



ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026 - 10:30 A.M.

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The service will begin outside. The People face the Celebrant on the steps of the Church.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

MOTET

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

Pueri hebraeorum
vestimenta prosternebant in via,
et clamabant dicentes:
Hosanna filio David.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.

*The Hebrew children
spread out clothes on the road,
and they shouted out saying:
Hosanna to the son of David.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.*

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.

People **Amen.**

A deacon reads the following Gospel

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."

THE 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 God 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.**

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

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

Deacon Let us go forth in peace.

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

The People follow the Choir into the Church.

PSALM 118: 1-2,19-29

Ancient Gallican chant, adapt. Howard E. Galley

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.

*The Choir sings the verses of the psalm.
All sing "Hosanna in the highest" after each verse.*

The People remain standing.

HYMN 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 Blessèd One.

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

- 3 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present.
- 4 To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise.
- 5 Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King.

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

Words: *Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.*
Music: *Valet will ich dir geben, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.;
harm. J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE 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.**

The People sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

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?

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

- 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."**

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand and sing

HYMN 458: "My song is love unknown" (st. 1-3, 5, 7)

Love Unknown



1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a
7 Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di - vine: nev -



1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet
7 er was love, dear King, nev - er was grief like thine. This



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die.
2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
5 stead - fast he to suf - fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.
7 is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could glad - ly spend.

The People sit and remain seated for the first part of the Passion.

The Choir sings the Passion Gospel to a setting by Zachary Wadsworth (b. 1983).

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

(27:11-54)

And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest. And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ? For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and

they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews! And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him. And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

The People stand and remain standing for the remainder of the Passion.

And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched him there; And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said, He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

Silence is kept.

And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

The People sit. Silence is kept.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector Christ, being found in human form, humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. May every knee bend at the name of Jesus, in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. In this humility we now pray for the needs of the world, saying, “O God, have mercy on us; / In your loving-kindness, save us.”

The People kneel, as able.

We pray for the holy Church of God, remembering Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, Presiding Bishop; Deon, our Bishop; and the clergy and ministry leaders of St. Peter’s. Let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

In our diocesan cycle, we pray for the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Crestwood, and in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia. O God, have mercy on us;

People **In your loving-kindness, save us.**

Lector We pray for nations and their governments, remembering Donald, our President, and Mike, our Governor; may they be obedient to the one who emptied himself and took the form of a servant. We continue to pray for reconciliation in lands ravaged and consumed by war, oppression, and violence; let those who have been disgraced be vindicated by the Holy One who proclaims peace. O God, have mercy on us;

People **In your loving-kindness, save us.**

Lector We pray for those with any need in our parish and community, remembering Jerry Freeland, Carolyn Kolman, Randy Meyer, Kristi Peterson, Bill Peterson, [_____,] and Don Trainer. Our times are in God's hands; may the face of God shine upon his servants. O God, have mercy on us;

People **In your loving-kindness, save us.**

Lector We pray for the departed, remembering The Rev. Deacon Barbi Click, Georgey Herron, [_____,] and Kary Matthews. In peace, may we all be remembered in the kingdom of heaven with God's Son. O God, have mercy on us;

People **In your loving-kindness, save us.**

Lector Let us pray for our own needs, and for those of others.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant O Lord Jesus Christ, the great crowds waved palm branches and cried hosanna in the highest heaven, as you made your humble entry into Jerusalem as the blessed One, the King of Peace: Hear our prayers; save us now from our sins, and make us to rejoice in you, our only Redeemer; through the mercy of the same Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The People stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

After the Peace, the People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The sung setting of the Eucharist is the Missa Sancta Maria Magdalena by Healey Willan (1880-1968).

THE OFFERTORY

Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity. If you would like to make an offering, you may scan to code to the right and follow the prompts.



ANTHEM A Carol of the Passion

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

As we rode down the steep hillside
Twelve merchants with our fairing
A shout across the hollow land
Came loud upon our hearing
A shout, a song, a thousand strong
A thousand lusty voices
"Make haste," said I, "I knew not why
Jerusalem rejoices."

Beneath the olives fast we rode
And louder came the shouting
"So great a noise must mean," said we,
"A king beyond all doubting!"
Spurred on, did we, the king to see,
And left the mules to follow;
And nearer, clearer rang the noise
Along the Kidron hollow.

Behold, a many-colored crowd
About the gate we found there;
But one among them all, we marked,
One man who made no sound there;
Still louder ever rose the crowd's
"Hosanna in the highest!"
"O King," thought I, "I know not why
In all this joy thou sighest."

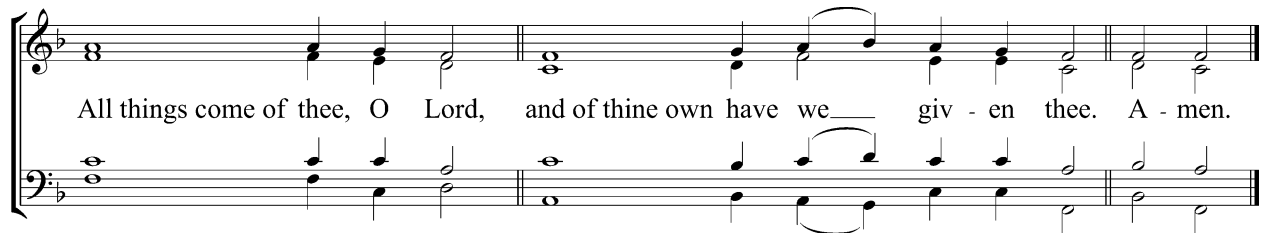
Then he looked up, he looked at me;
But whether he spoke I doubted:
How could I hear so calm a speech
While all the rabble shouted?
And yet these words, it seems, I heard:
"I shall be crowned tomorrow."
They struck my heart with sudden smart,
And filled my bones with sorrow.

We followed far, we traded not
But long we couldn't find him.
The very folk that called him king
Let robbers go and bind him.
We found him then, the sport of men,
Still calm among their crying:
And well we knew his words were true:
He was most kingly dying.

- "The Merchant's Carol," Frank Kendon

The People stand.

THE PRESENTATION



All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS (*Hymnal S 114*)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel, as able.

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.

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."

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:

All **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, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Silence is kept.

AGNUS DEI (*Hymnal S 158*)

- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
- Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

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.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Please tell the clergy if you require gluten-free Bread.

*Crossing your arms over your chest will let the clergy know
you would like to receive a blessing but not the Bread and/or Wine.*

COMMUNIO *Pater si non potest*

Plainsong, Mode 8

Father, if this cup may not pass from me unless I drink it, your will be done. O my God, I cry to you in the daytime, but you do not answer, by night as well, but I find no rest.

- Matthew 27, Psalm 22

MOTET

Antonio Lotti (1667-1740)

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis
sub Pontio Pilato.
Passus et sepultus est.

*He was indeed crucified for us
at the hands of Pontius Pilate.
He died and was buried.*

- from the Nicene Creed

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People kneel, as able.

All **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.**

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE IN LENT

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN 435: "At the Name of Jesus"

King's Weston

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SILENT PROCESSION

As we enter into Holy Week, please depart the Church in silence in observance of the solemnity of this time.

MUSIC NOTES The choral setting of the Passion is by American-Canadian composer Zachary Wadsworth (b. 1983) and was premiered on Palm Sunday 2008 at Christ Church, New Haven, Conn. Wadsworth adds to the traditional forces of soloists and choir by including an optional but highly evocative organ part.

Italian composer Antonio Lotti (1667-1740) wrote many settings of this "Crucifixus" text for different numbers of voices, but his setting for eight voices has become enduringly popular in modern times. The work unfolds organically from the lowest part. The regular entrances of each of the successive seven voices create a dissonance-resolution pattern in the opening section.

The *Carol of the Passion* by American composer Gerald Near (b. 1942) relays the events of the Triumphal Entry and Passion but from a perspective that is more removed from the biblical narrative. In a text written especially for *The Oxford Book of Carols (1928)*, Frank Kendon relays the drama of Jesus' final days from the perspective of a group of merchants who have just arrived in Jerusalem.

PRAYER LIST

For Family and Friends: Jerry Freeland, Carolyn Kolman, Randy Meyer, Kristi Peterson, Bill Peterson, Don Trainer

For the Faithful Departed: The Rev. Deacon Barbi Click, Georgey Herron, Kary Matthews

For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces: Alexandra Maranto

For Those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers: Lee Arten, Victor Belyan, Bev Bouchard, Desiree Brattin, Virginie Brightman, Craig Campbell, Elizabeth Cottle, Wendell Covington, Ralph Dacey, Joan Hager Davis, Bonnie Essick, Prissy Evans, Nolan Fagan, Bob Feldmann, Teenie Followell, Garth Fort, Don Franz, Jerry Freeland, Christy Garesche, Gay Goessling, Dick Gulick, John Hartman, Emily Hintz, Jeff Hirsch, Jack Howard, Russ Lake, Mike Kolman, John Marshall, Bob Messey, Cheryl Meyer, Liza Nash, Chris O'Connor, Maddie O'Keefe, David Orłowski, Holly Parks, Kimberly Penning, Steve Randall, Chi Chi Rassieur, Sara Rigel, Sally Russell, Jill Smock, Dewayne Stapes, Sarah Striler, Abbot Thomas, Mia Tiefenbrunn, Molly Webster, David Westfall, Anne Wetzels, Rolla Wetzels, and Goldie Wirth

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. David Hodges
<i>Assisting Clergy</i>	The Rev. Dr. Nathan Haydon, The Rev. Zack Rugenstone, The Rev. Valerie Patton
<i>Musicians</i>	The St. Peter's Choir David Sinden, Organist and Choirmaster
<i>Acolyte Masters</i>	Jim Gilbert, Allan Ivie
<i>Acolytes</i>	Emma Fouke, Boardie Fouke, Charlotte Craig, Alice Craig
<i>Lectors</i>	Jim Wilson, Bud Wilson
<i>Ushers</i>	Logan O'Connor, Connie Lohr, Matt Sokolich, William Schoenecker
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Nancy Grimes
<i>Monday Counter</i>	Kit and Kathy Baker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK

HOLY MONDAY

Monday, March 30, at 6:00 p.m. Poetry and Music: Meditations for Holy Week. "A Marian Passion Ballad." See "*Worship & Music*" below for details.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 2. Morning Prayer offered at 7:30 a.m. in Grace Chapel. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar offered at 6:00 p.m. An Altar of Repose will be available in Grace Chapel immediately after and until Good Friday.

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 3. Liturgy of the Day celebrated at 12:00 noon. Stations of the Cross: A Devotion to the Passion of Christ will be observed at 6:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY SERVICE AND EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 4 at 10:00 a.m. A short service for Holy Saturday is followed by an egg hunt on the lawn.

EASTER DAY

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Sunday, April 5. Holy Eucharist will be held in the Laird Garden at 6:00 a.m. and in the Church at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served in the Undercroft from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Nursery care will be available during the 9:00 service.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

POETRY AND MUSIC: MEDITATIONS FOR HOLY WEEK

A Marian Passion Ballad. Witness the joys and sorrows of the Marys of the Gospels in a darkened church tomorrow, March 30, at 6:00 p.m. This service alternates between poems selected and recited by Dr. Kathryn Haydon with improvised responses on the organ.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Choral Evensong, a traditional service of scripture, prayer, and music, will be sung Sunday, April 12, at 5:00 p.m. This service, sung by the St. Peter's Singers, includes music by music by G. F. Handel, Charles Villiers Stanford, and parishioner and former assistant organist Martha Shaffer. Evensong has been offered monthly at St. Peter's for the past 35 years. All are welcome, and a reception follows the service.

ORGAN RECITAL

Sunday, April 26 at 3:00 p.m. Bach and the Baroque Organ Masters. A collaborative recital presented by the Bach Society of St. Louis and the St. Louis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. This early music-focused program features the artistry of local organists Sarah Bereza, Matthew Gerhardt, and David Sinden, showcasing works by J. S. Bach and those who inspired him. Tickets are free, but advance registration at bachsociety.org/baroqueorgan is recommended.

STEWARDSHIP & PARISH LIFE

2026 Annual Giving Campaign

Have you pledged yet? Our hope is that all parish families will participate, and if possible, increase their giving this year. Your support is essential for us to meet our daily needs as well as support our local community. Every pledge counts! If you have not yet done so, please return your pledge card as soon as you are able - or give online at: www.specstl.org/give

Campaign Update:

Financial Goal	\$1,300,000
Number of Pledges	176 (37% of parish families)
Dollars	\$877,657 (68% of financial goal)
# New Pledges	7
# Increased Pledges	61
# Pledges Same or Decreased	108



For more information, please scan the QR code or contact Janet Rouse at janetr@specstl.org. Thank you!

DONATE TO EASTER FLOWERS BY TOMORROW

We are collecting flower thanksgivings and remembrances to beautify the church for Easter! You may complete the online form and follow prompts to donate, or complete a physical form located in the Narthex, Undercroft, or Church Office. Forms must be received by tomorrow, Monday, March 30, for your acknowledgment to appear in the Easter service booklets. Forms and donations received after that deadline will still be designated for flowers, but it may not meet printing deadlines. Thank you!



DELIVER EASTER JOY TO FELLOW PARISHIONERS

During the Advent and Easter seasons, St. Peter's delivers plants to mostly at-home parishioners and those who have recently lost a loved one. If you would like to help deliver Easter plants on Wednesday, April 8, or Thursday, April 9, please contact Jacquelyn at jacquelynv@specstl.org or call the Church Office at (314) 993-2306. Routes with directions are provided. Consider helping with this fulfilling project that brings joy to many!

SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS

We are in need of parishioners to sponsor the Sunday altar flowers in June and after. For more information, go to specstl.org/worship/Sunday-altar-flowers/ or call the Church Office at (314) 993-2306.

JOIN THE ST. PETER'S FLOWER TEAM

Beginning in April, Sunday altar flower will be repurposed into small bouquets after the Sunday services to bring joy and comfort to fellow parishioners at home! Arrangements will be made either on Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. service or the next morning (Monday). Join the team as an arranger and/or deliverer! Schedules will be made based on your availability. Questions? Please call Jacquelyn in the Church Office at (314) 993-2306 or Dudley Grove for more information and to sign up!

JOIN A BREAKFAST CREW!

We are in need of a few new members for the Breakfast Crew. It's a great way to serve your fellow parishioners and have fun while cooking! Contact Matt Bouchard at mattbouchard2@gmail.com for more information.

ST. PETER'S GUILD

The St. Peter's Guild invites you to join them on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Undercroft for engaging speakers and time for fellowship. After the presentation, the group then goes to lunch at a local restaurant. This Tuesday, Mr. Fix-It Billy Dawson will be here to answer all your home repair questions. All are welcome!

ST. PETER'S IS HERE FOR YOUR PASTORAL NEEDS

If you are hospitalized, homebound, or unable to come to church for any reason, the clergy of St. Peter's can bring church to you. Our clergy are always happy to visit with parishioners to offer pastoral care, bring Holy Communion, or to come by and say hello. If you would like a visit, please reach out to the office at office@specstl.org or by calling (314) 993-2306.

OUTREACH

LENTEN SHOE DRIVE - COLLECTION AND DELIVERY

Thank you to all that participated in this year's shoe drive! We collected around 70 pairs of shoes and many other footcare items that will go directly to people who need them. Drivers area also needed to help with delivery of items to Trinity CWE during Holy Week. Contact the Office at (314) 993-2306 to volunteer.

TRINITY FOOT CLINIC (APRIL FOOTS DAY!)

Volunteers are needed to help with the Trinity Foot Clinic on April 1. We need 7-8 volunteers to help at Trinity Episcopal from 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. to assist with handing out supplies, help in shoe selection, and other footcare needs. Contact Jim Gilbert at hockeygolf@live.com to volunteer or with questions.

FOOD DRIVE SUNDAY: APRIL 5

Be sure to grab a grocery bag as you leave worship today! As you shop for groceries this week, please take the food list with you for our April 5 food collection for Trinity (CWE) food pantry. The groceries and toiletries most needed are chili w/ beans, peanut butter, 1 qt. packs powdered milk, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and toilet tissue. Thank you!

FORMATION

RECTOR'S FORUM AND BREAKFAST

Join us for Rector's Forum as we welcome guest speakers from across our parish and the wider St. Louis community. Come enjoy a hearty breakfast (beginning at 8:45 a.m.) and conversation/speakers (beginning at 9:15 a.m.). The cost of breakfast is \$9. Kids under 5 eat free!

- March 29** The Rev. Zack Rugenstone will take us on a walk-through Holy week! We will take some time discussing the significance of each day and how the Biblical authors present each moment leading us to the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday.
- April 5** Easter Day - No Forum
- April 12** Join us for a reflection on the Resurrection of Jesus, exploring its meaning and significance for our faith today.

HOLY WEEK WITH JESUS TEXT EXPERIENCE

Holy week arrives the same way it always has; all at once, in the middle of everything. And somewhere in the rush, the very story of the week can slip past you. Holy Week with Jesus changes that. Beginning Palm Sunday, you'll receive brief, powerful messages that follow Jesus through his final days—in real time as the hours unfold. Free, no app required. Sign up today at HolyWeekWithJesus.com

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please save the week of June 8-12, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, for your children to attend or take on a leadership role at St. Peter's Vacation Bible School (VBS). VBS is designed for children ages 4-10. The cost is \$50 per child with a maximum of \$90 for families. The deadline to register is May 1. For more information and to register, scan the QR code.



ST. PETER'S YOUTH (SPY)

Youth gather weekly at 5:00 p.m. under the direction of the Rev. Zack Rugenstone for formation and fellowship. This Sunday, Zack will lead the youth in a group discussion as well as a few games.

NURSERY, CHILDREN'S CHAPEL AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Nursery is offered in the lower level of the Little Building from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
- Children's Chapel is offered in Grace Chapel from 10:15 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.
- Sunday School classes begin at 10:30 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Sunday	Mar. 29	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:45 a.m. Parish Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Nursery Care Opens 9:15 a.m. Rector's Forum 10:15 a.m. Children's Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday School 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 5:00 p.m. St. Peter's Youth Group	Undercroft Little Building Undercroft Grace Chapel Classrooms SPY HQ
Monday	Mar. 30	6:00 p.m.	Poetry and Music	
Tuesday	Mar. 31	7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer Zoom Bible Study St. Peter's Guild	Grace Chapel Online Undercroft
Wednesday	Apr. 1	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Rector's Bible Study Holy Eucharist Choir Rehearsal	Elliot Room Grace Chapel Choir Room
Thursday	Apr. 2	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Yoga Centering Prayer Holy Eucharist Altar of Repose	Grace Chapel Undercroft Grace Chapel Grace Chapel
Friday	Apr. 3	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	A.A. Prayer Group Liturgy of the Day Stations of the Cross	Classroom Elliot Room
Saturday	Apr. 4	10:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Day and Egg Hunt	
Sunday	Apr. 5	Easter Day	6:00 a.m. Sunrise Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:30 a.m. Parish Breakfast until 10:30 a.m. Nursery Care Opens 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	Laird Garden Undercroft Little Building
Monday	Apr. 6	Office and Buildings Closed		

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S

If you are visiting St. Peter's, we would love to share more information with you about our shared life and ministry! Please take a red welcome bag on your way out the door. In it you'll find information about our worship, formation, and fellowship opportunities as well as information for families. You can also scan the QR codes below to get connected with us and learn more.



New Visitor Form



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