

PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY 24 MARCH 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:15 A.M.

All are invited to gather on the church lawn.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 270

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**.

Mark 11:1–11 The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 924

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

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

People
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Hosanna in the highest.
Let us go forth in peace.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

sung by all in procession

Confitemini Domino



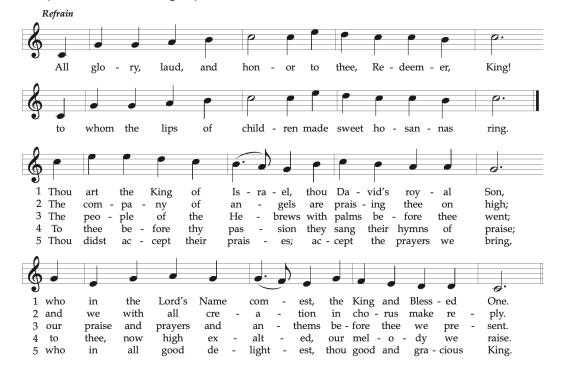
- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for / he is good; * his mercy en-/dures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel / now proclaim, *
 "His mercy en-/dures for ever"
- 19 Open for me the / gates of righteousness; * I will enter them; I will offer / thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the / gate of the LORD; * he who is /righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, / **for you answered me** * and have become / **my salvation.**
- 22 The same stone which the / builders rejected * has become the chief / cornerstone.
- 23 This is the / LORD's doing,* and it is marvel-/ous in our eyes.

- 24 On this day the / LORD has acted; * we will rejoice and be / glad in it.
- 25 Hosannah, LORD, / hosannah! * Lord, send / us now success.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the / name of the LORD; * we bless you from the / house of the LORD.
- 27 God is the LORD; he has / shined upon us; * form a procession with branches up to the / horns of the altar.
- 28 "You are my God, and / I will thank you; * you are my God, and / I will exalt you."
- 29 Give thanks to the LORD, / for he is good; * his mercy en-/dures for ever.

Processional Hymn 154

"All glory, laud, and honor to thee"

Valet will ich dir geben



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect of the Day

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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.

Children's Anthem

"Blessed is the King!"

John Sullivan

Blessed is the King! Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord.

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We will wave our palms. We will wave our palms as he comes riding by.

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We will sing hosanna. We will sing hosanna, to welcome our King!

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The children leave for the Children's Chapel

The Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

NRSV, p. 1071

Commentary: Paul presented Jesus as the perfect example of attitude and action. Jesus left the heights of heaven for the lowliness of earth; the Sovereign became a humble servant. Jesus was willing to alter His status and behavior for the benefit of others and in this He is a model of submission. Not only did Jesus come to serve, He came to die, He was obedient to the point of a shameful death on the cross. Jesus was submissive to the depths of humiliation then God the Father raised Him to the height of exaltation. We follow Jesus' example when we submit to God and to one another not for personal gain, but for the honor and glory of God.

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.

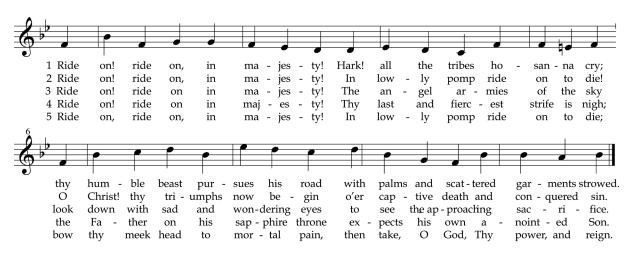
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

"Ride on! ride on in majesty!"

Winchester New



The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Mark 14:1-15:47

The congregation is seated; the Passion Gospel is read in parts, led by a narrator.

The Sermon

The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

Prayers of the People

The response to each petition:

...Crucified King,

Have mercy on us.

The Peace p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

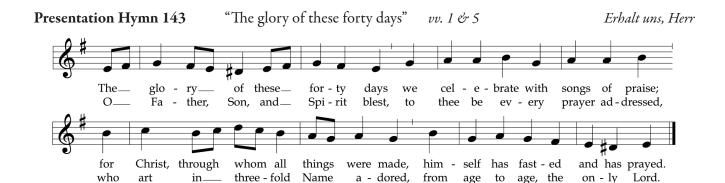
Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Déodat de Sévérac Offertory Anthem

Tantum ergo sacramentum veneremur cernui, et antiquum documentum novo cedat ritui. Præstet fides supplementum sensuum defectui Tantum ergo sacramentum Veneremur cernui, et antiquum documentum novo cedat ritui. Præstet fides supplementum sensuum defectui Genitori genitoque laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque sit et benedictio! Procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio! Amen.

Therefore, so great a Sacrament let us venerate with heads bowed, and let the old practice give way to the new rite; Let faith provide a supplement for the failure of the senses. To the begetter and the begotten be praise and jubilation, hail, honor, virtue also, and blessing too: to the One proceeding from both Let there be equal praise! Amen.



The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer B

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

We lift them to the Lord.

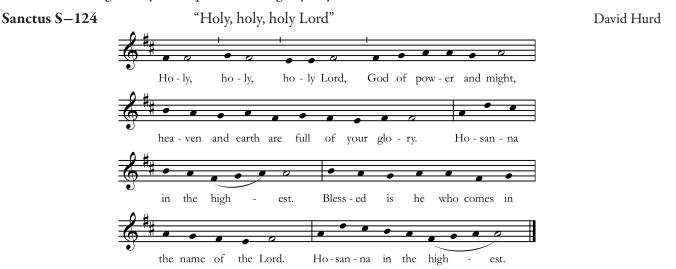
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...

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:



The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

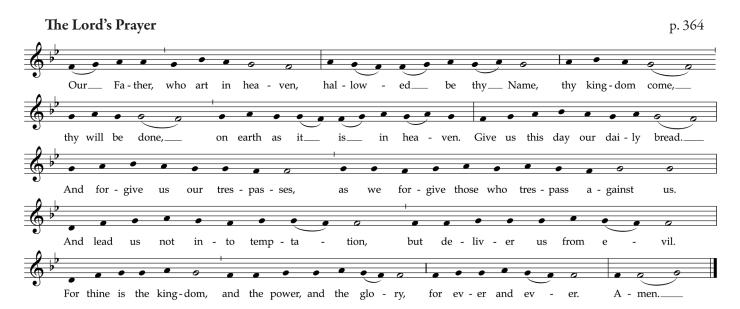
We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

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 sing,



The Breaking of the Bread

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Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People Therefore let us keep the feast.





The Communion of the People

Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.

Music at Communion

"God So Loved the World" Motet

John Goss

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

~Iohn 3:16-17

"Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended" Herzliebster Jesu Hymn 158 **Hymn 458** "My song is love unknown" Love Unknown

The Postcommunion Prayer

p. 366

Celebrant 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.

The Blessing

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel

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.

Closing Hymn 164

"Alone thou goest forth, O Lord"

Bangor

The Dismissal p. 366

Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Jesu, meine Freude" Johann Sebastian Bach

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Celebrant: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard
Assisting Priest: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.
Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan

HOLY WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., MARCH 25-29

• MORNING PRAYER 8:00-8:30 AM| Zoom

MONDAY, MARCH 25

• NO EVENTS PLANNED

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

• CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 - 8:30 PM | Choir Room

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY 7:00 AM | 16th St. Starbucks
- HOLY EUCHARIST 12:10 PM | St. James Parish

THURSDAY, MARCH 28 MAUNDY THURSDAY

- MEN ON A MISSION SERVE AT SGT. ASHLEY VETERANS CENTER 5:00 -7:00 PM | Sgt. Ashley Center
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 6:15 - 7:00 PM | Choir Room
- MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
 7:00 PM | St. James Parish & Livestream

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 GOOD FRIDAY

- ST. JAMES DAY SCHOOL CLOSED March 29 - April 8
- STATIONS OF THE CROSS 11:00 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 12:00 PM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 HOLY SATURDAY

- CHOIR & BRASS REHEARSAL
 11:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:15 - 8:00 PM | St. James Parish
- THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER 8:00 PM | St. James Parish & Livestream

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 EASTER SUNDAY

- MEALS ON WHEELS All Morning
- TOWER SERVICE
 6:30 AM | St. James Parish Tower permitting)
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 8:15 - 9:00 AM| Choir Room
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 9:00 AM | St. James Parish & Livestream
- PARISH CELEBRATION & EGG HUNT
 ~10:30 AM | Parish Lawn
 - 2 and under Egg Hunt Children's Chapel
 - 3 yrs 5th Grade Egg Hunt Lee Parish Hall
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 10:30 - 11:05 AM| Choir Room
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 11:15 AM | St. James Parish & Livestream

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the April 1st Weekly Digital Grapevine is Thursday, March 28th. The deadline for the March Grapevine Magazine is March 25th. Email communications@stjamesp.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEALS ON WHEELS: EASTER EDITION

Sunday, March 31

Our next Meals on Wheels delivery date falls on Easter Sunday. Anyone willing to drive, cook, and/or bring packaged applesauce cups is greatly appreciated. We are responsible for preparing, packaging, and delivering meals to approximately 180 grateful Meals on Wheels recipients, who are elderly or disabled shut-ins, many of whom have little to no social interaction or hot meals other than Meals on Wheels. These clients would often go hungry without this ministry. Your active participation in this vital program is greatly appreciated.

Molly Roush will be making special arrangements to be in Perry Hall Kitchen during Holy Week to accept donations of food items. If you are interested in cooking or providing supplies, please reach out so we can send the recipe for the meal. We need cooks to prepare Individual Sausage Casseroles. Please remember to mark your donations "Meals on Wheels, your name" We are particularly in need of 10 more folks to bring packaged applesauce cups and 20 more drivers!

Potential Drivers- here's some logistical information to help you plan! The meals need to be delivered by noon, which means if you leave by 11:00 a.m. it's very doable with the planned routes. Drivers can participate in the 9:00 a.m. service and still leave after the Parish Celebration and Egg Hunt! Then you can help distribute meals on a very special day.

Special shout out to Nancy B. for making over 200 scones for us to include in our meal containers.

If you are willing and able to participate, especially drivers, please contact mollyrousb@botmail.com.

FLOWERING THE CROSS

An Easter Sunday Tradition

All are invited to bring a blossom or two to place on the cross. This year, the cross will be placed on the parish lawn so that it may be shared with our neighbors and be a part of our parish celebration.

MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE

April 25 - 28, 2024 | Departure: Thursday, 10:00 AM | Return: Sunday, 4:00 PM This April, the St. James Men on a Mission will travel to Marshall, NC to get Glory Ridge ready for summer 2024. They will also as make some light construction improvements on behalf of the folks in the very impoverished surrounding area. They plan to send a team of 20 MoM members and male adult guests who are ready to serve in this way. No construction skills are needed, but you will need to be able to navigate the uneven paths and terrain of the camp. A \$100 per registrant fee will help cover the costs of food, lodging in the cabins, and transportation. Visit the MoM Page on the St. James website to learn more, donate, or register! stjamesp.org/mom-gr24

EASTER LILIES & MUSIC

Last Call! Deadline to submit 3.24

Honor someone special with Easter Lilies or Music this spring. Remember someone special this Easter by donating \$25 for Easter Lilies or music! Please complete the online form or call the church office to submit your names. It is one dedication per \$25 Donation, this form will need to be completed for each separate donation to help ensure we honor your requested person(s) correctly in the bulletin. Bulletin printing deadline is Sunday, March 24th. We'll continue to accept donations after

that time however, the names may not appear in the bulletin. If you have any questions about the submission process or would like a physical name submission form, please reach out





to communications@stjamesp.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, March 31 | Following the 9:00 service
We need your help preparing for the Easter
Egg Hunt! All are invited (especially families
planning to participate in the hunt) to donate
12 stuffed eggs for the hunt. The box will
be in the Day School Lobby. Eggs are due
by March 24th, but please contact Ansley if
you'd like to donate after the date has passed.
Volunteers are also needed to help stuff extra
eggs and set up the hunting grounds.

On Easter Day, we will celebrate with a special family activity! St. James Children's Ministry is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt following the 9:00 a.m. service on Easter Day at around 10:15 a.m.

- Children 2 and under will meet for their Egg Hunt in the Children's Chapel
- Children aged 3 though 5th Grade will meet for their Egg Hunt in the Lee Parish Hall

Please plan to bring your own basket.

St. James Parish

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