

The Sunday of the Passion
Palm Sunday



Sunday, March 24, 2024
10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

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.**

A Reading from the Gospel of 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.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

Hosanna in the highest.

THE PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

BEFORE ENTERING THE CHURCH

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together.

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 WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL SONG - We Cry Hosanna Lord

**1. Behold our Savior comes
Behold the Son of our God
He offers Himself
And He comes among us
A lowly servant to all**

Chorus:

**We cry hosanna Lord
Yes hosanna Lord
Yes hosanna Lord to You
We cry hosanna Lord
Yes hosanna Lord
Yes hosanna Lord to You**

**2. Children wave their palms
As the King of all kings rides by
Should we forget to praise our God
The very stones would sing**

**3. He comes to set us free
He gives us liberty
His vict'ry over death
Is the eternal sign of God's love for us**

**4. Hail to the Chosen One
Honor and praises we bring
The prophets of old have foretold
His coming as our Messiah and King**

**5. Jesus Emmanuel
Savior and Ruler of men
We lay down our palms and our hearts
Before Him and lift our voices again**

**6. He comes in majesty
Power and glory and grace
Now unto the King of this holy nation
Our adoration we raise**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 LESSONS

A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

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.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalms 31:9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.

For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

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

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS

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.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN - *It is Well with My Soul*

1. *When peace like a river
Attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well It is well with my soul*

2. *My sin O the bliss
Of this glorious tho't
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul*

*Chorus:
It is well with my soul
It is well
It is well with my soul*

3. *And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well
With my soul*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark

SEE INSERT

SERMON - The Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon

SERMON RESPONSE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form I, BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishops: Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Héctor, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city and county, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially _____, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

Lord, have mercy.

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

(Silence)

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 359

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SONG

THE 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. Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;

HYMN # S-125

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

Our Father in heaven	Lead us not into temptation
Holy is Your name	But deliver us from the evil one
Forgive us our sins Lord	Your kingdom come
As we forgive	Your will be done
Your kingdom come	Your kingdom come
Your will be done	Your will be done
Your kingdom come	On the earth as it is in heaven
Your will be done	Let it be done on the earth
Our Father in heaven	Amen amen
Give us our bread	

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

These are 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.



Gluten Free hosts are available for communion.
Please make yourself known to the priest at the altar rail.

COMMUNION SONG 1 - The Crucifixion

1. *I saw something I don't quite understand
On the hill was a man
Same cross, same blood of any man who dies
But there was something in his eyes*
2. *There was something I just can't explain
The look of love behind his pain
And his disciples turned away and ran
Why deny such a man?*
3. *When he forgave those who mocked him,
And gave his soul up to die,
I saw a light upon his forehead
And I couldn't help but cry.*

Chorus:

*There was something more than pain
When the skies turned to fire and rain
And I still don't understand
Why crucify such a man?*

*When I realized his spirit could not die,
I couldn't help but cry.*

COMMUNION SONG 2 - Jesus, I Come to You

1. *Jesus, Jesus
I come to you; I come to you; I come to you
With a humble and contrite heart,
Broken and bleeding, needing your healing.
Stretch out your hand; at your command,
I will be healed and made whole.
will be healed and made whole.*
2. *Jesus, Jesus
I come to you; I come to you; I come to you
I lay down all of my pride.
I confess to you all of my sin.
Stretch our your hand, at your command
I will be cleaned and made as white as snow.
I will be cleaned and made as white as snow.*

3. *Jesus, Jesus
I come to you. I come to you. I come to you.
To pick up my own cross,
To weep for and mourn for my old life lost.
Stretch out your hand, at your command,
I shall rise from the dead.
I shall rise from the dead.*

Jesus, Jesus

COMMUNION SONG 3 - Revelation Song

1. *Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy holy is He - sing a new song
To Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat*

Chorus:
*Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is And is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything
And I will adore You*

2. *Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lightning Rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor
Strength and glory and power
be to You The only wise King*
3. *Filled with wonder Awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power
Breath and living water
Such a marv'lous mystery*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** (these words may differ from time to time)

CLOSING HYMN 473 - Lift High the Cross

Refrain:

***Lift High the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world
adore his sacred Name.***

**1. *Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.
(Refrain)***

**2. *Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
(Refrain)***

**3. *O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to
thee. (Refrain)***

**4. *So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory. (Refrain)***

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Calvary Worship Service Times

8:00 AM Sunday – Traditional Service

10:30 AM Sunday – Contemporary Service

5:00 PM Sunday – Sunday Night Alive Informal Service

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The notebook to sign up for altar flower offerings is on the stage at the back of the Parish Hall.

Please stop by and sign up or contact the church office. The cost is \$50, to be paid in advance.

IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY AND NEED TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE, PLEASE CONTACT:

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