



# SAINT MARK'S

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**MARCH 29, 2026 • HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II • 10:30 A.M.**  
**THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY**



**WELCOME!**

**We celebrate God's love by welcoming all people  
into a life with Jesus Christ and each other.**

Your presence blesses us, and we pray this service of worship will be a blessing to you. Whether you are a first-time guest, a longtime member, or somewhere in between, welcome to this place! Together we sing, read, pray, listen, and break bread in thanksgiving and praise of the living God whose love brings new life for us and the world.

Our liturgy comes from The Book of Common Prayer. You will find the accompanying page numbers in this bulletin. It includes the liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Table. Please add your voice to our worship as we pray together the prayers printed in bold and sing the hymns found in this bulletin or in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

All baptized Christians – no matter your age or denomination – are welcome to receive communion. If you are more comfortable coming forward for a blessing, please cross your arms and a blessing will be offered over you. Children are a welcome blessing here at St. Mark's. Many depart after the beginning of the service for Children's Chapel.

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*All are invited to gather outside under the Mary Cecil Oaks where the service begins at 10:30.*

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.*

### GOSPEL READING: LUKE 19:28-40

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

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.**

CELEBRANT Let us go forth in peace.

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

*While waving palms, the Procession moves to the entrance of the Church. Please join the Choir in singing the Processional Hymn.*

*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.

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.  
 Music: *Valet will ich dir geben*, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1899)

**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.*

*Please be seated. The children are invited to depart for Children's Chapel.*

**THE FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 50:4-9A**

READER A reading from the book of 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?

READER        The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE        **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 31:9-16 IN TE, DOMINE, SPERAVI** (*Sung by the Choir.*)

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."

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: *Rockingham*, from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1970; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807)

*Please be seated.*

**THE PASSION GOSPEL: MATTHEW 26:14- 27:66**

*See trifold pamphlet.*

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Curate*

**THE NICENE CREED** (*The People stand.*)

*The Book of Common Prayer* p. 358

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.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (Form V) *(The People may stand or kneel.)*

*The Book of Common Prayer* p. 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian our own Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald our President, Greg our Governor, and all elected city and county officials in Southeast Texas, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Saint Mark and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.**

CELEBRANT For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

*The Book of Common Prayer* p. 360

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "Drop, Drop, Slow Tears"

David Ashley White (b. 1944)

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.

Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, That man to  
2 Who was the guil - ty? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my

judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,  
trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,

by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.  
I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.

Words: Johann Heermann (1585-1647); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt. | Music: *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johann Crüger (1598-1662), alt. from *The Hymnal 1940*.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B** *(The People remain standing.)*

*The Book of Common Prayer* p. 367

- CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.
- PEOPLE **And also with you.**
- CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.
- PEOPLE **We lift them to the Lord.**
- CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- PEOPLE **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
- 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD: SANCTUS** *(Sung by all.)*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant then praises God for the salvation of the world through Jesus Christ our Lord and recalls the institution of the Lord's Supper.*

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
 way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. O Lamb of God, that  
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
 mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
 world, grant us thy peace.

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**CELEBRANT** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The People sit. Please follow the directions of the ushers.*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

*All are invited to join the Choir in the singing Hymns 160 and 458.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** *(Spoken by all, standing.)*

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.

**COMMENDATION OF THOSE TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND** *(As needed.)*

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

**THE SOLEMN PRAYER**

1 A - lone thou go - est forth, O Lord, in  
 2 Our sins, not thine, thou bear - est, Lord; make  
 3 This is earth's dark - est hour, but thou dost  
 4 Grant us with thee to suf - fer pain that,

sac - ri - fice to die; is this thy sor - row  
 us thy sor - row feel, till through our pit - y  
 light and life re - store; then let all praise be  
 as we share this hour, thy cross may bring us

nought to us who pass un - heed - ing by?  
 and our shame love an - swers love's ap - peal.  
 giv - en thee who liv - est ev - er - more.  
 to thy joy and re - sur - rec - tion power.

Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984) | Music: *Bangor*, from *A Compleat Melody or Harmony of Zion*, 1734  
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**The Dismissal**

CELEBRANT Let us bless the Lord.  
 PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** "*Vexilla Regis prodeunt: The Royal Banners Forward Go*"

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

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# HOLY WEEK & EASTER

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**3/29 PALM SUNDAY 8 & 10:30AM+**

**4/2 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6PM+**

**4/3 GOOD FRIDAY 12 NOON+  
STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6PM**

**4/4 EASTER EGG HUNT 11AM**

**4/5 EASTER WORSHIP  
8AM (ORGAN & SOLOIST)  
10:30AM+ (CHOIR, BRASS, & ORGAN)**

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# MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 2, 2026 | 6 PM



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# MAUNDY THURSDAY VIGIL

April 2, 2026

7:30 p.m. till 7:30 a.m



# GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 3, 2026

SERVICE 12 NOON

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6PM



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LAUREN JOHNSEN AT 409-791-7740





**TODAY!!!**

**Potluck  
Sunday**

**Sunday, March 29  
11:45AM in Payne Hall**

Enjoy a potluck lunch with fellowship and mouthwatering dishes. Please bring a something to share. St. Mark's will provide the main dish!

**A- F SIDE DISH  
G-P DESSERT  
R-Z APPETIZER**

*Last name begins with:*

Questions: Lauren Johnsen at 409-791-7740 or [ljohnsen@stmarksbeaumont.org](mailto:ljohnsen@stmarksbeaumont.org)

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## **THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S**

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8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*Spoken*)  
 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation (*The Cloister*)  
 9:15 a.m. Formation  
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*With Music*)  
 11:45 a.m. Parish Potluck

### **Monday, March 30**

12:00 p.m. AA

### **Tuesday, March 31**

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon  
 12:00 p.m. Healing Service  
 12:00 p.m. AA

### **Wednesday, April 1**

11:30 a.m. Rector's Bible Study (*In person*)  
 12:00 p.m. AA  
 5:45 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal  
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00 p.m. Rector's Bible Study (*Online*)

### **Thursday, April 2**

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon  
 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service  
 7:30 p.m. All-night Vigil Begins

### **Friday, April 3**

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Ministry  
 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service  
 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### **Saturday, April 4**

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

## **SAVE THE DATE**

April 4 Easter Egg Hunt at 11 a.m.  
 April 5 Easter at St. Mark's at 8 & 10:30 a.m.  
 April 12 Confirmation & Reception at 10:30 a.m.  
 April 19 Treasure House Sunday  
 April 26 St. Mark's Day Celebration  
 April 26 Return White Lenten Coin Boxes

## **CLERGY AND PROGRAM STAFF**

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, *Bishop of Texas*  
 The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, *Rector*  
 The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Curate*  
 The Rev. Keith Giblin, *Priest Associate*  
 The Rev. Tracie Middleton, *Deacon*  
 Jordan Williams, *Organist-Choirmaster*  
 Genevieve Brassard, *Assistant Director of Music*  
 Jerome Wells, *Organist-Choirmaster Emeritus*  
 Lauren Johnsen, *Director of Family Ministry*

## **Vestry**

Dr. Bob Birdwell, *Senior Warden* Charles Teel, *Junior Warden*  
 Ryan Schiesler, *Treasurer* James Black, *Chancellor*

### **2027**

Gail Davis  
 Floyd McSpadden  
 Ed Stedman  
 Pat Sherwood  
 Charles Teel

### **2028**

Bob Birdwell  
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 Laurel Shrontz

### **2029**

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