



# The Liturgy of the Palms + Passion Narrative

Palm Sunday, March 25, 2018, 9 & 11 AM

*Blessed is the one who comes in  
the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

An inclusive fellowship called by God,  
through Christ, to love and serve the world.

*This leaflet is provided to assist you in the liturgy. Numbers refer to musical selections found in the blue hymnals. Service music (denoted with S) is in the front of the blue hymnals. Hymns with W before the numbers refer to the green hymnal.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*Weather permitting, the congregation gathers outside the worship area so that all may go into the church in procession.  
The branches of palm trees to be carried in the procession are distributed to the people before the service.*

*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

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.

*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.

### The Procession

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in peace.

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

*Please process into Union Church while singing Hymn 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.

## 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 First Lesson *(please be seated)*

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?

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### The Response

Psalm 31:9-16

*In te, Domine, speravi*

- 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.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *(please stand)*

Hymn 495 (vs 1-2)

### The Passion Gospel

*(The congregation will speak the part of the Crowd in unison.)*

Mark 14:1-15

- Mark:** Hear the passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark. It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,
- Chief Priests:** Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.
- Mark:** 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.
- Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, the disciples said to Jesus,

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

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, 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.

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

**Disciples:** Surely, not I?

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** Peter said to him,

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

**Mark:** Jesus said to him,

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

**Mark:** But Peter said vehemently,

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

**Mark:** And all of them said the same.

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

**Jesus:** Sit here while I pray.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

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

**Judas:** Rabbi!

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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. 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.'

**Mark:** 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?

**Mark:** 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?

**Mark:** 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.'

**Mark:** 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?

**Mark:** 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 Priests:** Prophesy!

**Mark:** The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

**Servant Girl:** You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.

**Mark:** But he denied it, saying,

**Peter:** I do not know or understand what you are talking about.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

**Peter:** I do not know this man you are talking about.

**Mark:** 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.

### Mark 15.1

**Mark:** 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?

**Mark:** Jesus answered him,

**Jesus:** You say so.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

**Pilate:** Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

**Mark:** 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?

**Mark:** They shouted back,

**Crowd:** Crucify him!

**Mark:** Pilate asked them,

**Pilate:** Why, what evil has he done?

**Mark:** But they shouted all the more,

**Crowd:** Crucify him!

**Mark:** So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

**Soldiers:** Hail, King of the Jews!

**Mark:** 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). 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!

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

**Jesus:** *Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?*

**Mark:** which means,

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

**Mark:** When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

**Crowd:** Listen, he is calling for Elijah.

**Mark:** 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.

**Mark:** 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!

**Mark 15.1-39**

**Mark:** There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

**The Nicene Creed** (*all stand*)

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

We pray for the church.

May she drink deeply from living springs, and travel the deserts in trust and hope. We continue to pray also for reconciliation among the churches in eastern South Carolina.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We pray for the world.

May we come to live as one family, and grow beyond the violence of war.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We pray for the nation.

For Donald, our President; Henry, our Governor; and for our nationally-elected officials. May we be healed of racism, and shine again like a lamp on a hill.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We pray for our community.

May our children be safe, our leaders be wise, and our lives be peaceful and just.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We pray for the afflicted.

May every sadness find you at its heart, and may there be grace when we suffer.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We pray for the departed.

May they grow in faith and love, and may we always remember them by name.

**God of mercy, make us new.**

We remember this week St. Phillip's Chapel at Voorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina, and the Diocese of Jerusalem. We invite your own thanksgivings and intercessions, silently or aloud, especially for Judy, Sandy, Katherine, Christen, Joyce, Shirley, Lea Anne, Bobby, Nancy, Melissa Lee, Virginia, Keary, Anne, Susan, Jane, Martha, Sarah, John, Bonnie, Bill, Ross, Dale, Wayne, Deon, Mary, Lydia, Dan, Ben and Paula.

*The Celebrant concludes*

God of mercy, make us new. Change our hearts, mend our lives, and lead us to any who need us, for the sake of Jesus who came that all might have life, and have it abundantly. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

**People** And also with you.

*All greet one another in the Peace of Christ, after which they take their seats.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

9:00 *Instrumental*  
11:00 *St. Mark's Ensemble*

*Please stand as the offering is taken to the altar.*

### Presentation Hymn

Hymn 380 (vs 3)

**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

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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:

### Sanctus *(all sing)*

Hymnal S130

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, 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.**

*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."

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, 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 for ever. **Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*all sing*)

**Hymnal S149**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei:** (*all sing*)

**Hymnal S158**

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

**Communion**

*All who seek a deeper relationship with God are invited and welcome. To receive the Bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the Wine, guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the Bread in the Wine and place it in your mouth. For those who wish only to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to a priest when you come forward for Holy Communion.*

**Communion Hymns**

*And now, O Father, mindful of the love*

**Hymn 337**

**Stay with me, remain here with me,  
watch and pray, watch and pray.**

**Taizé**

**Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. (*please stand*)

**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.

**The congregation departs.**

**Serving Today**

**Music Director:** Diane Mullis-Waddell

**9:00 Acolyte:** Sally Mayse; **Gospel Bearer:** Carter Hoyt; **Lay Readers:** Nicole Passeggio & Susie Kearney; **Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** Nicole Passeggio & Susie Kearney; **Ushers:** Westley Byrne & Liz Devoir; **Vestry Person on Duty:** Westley Byrne; **Sacristan:** Carter Hoyt; **Refreshments:** Nicole Passeggio

**11:00 Acolyte:** Helene Marshall; **Gospel Bearer:** George Utter; **Lay Readers:** George Jones & Louise Moses; **Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** John Moses & Charlie Keith; **Ushers:** Jerry Sonnabend & Quitman Marshall; **Vestry Person on Duty:** John Moses; **Sacristan:** Linda Landsberg

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME VISITORS.** We're glad you could join us this morning! Please make yourselves known to the greeters so they can give you a visitor's name tag. If you wish to be placed on our mailing list or be contacted, fill out the visitor's card and drop it in the offering plate. To receive our e-newsletters, contact the office at 843-379-1020 or [stmarksc@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksc@gmail.com), or sign up on our website. Please join us for coffee in the Center after the 9:00 service.

### ATTENTION CHILDREN AND PARENTS:

- A nursery for infants and small children is available across the street in the Center during the service.
- Activity packs for children to use during services are under the card table in the back. A greeter can direct you.
- On the 1st and 3rd Sundays, a "family-friendly service takes place at 11 AM in Union Church. On other Sundays, Sunday School with lessons based on the lectionary is held for children K-3rd grade in the Center.

**UNLESS YOU WANT TO SAVE YOUR PALM CROSSES** and fronds, please drop them in the box on the church steps as you leave. They'll be burned to make the ashes for next Ash Wednesday.

### SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

**Maundy Thursday, March 29**—Foot washing, Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar at 7 PM

**Good Friday, March 30**—The Liturgy for Good Friday at noon and 5:30 PM

**Easter, April 1**—Holy Eucharist at 9 & 11 AM

**OUR GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING** will go to support St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. St. George's supports ministries throughout the Middle East helping people of all religious backgrounds. Please consider giving generously to this important presence in the region.

**OUR RECTOR WILL BE THE GUEST OFFICIANT** at the Holy Week Morning Service at Port Royal United Methodist Church tomorrow, March 26, at 7 AM. A light breakfast follows. The church is on the corner of 16th St. and Columbia Ave. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**BISHOP ADAMS WILL MAKE HIS ANNUAL VISITATION** to St. Marks' at the 11 am service on April 15. If you're willing to organize the food for the reception following the service, please contact Beth Campbell at [flbeth1@gmail.com](mailto:flbeth1@gmail.com) or 843 846-2019. Volunteers will also be needed to contribute food items.

**THE OUTREACH AND MISSION COMMITTEE DONATED \$1,000 EACH** to the ABLE Foundation and St. Francis Center at its meeting Tuesday. ABLE assists disabled children and adults, and St. Francis Center provides food and necessities for migrants working on local farms. Request forms for donations to other charities are available online and at the Center and must be filled out and returned by Apr. 10.

**A LOUD SHOUT-OUT OF THANK YOU** to the St. Mark's volunteers who signed up for Family Promise on Apr. 15-22. For those who missed the sign-up, July 30-Aug. 5 will be here soon. —*George Utter*

**TODAY DURING THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** we ask your prayers for Judy Parichy, Sandy Johnson, Katherine Sjoblom, Christen Miller, Joyce Gray, Shirley Paulk, Lea Anne Crago, Bobby Sellers, Nancy Knisley, Melissa Lee Sickell, Virginia Whitaker, Keary Mull, Anne Errington, Susan Stoffel, Jane Twenge, Martha Hatfield, Sarah and John Balfour, Bonnie Connolly, Bill Kissiah, Ross Branning, Dale and Wayne Earhardt, Deon Frederick, Mary Bryan, Lydia Minich, Dan Twenge, Ben Diaz, Conor James Nuelle, and Paula Pinkerton. To have members of St. Mark's Prayer Ministry pray for you or a loved one, contact Debbie Dawsey-Davis at 843-812-8255 or [deb-dd3@gmail.com](mailto:deb-dd3@gmail.com).

**NEED A NAMETAG?** Contact the office.

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