

St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday



Holy Eucharist
Sunday, March 24, 2024
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Welcome! We offer two services on Sundays, one at 8:00 and one at 10:30 a.m. The 10:30 a.m. service is broadcast on Facebook Live or YouTube, and you can view it live. Livestreaming begins at 10:25 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Palms

CELEBRANT Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

The Celebrant says

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.***

Here the Priest reads the following

Mark 11:1-11

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Celebrant then says the following blessing

The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE

And also with you.

CELEBRANT

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

CELEBRANT

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE

Hosanna in the highest.

THE PROCESSION

PRIEST

Let us go forth in peace.

PEOPLE

In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN (10:30 a.m. only) All Glory, Laud, and Honor


*Valet will ich dir geben
The Hymnal 1982 #154*




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



Repeat Refrain



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



The Word of God

OFFICIANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

OFFICIANT 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.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

All sit.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

⁴The 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.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I 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.

⁷The 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;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
^{9a}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

Please join me in reading the psalm responsively by half verse.

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

¹¹I 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.

¹²I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³For 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.

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, “You are my God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand; *
**rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.”

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.


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

HYMN (10:30 a.m. only)

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston

The Hymnal 1982 #435 (st. 1-3)



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name
3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,

1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,

1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;

1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.

THE PASSION GOSPEL (PART ONE)

Mark 15:1-21

Please remain seated for a period of silence in preparation for Part One of the Passion Narrative.

CELEBRANT The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

¹As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. ²Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." ³Then the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." ⁵But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

⁶Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. ⁷Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. ⁸So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. ⁹Then he answered them, “Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” ¹⁰For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. ¹²Pilate spoke to them again, “Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?” ¹³They shouted back,

CONGREGATION **Crucify him!**

¹⁴Pilate asked them, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more,

CONGREGATION **Crucify him!**

¹⁵So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

¹⁶Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor’s headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸And they began saluting him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” ¹⁹They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

²¹They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those our prayer list:

Ruth Anderson, Rodger Atkinson, Dez Blue, Leslie Brown, Will Burkey, Jim Calloway, Randy Clifton, Rick Davis, Lance Dickenson, Nancy Dillard, Suzanne Dininny, Annie Driggers, Howard and Dianne Dyer, John Ehrler, Annette Ellerton, Martha C. Fout, Catherine Frey, Kathy Haehnel, Tim Harris, Nancy Higgins, Howard Jackson, Kay Jones, James Keirstead, Michael Kirwen, Ruth LePine, Tom Lewis, Pam Love, Elisabeth Marchant, Dottie Marcinko, Sheree Martines, Johnny Martinez, Kathryn McKinley, Robert Mitchener, Nathalie Moffitt, Francisco Leon Olea, Nancy Patterson, Hudson Rudisill, Gabrielle Ruge, Arlindo and Alice Silva, Ray Snellgrove and family, Rus Snelling, Jim Tso, Emily Walthall, Ryan Weld, Ed Wiseman, Moonyean and Risdon Wood, Amber, Barry, Charles, and Christy.

The Priest continues

We remember those who are expecting childbirth, especially Allison and John Bateman, and Taylor and Brendan Elliott.

We offer prayers for the Faith Build, including St. Philip's, Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church, Transylvania Habitat for Humanity staff, as well as all volunteers and Corey, who is also working to make this house his home.

In our diocese, we pray for peace in the Diocese of Jerusalem. In our Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

The people may kneel or stand. Silence may be kept.

Minister and People together say

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

PEACE

All stand.

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

ANTHEM (10:30 a.m.)

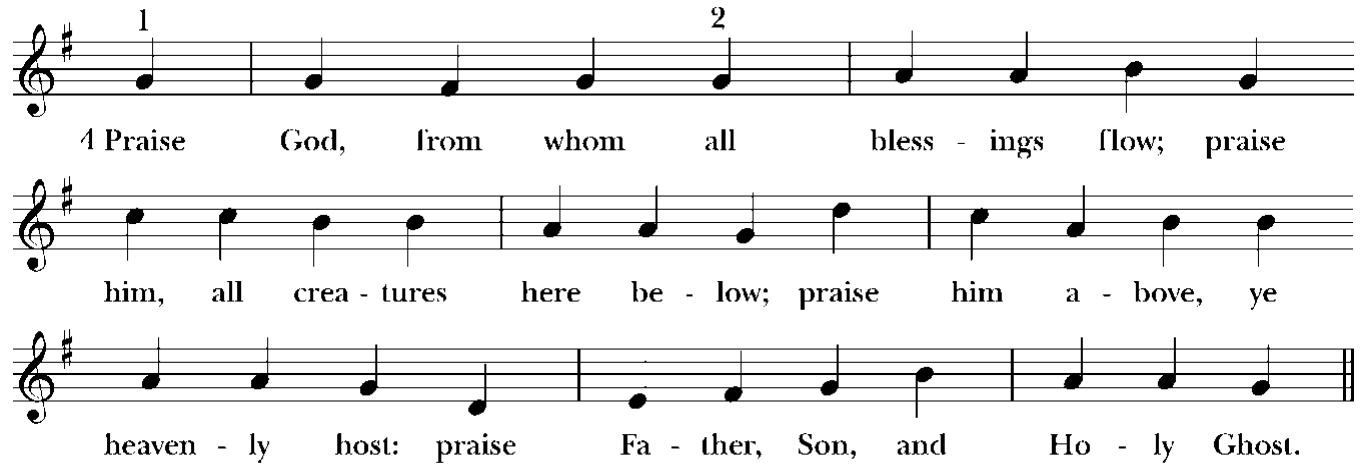
Go to Dark Gethsemane

Petra

OFFERTORY HYMN (10:30 a.m. only)

Eighth Tune

The Hymnal 1982 #43 (st. 4)



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4 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people stand as they are able.

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE **We lift them to the Lord.**

CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Richard Proulx
The Hymnal 1982 #S-125

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,". The second staff continues: "heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -". The third staff continues: "san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.". The fourth staff continues: "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The fifth staff concludes with: "san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.".

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Celebrant

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM

CELEBRANT We break this bread
to share in the Body of Christ.
PEOPLE *We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.*

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek Christ are invited to receive the bread and wine standing or kneeling at the altar rail. If you choose not to receive the wine, let the server know that you want only the bread by placing one hand over your heart (receiving only the bread is full communion). If you prefer not to take communion, you may come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest, or not come forward at all; no one will judge you.

To receive the wine by intinction, please come to the altar rail. Extend your hands, palms flat, and the bread will be placed there for you to dip the bread into the wine.

To receive the wine by sipping from the chalice, please also come to the altar rail, consume the bread, then please help the Lay Eucharistic Minister guide the chalice to your lips to sip.

Please wait for an usher to release you from your pew to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

(8:00 a.m.) What Wonderful Love Is This arr. G. Krapf

(10:30 a.m.) O Love Elaine Hagenberg

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

This prayer takes the place of the Post Communion Prayer for those worshiping at home.

Gracious God, since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and

strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The people stand as they are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

After the prayer, the People respond

Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER

All kneel. The Celebrant says

Let us bow down before the Lord.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The congregation stands.

²²Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). ²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

²⁵It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³²Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

³³When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." ³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

There is a period of silence.

³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

⁴⁰There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

⁴²When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, ⁴³Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. ⁴⁵When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

*A period of silence follows the Passion Narrative.
A bell will toll three times signifying a Trinitarian blessing.*

The congregation exits in silence. Clergy will not greet at the exit to maintain the solemnity of the service.



Hearing Loop assistance is available inside this building. Set hearing aid on "T" (telecoil) setting. Headsets are also available in both the narthex and Miller Hall that will allow access to the Hearing Loop. Please see an usher for help.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

We welcome children of all ages in all our worship services. You can find worship bags with quiet activities for children in the narthex. **Nursery for children Kindergarten age and younger is available today at our 10:30 a.m. service beginning at 10:15 a.m.** An usher can direct you to our nursery located on the lower level of our parish building.

THIS SUNDAY AT ST. PHILIP'S

- **Sunday at 8:00 a.m.** – From Palm Sunday through the summer, we will enjoy sharing the same Holy Eucharist, Rite II liturgy in our Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. spoken service as the 10:30 a.m. service.
- **Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m.** – "The Way of Love" is the topic of a four-session Adult Forum class during the Sundays in Lent continuing March 24th. Seven ancient spiritual practices will be discussed to help participants develop a Jesus-centered rule of life—TURN, LEARN, PRAY, WORSHIP, BLESS, GO, and REST. The Rev. Bill McCleery will be the facilitator. Adult Forum meets in the YAC, our large downstairs meeting room.

- **Coffee & Conversation at 9:15 a.m.** –The Raising of Lazarus is one of the most fascinating stories in the life of Jesus. Through art, story and narrative, we will discuss how a person actually experiences transformation. Can a person really change? Explore the stench of transformation and the lingering Jesus. We'll explore 5 graveclothes that many of us wear in 2024 that hold us back. Stephen W. Smith, who attends St. Philip's, will lead our discussion on March 24, 2024, at 9:15 in Miller Hall. In the life of the church, Psalm Sunday is held as the Sunday we observe the raising of Lazarus and how his resurrection foreshadows that of Jesus. Coffee & Conversation meets in Miller Hall, our large upstairs meeting room. The presentation begins at 9:15 a.m.
- **Godly Play at 9:15 a.m.** – Children ages 4 through 5th grade will be engaged in Godly Play. The Godly Play approach helps them to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Godly Play meets in the education wing downstairs.
- **Children's Church at 10:30 a.m.** – On Sunday, March 24, we will have Children's Church during the Liturgy of the Word in the 10:30 a.m. service. Children in K - 5th grade may be dropped off in the Sunday School room across from the Godly Play room (the youth classroom) before parents/grandparents go to church. Children will be brought to the church during the Peace and should join their family for communion.
- **Sunday at 10:30 a.m.** – Join us for Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music at our 10:30 a.m. service.
- **Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. service** – All are invited and always welcome to join us in Miller Hall (our upstairs fellowship hall) after the 10:30 a.m. service for juice or coffee and fellowship. This is a great chance to mingle, meet new people, or just relax with friends.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed Easter Monday, April 1, 2024, and will resume its usual hours the following day.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THESE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES AND EVENTS

St. Philip's welcomes everyone to journey through Holy Week and celebrate our Lord's Resurrection! All these services are held at 256 E. Main St. in Brevard, NC. Those marked with an asterisk (*) are also livestreamed on our Facebook page and [YouTube channel](#).

Palm Sunday, March 24

8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist. The service begins in front of the parish hall doors on Main Street and then moves inside the church.

*** 10:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist.** The service begins in front of the parish hall doors on Main Street and then moves inside the church.

Wednesday in Holy Week, March 27

10:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

Maundy Thursday, March 28

*** 5:30 p.m. Liturgy for Maundy Thursday** with Holy Communion and the Washing of Feet

Good Friday, March 29

*** 12:00 p.m. Liturgy for Good Friday**

From 12:00-3:00 pm, the church, labyrinth, and contemplative path will also be open for private prayer.

Easter Eve, Saturday, March 30

7:30 p.m. The Easter Vigil. The service begins in front of the parish hall doors on Main Street and moves into the church.

An Alleluia Celebration in Miller Hall will follow the liturgy.

EASTER DAY, Sunday, March 31

(Note the special service times!)

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at the Labyrinth (bring your lawnchairs!)

8:30 a.m. Easter Festival Eucharist with choir and brass

10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt - All children through 5th grade are invited - bring your own basket and meet in the back parking lot at the gate to the playground. (There will be separate areas for younger and older children, and extra baskets for children who need them.)

*** 11:00 a.m. Easter Festival Eucharist** with choir and brass

**Services with an asterisk are livestreamed.*

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

24 Kris Klose	27 Joe Hamrick	29 Jeff Hunt
25 Ora Wells	27 Elisabeth Marchant	29 Ruth Anderson
26 Mary Adams	27 Amber Bennett	29 Kathryn Polmanteer
26 Benjamin Gregg	28 Martha Gilliam	29 Angela Emerson
26 Carter Taulbee	28 Barbara Livengood	

Anniversaries

26 Richard and Martha Mayberry	29 Mark and Janine Isabelli
27 Jeff and Margaret Hunt	30 Elliott and Emily Walthall
28 Dustin Calhoun and Todd Hall	

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday is the Sixth Sunday in Lent and the beginning of Holy Week. It commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. On Palm Sunday, palm fronds are blessed outside the church building and a procession enters, singing, re-enacting the entry into Jerusalem. However, the service changes focus abruptly from the triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the solemnity of the Passion. (The English word *passion* comes from a Latin word that means "to suffer," the same word from which we derive the English word *patient*.) The colors now change to red for Palm Sunday. Red is the color the church uses for Pentecost as well as remembering the martyrs of the church. Since it symbolizes shed blood, it is also used on Palm Sunday to symbolize the death of Jesus.

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Director of Music MinistryDr. Brittnee Siemon
OrganScott Coates
Altar Guild..... Dolores Brown
Jo Buescher

8:00 a.m.

Acolyte	Kathryn Polmanteer	LEM	Jim Tyson
Reader 1	Jan Dryselius	Welcomer	Jo Buescher
Reader 2	Molly Tartt	Ushers	Sheree Watt
Reader 3	Bob Wesneski		Terry Watt

10:30 a.m.

Acolyte2	Sophia Amedd		
	Emily Ellerton	Welcomer	Julie Heinitsh
Reader 1	Harvey Miller	Ushers	Leslie Lathrop
Reader 2	Bob Farrand		Jann Mellman
Reader 3	Susan Lefler	Offering Counters	
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