

BRUTON PARISH CHURCH

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GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

APRIL 3, 2026

12 NOON IN THE CHURCH
(and live-streamed)

Good Friday's Offering will be given to the Holy Land.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: Blessed be our God.

People: **For ever and ever. Amen.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

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 now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him - so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals - so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate. Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death,

and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
and are so far from my cry and from the
words of my distress?**
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer;
by night as well, but I find no rest.**
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned upon the praises of Israel**
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.**
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man,
scorned by all and despised by the people.**
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,**
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."**
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb,
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.**
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.**
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.**
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me,
like a ravening and a roaring lion.**
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.**
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.**
- 16 Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers
circle around me;
they pierce my hands and my feet;
I can count all my bones.**
- 17 They stare and gloat over me;
they divide my garments among them;
they cast lots for my clothing.**
- 18 Be not far away, O Lord;
you are my strength; hasten to help me.**
- 19 Save me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.**

- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth,
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.**
- 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.**
- 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him;
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.**
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.**
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence
of those who worship him.**
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:
"May your heart live for ever!"**
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.**
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.**
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in
worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.**
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.**
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.**

The Second Reading: Hebrews 10:16-25

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The Holy Spirit testifies saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow,
where the blood of Christ was shed,
perfect Man on thee did suffer,
perfect God on thee has bled!**

**Here the King of all the ages,
throned in light ere worlds could be,
robed in mortal flesh is dying,
crucified by sin for me.**

**O mysterious condescending!
O abandonment sublime!
Very God himself is bearing
all the sufferings of time!**

**Cross of Jesus, cross of sorrow,
where the blood of Christ was shed,
perfect Man on thee did suffer,
perfect God on thee has bled!**

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (26:14-27:66)

One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" 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, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" He said, "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.'" 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, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?" He answered, "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." Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" He replied, "You have said so."

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them,

saying, "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."

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd, the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "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." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." 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, "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."

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, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." 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, "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?" At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "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." 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, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'" The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "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."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about." When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" 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, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." 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, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money." 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."

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" 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, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" 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, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." 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, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

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, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" 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, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 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), 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, "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." In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, "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.'" 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, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." 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, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." 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, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

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, "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." Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

The Sermon

The Rev. Charles H. Bauer

Anthem: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Gilbert Martin

The Solemn Collects (*All standing, the Officiant says to the people*)

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service
For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve
For Susan our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese
For all Christians in this community
For those about to be baptized

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all nations and people of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

For Donald, the President of the United States
For the Congress and the Supreme Court
For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations
For all who serve the common good

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Almighty God; kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed
For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled
For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish
For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair
For the sorrowful and bereaved
For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger

That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;

For those who have never heard the word of salvation
For those who have lost their faith
For those hardened by sin or indifference
For the contemptuous and the scornful
For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples
For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others

That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Merciful God, Creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may

be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord,
and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 166, vv. 1-5

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**Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle;
of the mighty conflict sing;
tell the triumph of the victim,
to his cross thy tribute bring.
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer
from that cross now reigns as King.**

**Thirty years among us dwelling,
his appointed time fulfilled,
born for this, he meets his passion,
this the Savior freely willed:
on the cross the Lamb is lifted,
where his precious blood is spilled.**

**He endures the nails, the spitting,
vinegar, and spear, and reed;
from that holy body broken
blood and water forth proceed:
earth, and stars, and sky, and ocean,
by that flood from stain are freed.**

**Faithful cross! above all other,
one and only noble tree!
None in foliage, none in blossom,
none in fruit thy peer may be:
sweetest wood and sweetest iron!
sweetest weight is hung on thee.**

**Bend thy boughs, O tree of glory!
Thy relaxing sinews bend;
for awhile the ancient rigor
that thy birth bestowed, suspend;
and the King of heavenly beauty
gently on thine arms extend.**

Anthem

Officiant: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
People: **because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Officiant: If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;
if we endure, we shall also reign with him.

People: **We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant & People:

**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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 172

Were You There

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**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
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 pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?**

**Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?**

Please leave in silence.

In your prayers this week, please remember persons for whom our prayers are asked, especially Alexander, Alice, Alice B., Allison, Bill D., Bill K., Blair, Bob, Bonner, Byrne, Carole, Caulder, Chuck, Cliff, Daniel, Dave, David, Dawn, Derek, Diane J., Dick and Paula, Ed, Edwin, Erica, Gary, Gene, George, Jackson, Jim, Judith, Kate, Larry, Laura, Mackenzie, Marcia, Mark, Marlowe, Mary, (Pattee), Mecia, Mike D., Mike J., Pat, Reginald, Sally, Steve, Steve N., Tracy, Will; for all caregivers; **those in service to our country**, especially Catherine Bean, Billy, Cameron Blount, Matt Bosworth, Michael Boyle, Ned Burgwyn, Matthew Burleson, Willard Burleson, Dane Butler, Mason Butler, Cameron Byrd, Justin Chalkley, Christopher Chavez, James Coffey, Jake Cooley, Andrew Cox, Charles Cox, Kyle Defibaugh, Patrick Diehl, Connor Diesing, Duane Diesing, Monte Dunard, Daniel Faughnan, Ryan Frantz, John Gaston, Abby Goetsch, Joshua Hays, Rob Hodgson, Michael Holm, Jeff Hunter, Chip Huntsberry, Dane Jansson, Maddox Jurgensen, Jason Kelly, Charles Lewis, Jr., Thomas Lovegren, David L. McKinney, Michael H. Manson Jr., Patrick Menkhaus, Courtney Miyamasu, Katherine Miyamasu, Timothy Moffitt, Stephen Mongold, Jordan Morgan, Phillip Morrison, Joshua Mullen, Logan O'Donnell, Spencer O'Donnell, Steven Paul Pearce, Donald Ernest Perkins III, Jeremy Provencher, Jonathan Rogers, Lauren Rogers, Trevor Rogers, Michelle Rose, Mike Rose, Conner S., Sean Garand, Jasper Smith, Carson Strassels, Ryan Suders, Henry White, John Wilkes; and **we pray for the departed.**

Announcements

The Great Vigil of Easter, April 4, 8pm: Including the Liturgy of the Word and Holy Eucharist, the Great Vigil of Easter will be held in the church at 8pm and live-streamed to our YouTube Channel.

The Sunday of the Resurrection, April 5: The **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held in the churchyard (weather permitting) following the 9:15am services. Children should bring their baskets! **The Flower Cross** will be stationed in the churchyard on Easter morning. All are encouraged to bring cut flowers for the cross which will be used as a backdrop for the churchyard service. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 757-229-2891 or BPC@brutonparish.org.

- **8am Holy Eucharist, Rite I** in the church;
- **9:15am Holy Eucharist, Rite II** in the church (and live-streamed; *nursery available in the Parish House only during the 9:15am services*);
- **9:15am Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the *churtyard*** (please bring chairs/blankets to sit on; in case of rain, the service will be held in the Parish House)
- **11:15am Holy Eucharist, Rite II** in the church; and
- **5:30pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II** in the church.

The Church Offices will be closed Easter Monday & Tuesday, April 6 & 7.

Gift Shop: There is nothing more exciting in Springtime than seeing the budding flowers, the greening of the trees and hear the birds chirping. Likewise, in the shop, we get very excited about all our new merchandise arriving every day. We love the pastels in scarves and handbags. The soap rocks with the beautiful colors of actual geodes evoke oohs and aahs from our customers. What else is new in the shop? When you come in, ask about our "little notes" perfect for use as gift cards, place cards, or for a sweet note in someone's lunch box. Give us an idea how you would use yours. Be creative! Our new line of jewelry has already been a hit with some of the component parts in the designs originating in France or Italy making each piece unique.

Newcomers Corner, April 12, 10:15am: Those who are new to the parish are invited to join us in the Custis House between the 9:15 and 11:15am services for refreshments, and meet the clergy, vestry and others of the parish. This is a great time to learn more about the many ministries here at Bruton.

Bruton Social, April 17, 5:30pm: Please join us for the next Bruton Social, scheduled for Friday, April 17th, at 5:30pm and hosted by Jane and Alan Kriz in Colonial Heritage. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to alan.kriz@gmail.com by April 13. Thanks to Leith and Chuck Mullaly for hosting in March. These gatherings provide the opportunity for parishioners to get together and enjoy fellowship over food and drink. These are held in the home of a parishioner, and the host provides beverages while guests provide shareable appetizers or light snacks. If you are interested in hosting at your home in 2026, please let Alan Kriz know at alan.kriz@gmail.com. As of now, we have a host for May (Kentucky Derby party!), and we are looking for hosts for the rest of the year. If you have questions about the program, please feel free to give Alan a call at 860-608-8391.

Canterbury Gala Tickets Available, April 18, 6-8pm: Canterbury: the Episcopal Church at William & Mary invites you to save the date for this year's Black Tie Gala in support of Canterbury's ministry. We will return this year to the Great Hall of the Historic Wren Building on campus - tickets are available at episcopalwm.org/gala! Canterbury also seeks donations for the silent auction; reach out to canterbury@brutonparish.org if you have items you might donate. For a special invitation to the Gala all the way from the Canterbury Cathedral, watch this video at bit.ly/CANTERBURYGALA.

Bible Lectionary Study, Tuesdays, 9am: Bruton's Tuesday morning lectionary seminar, led by the Rev. Steven Woolley, offers an opportunity for a

deep dive into scripture, congenial conversation, and a little levity. Please join us in the parish house library each Tuesday morning from 9-10am where we promise to start and end on time.

Realm: Please contact Margaret Driscoll at mdriscoll@brutonparish.org or (757) 345-2256 if you need help setting up your Realm account or have questions.

Friends of Bruton's purpose is to provide a way for individuals and families, who may live throughout the United States and indeed around the world, to participate in the preservation and promotion of the unique history and spiritual legacy of Bruton Parish Church. Friends of Bruton is open to all who share this vision. Become a Friend of Bruton and a Cornerstone Circle Member by visiting www.brutonparish.org/fobowc, where you can also read the current issue of *The Bruton Fount*, our periodic electronic newsletter.

Mission & Outreach

Loaves & Fishes Volunteering: Over 40 volunteers lent their hands and hearts last week to make Bountiful Blessings pick-ups, deliver 23 backpack buddy bags, shop and deliver 14 bags of crockpot meals, assemble and deliver 50 Grove Meals, and cook, assemble and deliver 128 motel meals! Both the Motel Meals and the Crockpot Meals have experienced growth, so please grab an upcoming slot if you are able: Motel Meals (<https://bit.ly/MOTEL-MEALS>) and Crockpot Meals (<https://bit.ly/CROCKPOT-MEALS>). If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Smyth at lynndanielsmyth@gmail.com.

Participants

Reader 1	Susan Allen
Reader 2	Maridell Loomis
Ushers	Colly Burgwyn, Pam Stromberg
A/V	Ed Bayne

This Week at Bruton

Good Friday, April 3

Good Friday Liturgy	Noon*
Stations of the Cross	1:30 pm
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Holy Saturday, April 4

Great Vigil of Easter	8 pm*
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Easter Sunday, April 5

Festival Holy Eucharist:	8, 9:15*, 11:15 am & 5:30 pm
Churchyard, weather permitting	9:15 am
Easter Egg Hunt in Churchyard	10:30 am

*Services are live-streamed at www.youtube.com/BrutonParish.

All are welcome!

Clergy & Staff

The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes, Bishop, Diocese of Southern Virginia

The Rev. William J. Watson III, Interim Rector

The Rev. Charles H. Bauer, Associate Rector - Christian Formation

The Rev. Lauren M. McDonald, Associate Rector
Outreach & Women's Ministries

Rebecca E. Davy, Music Director & Organist

Dr. JanEl B. Will, Organist

Meghan O. Brewer, Coordinator for Children's & Youth Ministries

Christine Britton, Parish Life Coordinator

Ernie Clements, Facilities Manager

Hilary Cooley, Communications Director

Margaret Driscoll, Director of Development & Newcomer Engagement

John Fogarty, Comptroller

Ernie Henninger, Shop & Finance Assistant

Diane Koun, Shop Manager

Bev Frankel, Shop Assistant Manager

Sherry Stewart, Sexton

Mecia Wiggins, Sexton

Vestry Members

Taylor Banks, Carlyle Campbell, Robyn Hansen, Kathy Harper,
Randy Hobbs (Junior Warden), Ron Hurst, Anna Martin,
John Morgan (Senior Warden), Lori Forcucci Smith, Michael Smith (Register),
Sue Saunders and Larry Zensinger

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