vos Omnes Tomas Luis de Victoria

Translation of the sung Latin:

O all you who walk by on the road, pay attention and see: if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.

Pay attention, all people, and look at my sorrow: if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.

PRESENTATION HYMN, H-1982

Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

Jesus, Meine Zuversicht

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, 361

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you.../ /...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:

SANCTUS H-1982 #S-129 Robert Powell

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The People may stand or kneel. The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself.../ /...therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father.../ ...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 BCP, 364

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.

FRACTION, H-1982 #S-163

Robert Powell

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of god, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

The table of bread and wine is the table of company with Jesus, and all those who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this Sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus in the world, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

For Holy Communion, receive the bread in the open palms. The wine may be taken from the common cup by drinking, placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it, or by carefully dipping the bread in the chalice. If you'd prefer not to receive Holy Communion but would instead like a blessing, please come forward and indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

H-1982 #168

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded

HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN

DISMISSAL OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (8:45 ONLY)

In the Name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many share one bread, one cup, because we are one body in Christ Jesus. Amen.

PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Lent, in place of a final blessing, a solemn prayer is used.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Savior Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; and by your holy Eternal Majesty, your Holy Incarnate Word, and your Holy Abiding Spirit, bless us forever more. **Amen.**

As the procession passes down the aisle, the people turn and face the doors of the Cathedral.

H-1982 #171

Go to Dark Gethsemane

PETRA

DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Suite Gothique Léon Boëllmann

I. Chorale

MONDAY, MARCH 26

5:15P | STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOLLOWED BY HOLY EUCHARIST

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

5:15P | STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOLLOWED BY HOLY EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

NOON | JOIN US FOR NOON DAY PRAYERS PLUS CONTEMPLATIVE MUSIC BY MICHAEL BOYD.

Michael Boyd is a classical guitarist and Mississippi native. He received his Doctor of Musical Arts Degree in Performance and Pedagogy from the University of Southern Mississippi under the tutelage of Giovanni DeChiaro. During his studies at USM, Dr. Boyd garnered numerous top honors and awards at various festivals and competitions throughout the region.

7:30P | TENEBRAE

Tenebrae is Latin for 'darkness' or 'shadows.' This contemplative service features the chanting of Psalms and prayers, as candles are gradually extinguished in a darkened church.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 29

5:30P | AGAPÉ FEAST

Join us Maundy Thursday, March 29, in the Parish Hall at 5:30 pm for a family-friendly, celebratory, shared meal of breads, cheeses, fruits, and other simple Mediterranean-style foods and beverages (\$5 children, \$10 adults,

\$25 max family). Festive music and prayers will gladden the heart! A nursery will be provided.

6:30P | MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The word "maundy" comes from the Latin mandatum, which means "commandment". On this night, we are with Jesus and his friends in the Upper Room, remembering his demonstration of what it means to be a servant through the care of serving one another in the washing of feet (participation is optional). We celebrate the institution of the Lord's Supper in the sharing of Holy Eucharist. At the end of the service, the altar is stripped, the church is left bare and darkened, and the congregation leaves in silence as a holy vigil begins.

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30

10:30A | CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS: AT THE PAINTING TABLE

All children are invited to join in a guided art meditation on the stations of the cross, Friday, March 30, at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. They will gather around the painting table and reflect upon the stations through art and in sharing stories.

NOON AND 5:30P | GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

On this most solemn day of the Christian year, our prayers and observances call us to follow in the way of the Cross - a way of intense sorrow and fierce hope. We recall Christ's suffering and acknowledge our part in the brokenness of the world, and we cling to the gospel promise of grace and forgiveness.

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 31

9:00a | Holy Saturday Liturgy

Holy Saturday Liturgy is a threshold day, a day of waiting, a day to open ourselves to the One who goes into the places of deepest pain and darkest fear in order to bring us out. This is a brief service of scripture, prayer and meditation

10:00A | EASTER EGG HUNT AND BRUNCH

Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch Saturday, March 31, beginning 10:00 am at St. Andrew's Lower School, 4120 Old Canton Rd for loads of fun with our church family. Children bring your Easter baskets and get ready for the hunt which will begin promptly at 10:15! Plastic eggs will be filled with stickers, tattoos, and candy (no chocolate or peanut butter). Be sure to bring your friends.

7:30P | THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER FOLLOWED BY FESTIVE CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION HOSTED BY ULTREYA

This dramatic service at the center of our liturgical life consists of four parts: The Service of Light (the kindling of a new Pascal flame); the Service of Lessons (readings from Hebrew scripture that recall our story of salvation); Holy Baptism and the renewal of baptismal vows, in which we who have been raised with Christ embrace our resurrection life; and the first Eucharist of Easter, celebrated with bells and light and alleluias!

EASTER DAY, APRIL 1

7:30a Rite I Holy Eucharist 8:45 & 11:00a. Rite II Holy Eucharist Come celebrate the miracle of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ with us.



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