

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Holy Eucharist Rite II, Year A, Revised Common Lectionary
Sunday, March 29, 2026, 10:30 AM

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

The service begins outside.

OPENING ANTHEM

Celebrant Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the lord.

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW 21:1-11

Gospel When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

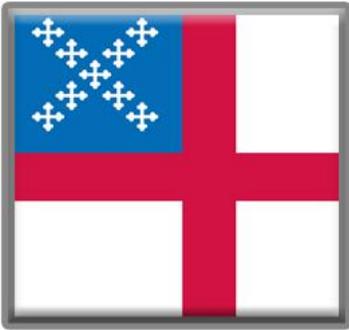
"Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."



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The Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott

Celebrant:

The Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott

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Organist: Dr. Carl Maulsby

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BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give 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.

All **Amen.**

The congregation moves into the Sanctuary.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna!" CARL MAULTSBY *All sing.*



Musical notation for the first line of the hymn. The melody is written on a single staff in 3/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na!_____



Musical notation for the second line of the hymn. The melody is written on a single staff in 3/4 time. The lyrics are: Bless - ed, bless-ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.____

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When the congregation is in place, please stand as you are able.

INTROIT "All glory, laud, and honor" (*Valet will ich dir geben*) All sing.

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.

SALUTATION

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

The People sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

Reader A reading from 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?

(Silence)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:9-16 *In te, Domine, speravi*

First, the cantor sings the Refrain. The congregation repeats the Refrain. The cantor sings the Psalm verses. The congregation sings the Refrain where indicated.

Stephen O'Connell, cantor

Mode 2

Refrain

Have mer - cy on me, O God.

from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

- 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. **(Refrain)**
- 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. **(Refrain)**
- 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. **(Refrain)**
- 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." **(Refrain)**

THE EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:5-11

Reader A reading from Philippians.

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.

(Silence)

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN "Ride on, ride on in majesty" (Winchester New) All sing.

1 Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark! all the tribes ho -
2 Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride
3 Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! The an - gel ar - mies

san - na cry; Thy hum - ble beast pur - sues his road
on to die: O Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin
of the sky Look down with sad and won - d'ring eyes

With palms and scat - ter'd gar - ments strowed.
O'er cap - tive death and con - quer'd sin.
To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.

4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed Son.

5 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign. Amen.

HENRY HART MILMAN, 1827, *alt.*

The congregation sits.

THE PASSION GOSPEL Matthew 27:11-54

Gospeller The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.
*The congregation says the lines in **bold print**.*

MATTHEW: One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,
JUDAS: What will you give me if I betray him to you?
MATTHEW: They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,
DISCIPLES: Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?
MATTHEW: Jesus said,
JESUS: Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'

MATTHEW: So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,
JESUS: Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.
MATTHEW: And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,
DISCIPLES: Surely not I, Lord?
(SEVERALLY)
MATTHEW: Jesus answered,
JESUS: The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. 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.

MATTHEW: Judas, who betrayed him, said,
JUDAS: Surely not I, Rabbi?
MATTHEW: Jesus replied,
JESUS: You have said so.
MATTHEW: While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,
JESUS: Take, eat; this is my body.
MATTHEW: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,
JESUS: Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.
MATTHEW: When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,
JESUS: You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.
MATTHEW: Peter said to him,
PETER: Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.
MATTHEW: Jesus said to him,

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

MATTHEW: Peter said to him,

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

MATTHEW: And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

JESUS: Sit here while I go over there and pray.

MATTHEW: He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

JESUS: I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.

MATTHEW: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

JESUS: My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.

MATTHEW: Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

JESUS: So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

MATTHEW: Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

JESUS: My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.

MATTHEW: Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

JESUS: Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

MATTHEW: While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

JUDAS: The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

MATTHEW: At once he came up to Jesus and said,

JUDAS: Greetings, Rabbi!

MATTHEW: and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

JESUS: Friend, do what you are here to do.

MATTHEW: Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,

JESUS: Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?

MATTHEW: At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

JESUS: Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.

MATTHEW: Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a

distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said,

WITNESSES: This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'

MATTHEW: The high priest stood up and said,

HIGH PRIEST: Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

MATTHEW: But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,

HIGH PRIEST: I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.

MATTHEW: Jesus said to him,

JESUS: You have said so. But I tell you, From now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.

MATTHEW: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

HIGH PRIEST: He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?

MATTHEW: They answered,

PRIESTS: He deserves death.

MATTHEW: Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

PRIESTS: Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?

MATTHEW: Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,

SERVANT GIRL You also were with Jesus the Galilean.

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MATTHEW: But he denied it before all of them, saying,

PETER: I do not know what you are talking about.

MATTHEW: When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,

SERVANT GIRL This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.

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MATTHEW: Again he denied it with an oath,

PETER: I do not know the man.

MATTHEW: After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

CROWD: Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.

MATTHEW: Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

PETER: I do not know the man!

MATTHEW: At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: 'Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said,

JUDAS: I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.

MATTHEW: But they said,
PRIESTS: What is that to us? See to it yourself.
MATTHEW: Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,
PRIESTS: It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.
MATTHEW: After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, 'And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me.'

Matthew 27.11

MATTHEW: Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,
PILATE: Are you the King of the Jews?
MATTHEW: Jesus said,
JESUS: You say so.
MATTHEW: But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,
PILATE: Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?
MATTHEW: But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,
PILATE: Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?
MATTHEW: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him,
PILATE'S WIFE: Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.
MATTHEW: Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,
PILATE: Which of the two do you want me to release for you?
MATTHEW: And they said,
CROWD: Barabbas.
MATTHEW: Pilate said to them,
PILATE: Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?
MATTHEW: All of them said,
CROWD: Let him be crucified!
MATTHEW: Then he asked,
PILATE: Why, what evil has he done?
MATTHEW: But they shouted all the more,
CROWD: Let him be crucified!
MATTHEW: So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,

PILATE: I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

MATTHEW: Then the people as a whole answered,

CROWD: His blood be on us and on our children!

MATTHEW: So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying,

SOLDIERS: Hail, King of the Jews!

MATTHEW: They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),

(The congregation stands.)

they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.' Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

CROWD: You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.

MATTHEW: In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

CROWD: He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'

MATTHEW: The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,

JESUS: Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?

MATTHEW: that is,

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

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

CROWD: This man is calling for Elijah.

MATTHEW: At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,

CROWD: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

MATTHEW: Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with

him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,

CENTURION: Truly this man was God's Son!

MATTHEW: Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,

PRIESTS: Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first.

MATTHEW: Pilate said to them,

PILATE: You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.

MATTHEW: So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

SERMON *The People sit.*

The People stand or kneel.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader God of love: hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes neglected, unwanted, alone. God of love,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of justice: hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken. God of justice,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of peace: hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious. God of peace,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of healing: hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual hurting, weakened, depressed. God of healing,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of mercy: hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy; convicted, in need of your Grace, contrite, humbled, bowed down, God of mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God who hears: we pray for our own needs and the needs of others.
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: We pray for Michelle, Karen, Carol, Emma, Savanna, Linda, Stuart, Kathy, Seamone, and Priscilla.

For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Molly, Faith, Hazel, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth.
And for those whom we name before you now either aloud or in silence.

For the whole St. Richard's Community, the clergy, the vestry, the staff and volunteers.

People **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant May you know the peace of God, the love of God, the justice of God, the healing and mercy of God this day and all day.

All **Amen.**

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *The People sit.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "The Feast of Palms" ALAN BULLARD

Come, faithful people, come away Your homage to your Monarch pay; It is the feast of palms today: *Hosannah, in the highest!* When Christ, the Lord of all drew nigh On Sunday morn in Bethany, He called unto his loved ones standing by. To yonder village go', said he, 'An ass and foal you there shall see, Untie them and bring them unto me'. The two upon their errand sped, And found the ass as he had said, And on the colt their clothes they spread. They set him on his throne so rude; Before him went the multitude, And in their way their garments strewed. They thronged before, behind, around, They threw palm-branches on the ground, And louder still rose up the joyful sound!

Please stand as you are able. All sing.

PRESENTATION HYMN "All things come of Thee" LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we_ giv - en Thee.

Please stand as you are able.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

SURSUM CORDA

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.**

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

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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 remain standing.

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS "Holy, holy, holy Lord" (*Eucharist of the Soul*) LENA MCLIN *All sing.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of power 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.

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Celebrant 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,

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

Celebrant 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 St. Richard and 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.

All **Amen.**

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

AGNUS DEI S161 "Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God" (*Eucharist of the Soul*) LENA MCLIN *All sing.*

Cue: Organ

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.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION HYMN158 "Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended" (*Herzliebster Jesu*) *All sing.*

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Words: Johann Heermann (1585-1647); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930) Music: *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johann Crüger (1598-1662), alt.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

BLESSING

Celebrant The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

CLOSING HYMN & PROCESSION "O sacred head, sore wounded" DAVID HURD

Stanza 1-All; stanza 2-high treble voices/(women); stanza 3-low bass voices/(men); stanza 4-cantor; stanza 5-All



1. O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed,
2. Thy beau - ty, long de - sir - ed,
3. In thy most bit - ter pas - sion
4. What lan - guage shall I bor - row
5. My days are few, O fail not,



de - filed and put to scorn;
hath van - ished from our sight;
my heart to share doth cry,
to thank thee, dear - est friend,
with thine im - mor - tal pow'r,



O king - ly head, sur - round - ed
thy pow'r is all ex - pir - ed,
with thee for my sal - va - tion
for this thy dy - ing sor - row,
to hold me that I quail not



with mock - ing crown of thorn.
and quenched the Light of Light.
up - on the cross to die.
thy pit - y with - out end?
in death's most fear - ful hour;



What sor - row mars thy gran - deur?
Ah me! for whom thou di - est,
Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er!
that I may fight be - friend - ed,



Can death thy bloom de - flow'r?
hide not so far thy grace:
to stand thy cross be - neath,
and should I faint - ing be,
and see in my last strife



O coun - te - nance, whose splen - dor
show me, O Love most high - est,
to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed,
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er
to me thine arms ex - tend - ed



the hosts of heav'n a - dore!
the bright - ness of thy face.
yet thank thee for thy death.
out - live my love for thee.
up - on the cross of life.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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“All glory, laud and honor” (*Valet will ich dir geben*)

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended” (*Herzliebster Jesu*)

“Ride on, ride on in majesty” (*Winchester New*)

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Divine Dinners

Rocks & Brews
7131 Red Bug Lake Rd.
Oviedo, FL 32765

Sunday, | 6 o'clock RSVP call or Text
March 29, 2026 | Tim Maurer 321-297-1847

Easter Flowers

Donations will be collected for the Easter flowers. The names of those who donate and their dedications will appear in the Easter Church Bulletin. Deadline 4/1/26



Your Name: _____
Phone: _____
Amount of Donation: _____
Dedication: (Please circle one)
(In honor of) (In memory of) (In thanksgiving for)
Name for Dedication: _____

EGG HUNT

Join Us for a Fun-Filled Celebration!

Sunday, April 5

Immediately after the 10:30 AM Service

St. Richard's Episcopal Church

Bring your family and friends for a joyful Easter celebration!

Kids of all ages are invited to hunt for colorful eggs!

Fun, fellowship, and springtime cheer for everyone!

Don't forget your baskets!

We can't wait to celebrate Easter with you!

Delight yourself
in the Lord,
and he will give
you the desires
of your heart.

- PSALM 37:4 -



Christian Education

Sunday Adult Education

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.

Children's Education

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Conference Room.

Tuesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 pm

"The Little Letters." We will cover Galatians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, 1, 2, 3 John, and Jude. We meet online via Zoom. Meeting ID 987 9473 5512
Passcode: 031992

Wednesday Morning Bible Classes

Wednesday Morning Bible Class!

10 AM in the Conference Room

Taught by Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott, Adjunct Professor of World Religion, Philosophy and Ethics, Valencia College and assisting clergy at St. Richard's since 2011.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Leaders Needed

We are seeking volunteers to lead Wednesday Morning Prayer on Facebook Live. This ministry reaches people within and beyond St. Richard's, especially those who are unable to attend in person. No experience is necessary—training is provided! If you are interested, please contact Harry or Dale.

Sacred Time, Contemplative Prayer

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel at St. Richard's. Join us for an hour of contemplative prayer, silence, and gentle guidance in a peaceful setting. All are welcome; no prior experience is needed.

Pasta donations & empty egg cartons needed!

Please help support the food pantry at For Seasons Ministries by donating pasta for families in need.

Donations will help provide meals for local families in our community. Donations may be dropped off at the office.



SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)
9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)
5:00 PM *Evening Prayer*

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2026

9:00 AM Morning Prayer Facebook Live
9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Office)

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026

9:00 AM Morning Prayer Facebook Live
9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)
10:30 AM Sacred Time (Lady Chapel)
6:30 PM Tuesday Night Bible Study on ZOOM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026

9:00 - 11:00 AM Food Pantry
9:00 AM Morning Prayer Facebook Live
10:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (Conf. Rm.)
11:00 AM Pastoral Counseling By Appointment
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)
11:30 AM ACA (St. Richard's Rm)
12:00 PM Healing Service (Lady Chapel)
3:00 PM Violin Lessons (Conf. Rm.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026 MAUNDY THURSDAY

9:00 AM Morning Prayer Facebook Live
10:00 AM Tai-Chi (Parish Hall)
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)
11:00 AM Dream Group
12:00 PM AA (St. Richard's Rm)
2:00 PM Organist in the Church
6:00 PM Scouts (Conf. Rm.)
7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026 GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 AM Home of Bright Choices (Conf. Rm.)
9:00 AM Morning Prayer Facebook Live
10:30 AM Home of Bright Choices (Kitchen)
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)
12:00 PM Good Friday Service
6:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**
(Memorial Garden)

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026 EASTER VIGIL

9:00 AM Altar Guild (Church)
9:00 AM OA (St. Richard's Rm)
10:00 AM The Awakening Walkers Group
10:00 AM Eating Disorder Anonymous (St. Richard's Rm)
11:00 AM ACA (Men Group) (St. Richard's Rm)
11:00 AM Home of Bright Choices (Conf. Rm.)
12:00 PM ACoA (St. Richard's Rm)
2:00 PM Organist in the Church
7:00 PM The Great Vigil of Easter Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)
9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)
5:00 PM *Evening Prayer*

Group Experience to Process Recent Distress

Next Session: Saturday, April 4, 2026, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Location: Conference Room
Register: Text 407-443-3497 or email mjmchaneylmft@gmail.com



The Awakening Walkers Group

Join us Saturdays at 10:00 AM, meeting in the breezeway for a gentle walk focused on healing and support.

For information, call the church office at 407-671-4211 and leave your contact details.

MEMBER MINISTRIES STRICHARDS.ORG

For Seasons Ministries

"Our mission is to serve the community in Jesus' name through a community food pantry and other community outreach efforts." Open Wednesdays, 9 AM – 11 AM www.forseasonsministries.org

Music Lessons with Willie Rast

For information on percussion lessons at St. Richard's, contact J. Willis Music, Willie Rast, Owner, willie.rast@gmail.com, or call 407-928-1270.

Children's Violin Studio with Andrea Williams

407-670-4557

The Orlando Bridge Club

offers ACBL Sanctioned games everyday, Monday through Friday at 12:00 noon. Please come and learn or play this fun and mentally stimulating game and bring a friend. We also offer beginner bridge lessons. 321-246-2715

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9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday 5:00 p.m.
Worship *Schedule*

First Sunday of the Month:
Evening Prayer

Second Sunday of the Month:
Contemplative Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition, the Rev. Dale Truscott.

Third Sunday of the Month:
Evening Prayer

Fourth Sunday of the Month:
Taizé, the Rev. Dr. Harry Coverston.
Taize is a contemplative service with prayers & chanting.

Sunday Evening Worship

It is the practice of St. Richard's parish to offer three services every Sunday, an 8 AM Rite I Eucharist, a 10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist with music, and a 5 PM evening worship service.

On the second Sunday of each month, a Celtic Eucharist is held in the Lady Chapel. On the fourth Sunday of each month, a contemplative Taizé service is held with chants and prayers around the cross. On the first, third and occasional fifth Sunday of each month, our parishioners gather for Evening Prayer and Compline. This is a lay-led service of readings and prayers.

These services are intimate, quiet, offering peaceful worship at the end of long weeks and the beginning of the next. Everyone is invited to attend.

Pastoral Care Counseling Office
Gail Hencken, RN, LMHC, will be in the Pastoral Care Counseling Office from 11:00 am- 3:00 pm on Wednesdays to provide consultation for individuals, couples, families or groups of any age/stage of life, by appointment only. For further information please contact Gail directly.
phone/text 407-718-9128
email wehgh44@yahoo.com

 TAI CHI, COMMUNITY, WELLNESS, AND GENTLE MOVEMENTS 

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.
St. Richard's Parish Hall
Join instructor Carol Alves for a gentle Tai Chi class designed for all ages and fitness levels. *Discover peace, balance, and strength through mindful movement and community connection.*

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays: Reese Coppolella 4/5, Pam Eastburn 4/6, Tom Downs 4/7, Mazrine Duncan 4/11, Joey Elliott 4/10, Bobby McCulley 4/20, Linda Sierra 4/23, Spencer Harrity 4/27, Augie Lisa 4/28

Anniversaries: Zemp and Anna Pepper 4/3

Prayer REQUEST
— we want to stand with you —

We pray for Michelle Christoph, Karen Nelson, Carol Alves, Emma Haw, Savanna, Linda K., Stuart, Kathy S., Seamone, and Priscilla. For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Molly, Faith, Hazel, Ruth, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth.

And family, friends, for the whole St. Richard's Community, the clergy, the vestry, the staff and volunteers.

FEBRUARY REPORT
Plate and Pledge: \$10,906.75
Special Gifts: \$2,291.67
Total Revenues: \$54,906.50*
Total Expenses: \$49,837.17
Ending February Cash Flow: \$5,069.78
Year-to-date Cash Flow: \$ 11,947.38
*The total revenue amount listed above includes annual pre-paid pledges in the amount of \$31,675.00, which we used to cover operating expenses.
We encourage all members of the congregation to complete their 2026 pledge cards online if they have not already done so.

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We are a church on a mission to discover God's grace, change our lives and change the world. Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on the journey of the Spirit, St. Richard's Episcopal Church welcomes you.