

# THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY



HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
MARCH 24, 2024  
10:30 A.M.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
NEWNAN, GEORGIA

## The Liturgy of the Palms

*The service begins outside. The liturgy begins with the sounding of the Shofar (ram's horn). The congregation processes into the church following the Liturgy of the Palms, all singing the hymn. The hymns for the service are printed at the back of the bulletin.*

*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.*

*Celebrant* A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

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 Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The Celebrant then says the following blessing*

*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* Hosanna in the highest.

### The Procession

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in peace.  
*People* In the name of Christ. *Amen.*

### The Hymn in Procession

*All glory, laud and honor*

Hymnal 154

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;  
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Repeat Refrain*

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

*At a suitable place, the procession may halt while the following Collect is said.*

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 procession continues singing the hymn.*

### **The Collect of the Day**

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 Children's Anthem      Filled with Excitement      Sung by St. Cecilia Choir**

Filled with excitement, all the happy throng spread cloaks and branches on the city streets. There in the distance they begin to see, there on a donkey comes the Son of God.

*Refrain:*

From every corner a thousand voices sing praise to the one who comes in the name of God. With one great shout of acclamation loud, triumphant song breaks forth: Hosanna!

Hosanna to the king! Hosanna! Hosanna to the King!

As in the entrance to Jerusalem; hosannas we will sing to Jesus Christ, to our redeemer who still calls today, asks us to follow with our love and faith.

*Refrain:*

*Children going to children's chapel may follow the cross.*

### **The First Reading ~ Isaiah 50:4 - 9a**

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

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.*

## **The Psalm ~ 31:9 - 16**

*The choir sings the psalm.*

- 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 Sequence Hymn**

Ride on! Ride on in majesty {Page 21}

## **The Passion Gospel According to Mark**

*Narrator*, Dean Eelman

*Jesus*, Tony King

*Thank you to those who read the other characters in Jesus' Passion.*

*The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha (Mark 15:22) all stand.*

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

Narrator: 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,

Chief Priests: Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.

Narrator: 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,

Crowd: Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.

Narrator: And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: 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.

*Pause*

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, the disciples said to Jesus,

Disciples: Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

Narrator: So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

*Pause*

When it was evening, Jesus came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

Jesus: Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.

Narrator: They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

Disciples: Surely, not I?

Narrator: Jesus said to them,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

Jesus: Take; this is my body.

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: Peter said to him,

Peter: Even though all become deserters, I will not.

Narrator: Jesus said to him,

Jesus: Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Narrator: But Peter said vehemently,

Peter: Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Narrator: And all of them said the same.

*Pause*

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

Jesus: Sit here while I pray.

Narrator: He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

Jesus: I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.

Narrator: Jesus came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: 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,

Judas: The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.

Narrator: So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

Judas: Rabbi!

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: 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.

Narrator: All of them 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.

*Pause*

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,

Crowd: 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.'

Narrator: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

High Priest: Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Narrator: But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,



High Priest: Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?  
Narrator: Jesus said,  
Jesus: 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.'  
Narrator: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,  
High Priest: Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?  
Narrator: All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,  
Chief Priest: Prophecy!  
Narrator: The guards also took him over and beat him.

*Pause*

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,

Servant Girl: You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.  
Narrator: But he denied it, saying,  
Peter: I do not know or understand what you are talking about.  
Narrator: 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,  
Servant Girl: This man is one of them.  
Narrator: But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,  
Crowd: Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.  
Narrator: But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,  
Peter: I do not know this man you are talking about.  
Narrator: 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.

*Pause*

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,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?  
Narrator: Jesus answered him,

Jesus: You say so.  
Narrator: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,  
Pilate: Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.  
Narrator: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

*Pause*

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,

Pilate: Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?  
Narrator: 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,  
Pilate: Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?  
Narrator: They shouted back,  
Crowd: Crucify him!  
Narrator: Pilate asked them,  
Pilate: Why, what evil has he done?  
Narrator: But they shouted all the more  
Crowd: Crucify him!  
Narrator: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

*Pause*

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,

Soldiers: Hail, King of the Jews!  
Narrator: 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).

*The congregation stands (if 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,

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

Narrator: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

Chief Priests: 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.

Narrator: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

*Pause*

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,

Jesus: Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

Narrator: which means,

Jesus: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Narrator: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

Crowd: Listen, he is calling for Elijah.

Narrator: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

Bystander: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

Narrator: 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,

Centurion: Truly this man was God's Son!

Narrator: 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.

*Pause*

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 Joseph saw where the body was laid.

*A period of silent prayer*

**The Musical Reflection**

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

Arr. Brook Boddie

### **The Prayers of the People — Form IV**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lector Lord, in your mercy

*People Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lector Lord, in your mercy

*People Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lector Lord, in your mercy

*People Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Bless those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Jim, Linda, Harrison, Samantha, Sam, Sarah, Matthew, Amanda, Flora Jane, Liam, and Susan.

Lector Lord, in your mercy  
People *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lector Lord, in your mercy  
People *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lector Lord, in your mercy  
People *Hear our prayer.*

### **The Prayer In Times of Conflict** [*prayed by all*]

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Celebrant continues with concluding collect*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People And also with you.

### **The Announcements**

### **The Blessings and Thanksgivings**

### **The Offertory Sentence**

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory Anthem

*Christus Factus Est*

Anton Bruckner

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens  
usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.  
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum  
et dedit illi nomen,  
quod est super omne nomen.

Christ became obedient for us unto death,  
even to the death, death on the cross.  
Therefore God exalted him  
and gave him a name  
which is above all names.

### The Presentation Hymn

*To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord {Page 22}*

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

*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.

*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. 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:

### The Sanctus

Hymnal S 124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 Celebrant continues.*

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,

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues.*

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.

## The Great Amen

Hymnal S143



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

*People and Celebrant*

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 Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**The Fraction**

Hymnal S 161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*Holy Communion is offered via the common cup for sipping or intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine).  
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. A mobility impaired individual can receive communion at  
your seat by raising your hand.*

**The Communion Anthem**

*Ave Verum Corpus*

William Byrd

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for humankind, whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final examining.

**The Communion Hymn**

*O sacred head, sore wounded*

Hymnal 168 vs.1-3  
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*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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.

## **The Closing Hymn**

*At the name of Jesus*

Hymnal 435

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## **The Solemn Prayer over the People**

*Celebrant* Let us bow our heads.

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.*

*The people leave in silence.*

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### ***Remember in your prayers:***

A Prayer to Start My Day (From The Daughters of the King): Lord, You have given me another day of life; let me celebrate this day, and let me use it according to Your plan. I praise You, Father, for my life and for the friends and family members who make it rich. Enable me to live each moment to the fullest as I give thanks for Your creation, for Your love, and for Your Son. Amen.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Roger Hines, Bo Warren, Gloria Crook, Ernie Williams, Andrew Davis, Saralyn Singletary, Bella Pacini, Connie Edge, Sue Woodward, Kathryn Martin, Ron Wilson, Bill Garrett, Madelyn Barrow, Karen Mosley, Barbara Marshall, Mark LeVan, Seth Hart, George Abbott-Maze, Holly DeSimone.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Greg Parsons, Annie Bulford, Kelsey Crow, Anne Murphy, Jim Myrick, Ashton Hughes, Lanie Mae Henderson, Lamar Toole, Elizabeth Briscoe, William 'Parker' Johnson, Al Williams, Paul Sherman, Robert Hicks, Buddy Sullivan, Larry Maze.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Marianne, Tony, Marge, Anne, Mary Frances, Polly, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Roy and for the Staff: Canon John, Nicole, Rhett, Dawn, Geoff, Cole, Nicole, Kimberly.

We pray for members of the Rector Nominating Committee: Philip Hand, Kasey Bulford, Brother Massenburg, Katie McBride-Newman, J.J. Thomasson, Bill Tudor, and Fred Wagner.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Phil Kearney, Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., Scott Woodward, Luke White, Tommy White, Zach Simkins, Jacob Britt, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Michael Rafferty, David Norwood, Arron Essex, Adam Harrison, Sam Vermilyea, Charles Mathews, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg, Ryan Whitfield, Stephen Malcom, Victoria Eversoll, Trey Bland.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Jim Thomasson, Linda Jones, Harrison Brown, Samantha Scott, Sam Lewis, Sarah Payne, Matthew Hand, Amanda Hand, Flora Jane Marchman, Liam Bulford, and Susan Payne.

We pray for those who have died. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.

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### *Service Participants*

**Vestry Person of the Week**

**Vergers**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Acolytes**

**Reader (s)**

**Prayer Intercessors**

**Ushers**

**Altar Guild**

Marianne Lawhead  
Tony King & Jennifer Thomasson  
Frankey Henderson & Wendy Llosa  
Caroline Hawes (1st); Liam Bulford  
(2nd); Sydney Pape & Jaden Reynolds  
(Banner); Pearl Borders, David Pape,  
Wade & Matthew Hand (Torchbearers);  
Adele Bulford (Thurifer)  
Dean Eelman  
Lou Graner & Mary Frances Honea  
Bob Heaberlin, Stephen Camp, David  
Carver, Heather Heaberlin, Sarah  
Huxford, Scott Seiler, & JJ Thomasson  
  
Kathy Ellison & Juliane Reynolds



Palm Sunday – Maundy Thursday – Good Friday – Easter Sunday

## **Holy Week & Easter 2024**

### **EYC Spring Celebration**

With Easter Egg Hunt, 11:45 am

### **Tuesday in Holy Week: March 26**

Healing Service with  
Holy Eucharist at 11 am

### **Maundy Thursday: March 28**

Maundy Thursday Service with  
Holy Eucharist and Foot washing at 7 pm

### **Good Friday: March 29**

Stations of the Cross at 12 pm  
Good Friday Liturgy with Holy Eucharist at 7 pm

### **Saturday in Holy Week: March 30**

Easter Vigil at 8:30 pm

### **Easter Day: March 31**

Holy Eucharist Rite I at 8:30 am  
Easter Morning Brunch at 9:30 am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:30 am

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**EYC Spring Celebration and Easter Egg Hunt:** The annual EYC Spring Celebration will be on Sunday, March 24th after the 10:30 am service. We will have food, games, and an Easter Egg Hunt!

**Easter Sunday Brunch:** Join us for fellowship and food in the Parish Hall for Easter Day Brunch. Brunch is on **March 31st at 9:30 am**. If you would like to volunteer to bring a dish, please sign up in advance. You can access the signup sheet by scanning the QR code or you can use the signup sheet on the bulletin board just outside the Parish Hall. Questions should be directed to Cathy Sandlin via phone at (770) 328-7988 or via [email](mailto:csandlin@stpaulsnewnan.org). Signup choices are due no later than the end of the day on **Sunday, March 24th**.



**Easter Day Flowering of the Cross:** All children, toddlers to teenagers, are invited to meet in the Hospitality Room at 10:20 am to participate in the Flowering of the Sanctuary Cross. The children will follow the processional into the Nave and place a flower on the cross. Flowers will be provided. Parents can take their seats in the pews and their children will join them after the flowering. A Flower Guild member will escort the children.

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### *Parish Notices*

**Lay Pastoral Care Training:** We will be beginning training for pastoral care providers using the Community of Hope International (COHI) curriculum. If you are interested in becoming part of our pastoral care team, please speak with Canon John or email him at [canonjohn@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:canonjohn@stpaulsnewnan.org).

**Confirmation:** Canon John will begin a six-week confirmation class using the book "I Will with God's Help." Parents who would like to have their children confirmed should speak with Canon John or email him at [canonjohn@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:canonjohn@stpaulsnewnan.org) as soon as possible. A date for the beginning of the classes will be shared later.

**Save the Date:** St. Paul's will host its quarterly American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. You can scan the QR code to schedule an appointment.



**The Daughters of the King:** Information pamphlets are available on the bulletin board outside of the parish hall for anyone interested in learning more about The Daughters of the King. We welcome any prospective members!

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#### **CLERGY AND Staff**

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#### **VESTRY**

**Marianne Lawhead**, Senior Warden; **Tony King**, Junior Warden; **Marge Bass**, Health & Healing; **Anne Graner**, Outreach; **Mary Frances Honea**, Strategic Visioning; **Polly Hopkins**, Formation; **Sarah Huxford**, Stewardship; **Elizabeth Pape**, Parish Life; **Roy Reynolds**, Communications.

# Today's Hymns

## The Sequence Hymn

### AMNS 61 Ride on, ride on in majesty!

Melody: Winchester New

H. H. Milman  
(1791-1868)

Adapted from  
Musicalisches Hand-Buch, 1690

1. Ride on, ride on in maj - e - sty! Hark,  
2. In  
3. The  
4. The  
5. In

all the tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sa - viour meek, pur -  
low - ly pomp ride on to die: O Christ, thy tri - umphs  
wing - ed squad - rons of the sky look down with sad and  
last and fier - cest strife is nigh: the Fa - ther on his  
low - ly pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to

sue thy road with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
won - d'ring eyes to see the'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
sap - phire throne a - waits his own a - noin - ted Son.  
mor - tal pain, then take, O God, thy pow'r, and reign.

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HOLY WEEK

# To Mock Your Reign

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1 To mock your reign, O dear-est Lord, they made a crown of thorns;  
 2 In mock ac - claim, O gra-cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak;  
 3 A scep-tered reed, O pa-tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

set you with taunts a - long that road from which no one re - turns.  
 your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, in - to a sol - dier's joke.  
 and act - ed out their grim cha - rade to its ap - point-ed end.

They could not know, as we do now, how glo - rious is that crown;  
 They could not know, as we do now, that though we mer - it blame,  
 They could not know, as we do now, though em - pires rise and fall,

that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor-rows heal our own.  
 you will your robe of mer - cy throw a - round our na - ked shame.  
 your king - dom shall not cease to grow till love em - brac - es all.

WORDS: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000); para. Matthew 27:27-31, Mark 15:16-20, John 19:1-5  
 MUSIC: English melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)  
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The Communion Hymn

O sacred head, sore wounded

Hymnal 168 vs 1-3

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;  
 2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;  
 3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,  
 \*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
 \*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:  
 2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.  
 3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.  
 4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?  
 5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?  
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:  
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,  
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,  
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!  
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.  
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.  
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.  
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676); sts. 1-3, 5, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); st. 4, tr. James Waddell Alexander (1804-1859), alt. Music: *Herzlich tut mich verlangen* [Passion Chorale], Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612); adapt. And harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

The Closing Hymn

At the name of Jesus

Hymnal 435



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,  
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name  
 3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,  
 4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,  
 \*5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
 \*6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;  
 2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
 3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,  
 4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;  
 5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;  
 6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord  
 2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
 3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;  
 4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,  
 5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;  
 6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
 2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;  
 3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.  
 4 ev - er to be wor - shiped, trust - ed, and a - dored.  
 5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.  
 6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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