

ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2300 CATHEDRAL AVE—WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY



MARCH 29, 2026



HOLY EUCHARIST AT 11:00 AM

*The mission of All Souls Church is to be a Christ-centered sanctuary
where a diverse and inclusive community worships and serves.*

*We live this mission through faithful celebration of the Eucharist,
Christian education, and loving nurture of both members and neighbors.*

Welcome to our Visitors! We are thankful for your presence with us today and we invite you to join us as we worship God. The liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the music from the blue Hymnal 1982 and the beige African American Heritage Hymnal (AAHH). The "S" music is found in the service section in the front of the Blue Hymnal. All books are found in the pew racks. Where the rubrics invite the people to stand or kneel, an individual may remain seated.

If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card and give to an usher or Mother Sara.

THE BLESSING OF PALMS & PROCESSION

Where the rubrics invite the people to stand or kneel, an individual may remain seated.

All gather in the Sterrett Garden (or back of church in case of rain)

Please stand.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant Blessed is the King who cometh in the name of the Lord:

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

Choir Sing Hosanna, sing we now to the Son of David.

Now praise we him, who is come, the Savior of all men.

Sing Hosanna, sing Hosanna in the highest!

Celebrant Let us pray.

ASSIST US MERCIFULLY with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Celebrant When Jesus and his disciples 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

THE BLESSING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

People *It is meet and right so to do.*

Celebrant Let us pray,

It is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou hast redeemed us through thy 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. Bless, O Lord, these branches. Let them 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 leadeth to eternal life; who liveth and reigneth in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

People *Hosanna in the highest.*

The people raise the blessed palms.

THE PROCESSION

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

People *In the name of Christ. Amen.*

The procession departs the Sterrett Garden behind the cross (weather permitting) and proceeds right on Cathedral Avenue to Woodley Place then right down Woodley Place one block then back up the other side returning.

Processional Hymn 154

All glory laud and honor

First station, vs. 1; second station, vs. 2; third station, vs. 3;
& when the priest enters the red church doors, vs. 4 & vs. 5.

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.



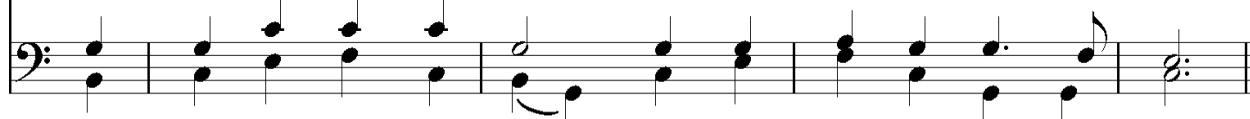
1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es;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



Kyrie eleison,
Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison
Christe eleison
Christe eleison

Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant Let us pray,

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The people sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

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 The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 31:9-16
Sung by the choir.

In te, Domine, speravi
Chant: Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

- 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."

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
People*

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.



The people stand.

HYMN

Sung by all.

My song is love unknown

Love unknown

1. My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
2. He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
3. Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
4. They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a
5. Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di - vine: nev -

to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet
er was love, dear King, nev - er was grief like thine. This

who am I that for my sake my
O my friend, my friend in - deed, who
"Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and
cheer - ful he, to suff - 'ring goes, that
is my friend, in whose sweet praise I

Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
at my need his life did spend.
for his death they thirst and cry.
he his foes from thence might free.
all my days could glad - ly spend.

The people stand and are invited to say

THE NICENE CREED

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

Leader Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church.

People ***That we all may be one.***

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;

People ***That thy Name may be glorified by all people.***

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;;

People ***That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.***

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Leader Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;

People ***That our works may find favor in thy sight.***

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Leader Grant to the departed eternal rest;

People ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Leader We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;

People ***May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.***

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of thy people; in the multitude of thy mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to thee for help; for thou art gracious, O lover of souls, and to thee we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*At the conclusion of the Rector's announcements,
anyone with a birthday or anniversary may come forward to receive a blessing.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant gives the Offertory Sentence.

The offering plate will be passed by the ushers. You may also donate by texting ALLSOULS to 73256, or by scanning the QR code.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sung by the choir.

When Jesus Left his Father's Throne
Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

When Jesus left his Father's throne, he chose an humble birth;
like us, unhonored and unknown, he came to dwell on earth.
Like him may we be found below in wisdom's path of peace;
like him in grace and knowledge grow as years and strength increase.

Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mothers round him pressed;
their infants in his arms he took, and on his bosom blessed.
Safe from the world's alluring harms, beneath his watchful eye,
thus in the circle of his arms may we for ever lie.

When Jesus into Zion rode, the children sang around;
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their garments on the ground.
Hosanna our glad voices raise, hosanna to our King!
Should we forget our Savior's praise, the stones themselves would sing.
James Montgomery 1816

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People ***It is meet and right so to do.***

Celebrant IT IS VERY MEET, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; who by his suffering and death became the author of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The people kneel.

Celebrant ALL GLORY BE TO THEE, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

AMEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
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.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *A moment of silence is kept.*

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

AGNUS DEI S 158 *(front of Blue Hymnal)*

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Sung by all

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All WE DO NOT PRESUME *to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

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.

The people may sit or remain kneeling.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive the chalice, gently guide the base of the chalice with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the bread) into the chalice. Receiving in one kind (bread alone) is full communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your arms across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion at their seat should notify an usher.

HYMN 158 *(Blue Hymnal)*

Sung by all.

Ah holy Jesus
Herzliebster Jesu

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

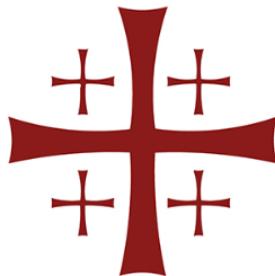
Celebrant Let us pray.

All ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, *we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Bow down before the Lord.

ALMIGHTY GOD, we pray thee graciously to behold this thy 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 livest and reignest for ever and ever. Friends, life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel this way with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. *Amen.*



The people stand.

CLOSING HYMN

Sung by all.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord
Spiritual

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
4. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Were you there when they cru - ci-fied my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

THE PASSION GOSPEL

The people sit for the Passion Gospel.

The people read the bolded parts.

Narrator The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew. Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

Pilate "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Narrator Jesus said,

Jesus "You say so."

Narrator 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?"

Narrator 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?"

Narrator 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."

Narrator 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?"

Narrator And they said,

People "**Barabbas.**"

Narrator Pilate said to them,

Pilate "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

Narrator All of them said,

People "**Let him be crucified!**"

- Narrator* 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."
- Narrator* Then the people as a whole answered,
- People* "***His blood be on us and on our children!***"
- Narrator* 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!"
- Narrator* 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.
- At the mention of Golgotha, the congregation should stand and remain standing for the remainder of the reading.*
- Narrator* 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), 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,
- Bystanders* "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."
- Narrator* In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,
- Chief Priests* "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.'"

Narrator 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, lama sabachthani?"

Narrator that is,

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

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

Bystanders "This man is calling for Elijah."

Narrator 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,

Bystanders "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Narrator 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!"

All Depart The Nave In Silence . . . Holy Week Has Begun



Please join us downstairs in the Undercroft after the service for coffee and conversation. You will also find our welcome table with information about events, sign ups, service opportunities, and other ways to become involved in the life of this faith community.



A Note from our Rector

PREPARING FOR HOLY WEEK. CELEBRATING EASTER SUNDAY WITH JOY!

Dear Friends at All Souls,

I am so thankful for each one of you who are part of the All Souls' family. In these times of fear and loneliness, we draw comfort and strength from joining together as a community every week for worship.

During the 40 days of Lent, we have used the more penitential and traditional language of Rite I for our services. We have become more aware of our need to return to God, to receive forgiveness and mercy. We have spent more time with God, listening to God's tender voice calling us back home and focusing our lives more fully on Jesus Christ, God's Son. Today we enter Holy Week when Jesus enters Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, knowing full well that He will soon be arrested, abused and killed by the religious and political authorities. On Maundy Thursday we are invited with the disciples to the Last Supper when we wash each other's feet in humility and love, as Jesus once did, and eat with Him this last time. On Good Friday, we walk with Jesus to the Cross of Calvary, remembering all that He suffered for our sake. Jesus was determined to accomplish His Heavenly Father's plan, dying for the sins of the whole world. He is taken off the cross, dead and then buried. We weep at what seems the end of our world.

On Easter Sunday, however, we are stunned to find that death is NOT the end for Jesus. He rises bodily from the dead, bearing the scars of His death in His new resurrection body. He then appears to different people, male and female, individuals and groups, at different times of day in different places. Easter Sunday is full of joy, reflected in the contemporary words of our Rite II worship services! When things looked hopeless and unbearably dark, Christ's light burst through. Today, we hang on hope. No fear, no guilt. Only gratitude and joy. Come walk with us!

Warmly,
Mother Sara+

EASTER FLOWER & SPECIAL MUSIC DEDICATIONS

gratefully accepted until March 29

Please consider dedicating an Easter Lily (suggested donation \$45) to the greater glory of God and in memory or thanksgiving of a special person in your life and join in celebrating the hope of the resurrection!

Simply fill out an envelope or pay online (QR code). Email andrea@allsoulsdc.org with words of dedication.



OUR EASTER COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP

Appetizers Welcome!



Everyone is lovingly invited to stay following worship on Easter Sunday, April 5, for a Festive Coffee Hour Fellowship.



*****Please bring your favorite appetizers to share as we celebrate the joy of Easter.***** Together, we will enjoy delicious food, warm fellowship, and a vibrant community. The sign-up sheets for your special appetizers are located in the undercroft and vestibules; however, sign-up is optional.

See you then!

LITURGICAL CALENDAR FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

March 29, PALM SUNDAY

11 am—Holy Eucharist

April 2, MAUNDY THURSDAY

7 pm—Maundy Rite, Foot washing, & Holy Eucharist

April 3, GOOD FRIDAY

12 pm—Spoken Holy Eucharist with Veneration of the Cross
7 pm—Sung Holy Eucharist with Veneration of the Cross

April 5, THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER DAY

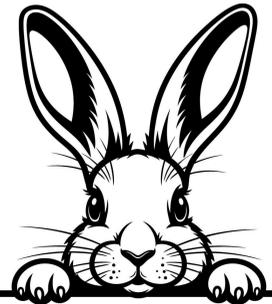
11 am—Festival Eucharist

April 12, THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

11 am—Holy Eucharist

Easter Egg Hunt

A Children's Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Easter Morning, April 5 at 10:15 am.



This event that is open to anyone including neighborhood children and will take place on the church's front yard.

On Palm Sunday please bring in wrapped small candies (such as Hershey kisses) to fit into plastic eggs. Leave the candies in the kitchen fridge.

Thank you! - Outreach



Walk the Journey at All Souls!



PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29
11:00 am

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2
7:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3
Noon & 7:00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5
11:00 am

All are welcome!



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ALL SOULS NEWS FROM THE PEWS

NO ADULT FORUM PALM SUNDAY OR EASTER SUNDAY

Forums **restart Sunday, April 12th** with an opportunity to hear Mother Sara interview two parishioners about their own spiritual journeys. Meet in the Conference Room.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED, April 6-8

Mother Sara will be away Monday - Wednesday April 6-8 after Easter but may still be reached in case of pastoral emergency. The Parish Office will reopen Thursday, April 9.

BIBLE STUDY WITH MOTHER SARA, April 15—June 17)

Join the Bible Study on the “Seven I AM sayings of Jesus in John’s Gospel” meeting in the Conference Room Wednesday evenings from 6-7:30 pm. Register online on the website or email Mother Sara at rector@allsoulsdc.org.



EARTH DAY CONCERT, April 25

Saturday, April 25th from 4-6 pm spend some time outdoors listening to David Palmer and his band play some funk, jazz and rock! Meet in the parking lot. Refreshments will be available.

NEWCOMERS COFFEE WITH MOTHER SARA, April 26

On Sunday, April 26 all newcomers are invited to grab a coffee and a bite to eat from the Undercroft after the service and then come upstairs to the Conference Room to meet with Mother Sara. Bring your questions and find out more about All Souls and the Episcopal Church.

CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERING, May 2

Our parish’s next volunteer event at the Capital Area Food Bank is Sat. May 2 from 1-3:30 pm. Sign up today online using the QR code.



THE ALL SOULS ENDOWMENT BOARD OFFERS GRANTS

Application deadline, May 15

The Endowment board has opened its annual competition for grants to local charities. If you know of a local charity with an interest in helping poor people, elderly people, children, or any who are excluded, please suggest that their leaders fill out the grant proposal form on the All Souls’ website.



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH, May 17

Everyone is invited to attend the annual meeting of the parish on **Sunday, May 17th** right after the 11 am service. The annual meeting offers an opportunity to learn about our accomplishments over the past year as a church community and our goals for the future. We will be electing a Junior Warden and three general Vestry members. If you are interested in serving or would like more information please reach out to the nominating committee.

ALL SOULS FOYER DINNER GROUP SURVEY, 2026-2027

Please take time to fill out the survey on Foyer Dinner Groups by filling out and returning the form found on the Welcome table.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

African Palms;
Pray for our Jewish siblings observing the Season of Passover;
Pray in thanksgiving for the life and witness of Martin Luther King (April 4)

For those who are sick or in need, we pray especially for:

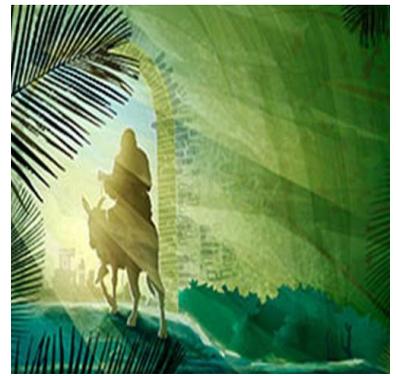
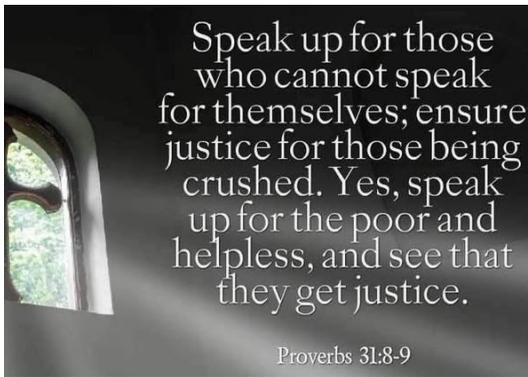
Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan; all victims of gun violence;

For those who have died:

long time parishioners Nancy Aherne and Sybil de la Renaudiere. May light perpetual shine upon them and grant them eternal rest +;

We give thanks for:

all those who have recently used and/or reserved the All Souls Undercroft for their memorable events which have recently included a Celebration of Life Tea Party, a St. Joseph's service for Dignity Washington and a fellowship luncheon for laid off



Earth Day Concert



**APRIL 25, 2026
4-6 PM**



All Souls Episcopal
2300 Cathedral Ave. NW
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Music by the Dave Palmer Quartet
funk, jazz, and rock

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Coffee Hour

Hosted by the Vestry

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vEnessa Acham (2026)
Kurt Jacobs (2026)
James Lewis (2026)
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