

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S CHAPEL

Open hearts, open minds, open doors

Ten O'clock in the Morning

Sunday, April 2, 2023

PALM SUNDAY

ALSO KNOWN AS PASSION SUNDAY



As the People come into the church, an usher hands each one a Palm. These palms are then blessed while in the hands of the People, according to the liturgy which follows.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Officiant: Blessed ✽ is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord.

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

THE COLLECT

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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.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-11

Officiant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Officiant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Officiant: 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

The Officiant blesses the People and the Palms with holy water.

Officiant: Let us go forth in peace. **People: In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

HYMN 154

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Israel
and David's royal Son, who in
the Lord's name comest,
the King and Blessed One.

2 The company of angels
is praising thee on high;
and we with all creation
in chorus make reply.

3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and
anthems before thee we
present.

STATION AT THE ROOD

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. **People:** **Hosanna in the highest**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

4. To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. [Refrain]

5. Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King.

THE COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*in unison*)

A*lmighty 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.*

The People are seated.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

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.**



RESPONSE: LET YOUR FACE SHINE UPON YOUR SERVANT.

R

⁹Be gracious to me, O God, for I am in distress;
my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

¹⁰For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

¹¹I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.

¹²I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.

R

¹³For I hear the whispering of many — terror all around! —
as they scheme together against me as they plot to take my life.

¹⁴But I trust in you, O God;
I say, "You are my God."

¹⁵My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love. **R**

(May be sung with double tone.)

THE EPISTLE A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

Philippians 2:5-11

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

The congregation initially sits for the Passion Gospel.

The Passion is announced without acclamation.

The congregation reads the bold faced type.

The PASSION ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

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 Jesus 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, and 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.

All Stand

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.

All Kneel, as each is able

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.

SERMON

The People are seated.

The Rev'd Gary K. Sturni, D.Min.

When the Liturgy of the Palms has preceded, The Nicene Creed and Confession may be omitted at this liturgy.

The People stand

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR PALM SUNDAY

Subdeacon: We stand with Christ in his suffering.

Leader: For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, and among people of all faiths, tolerance and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who make the Middle East a battleground, let us pray to the Lord.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure or sorrow, feel that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The Celebrant Continues

Father, the prayer of Christ brought forgiveness to those who crucified him, and the prayer of the thief brought him a place with Christ at your side. Hear the prayers we now make to you, and sustain your people in their need. We make our prayer through Christ, our crucified Lord. **AMEN.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **People:** **And also with you.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

HOLY COMMUNION

All who are baptized in any branch of Christ's Church are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a Blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about Baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

OFFERTORY HYMN

"O sacred head, sore wounded"

Hymnal 168

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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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.**

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. And now we give you thanks because, for our salvation, he was obedient even to death on the cross. The tree of shame was made the tree of glory; and where life was lost, there life has been restored. 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

Hymnal 1982, S-124

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues (The People may stand)

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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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 LORD'S PRAYER

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 FRACTION ANTHEM (Spoken)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal 1982, S-161

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM

“Musikalische Exequien” Opus 7 (excerpt)

Heinrich Schütz

(Soprano I, Bass I)

Unser Wandel is im Himmel, von dannen wir auch warten des Heilandes
Jesu Christi, des Herren, welcher unsern nichtigen Leib verklären wird,
daß er ähnlich werde seinem verklärten Leibe.

Our life is for heaven: from there also we look for the Savior, Lord Jesus Christ: he will transfigure our futile body to become similar to His glorious body. (Philippians 3:20- 21a)

(Capella)

Es ist allhier ein Jammertal, Angst, Not und Trübsal überall, des Bleibens ist ein kleine Zeit,
voller Mühseligkeit, und wer's bedenkt, ist immer im Streit.

Here all around is a vale of tears, need and sorrow everywhere, our stay here is for but a brief time full of hardship, and if you think about it, you are always in disharmony. (Johann Leon)

(Soprano I/II)

Wenn eure Sünde gleich blutrot wäre, soll sie doch schneeweiß werden;
wenn sie gleich ist wie rosinfarb, soll sie doch wie Wolle werden.

*If your sin were as red as blood, it shall be as white as snow,
were it red like crimson, it shall be as wool. (Isaiah 1:18b)*

(Capella)

Er ist das Heil und selig Licht für die Heiden, zu erleuchten, die dich kennen nicht,
und zu weiden. Er ist seines Volks Israel der Preis, Ehr, Freud und Wonne.

*He is the salvation and blessed light for the heathen, to enlighten those who don't know You and to tend them. He is of His people
Israel the prize, honor, joy and delight. (Martin Luther)*

(Capella)

Ach, wie elend ist unser Zeit allhier auf dieser Erden,
gar bald der Mensch darniederleit, wir müssen alle sterben,
allhier in diesem Jammertal ist Müh und Arbeit überall, auch wenn dir's wohl gelinget.

Ah, how wretched is our time here on earth. soon man lies down, as we all must die: Here, in this vale of tears, is
everywhere trouble and labour, even if you prosper. (Johannes Gigas, 1566)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

People: May we who share this banquet glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, our saviour, life and hope, who lives, and reigns, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant:

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing ✠ ...

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Ab, baby Jesus”

Hymnal 158

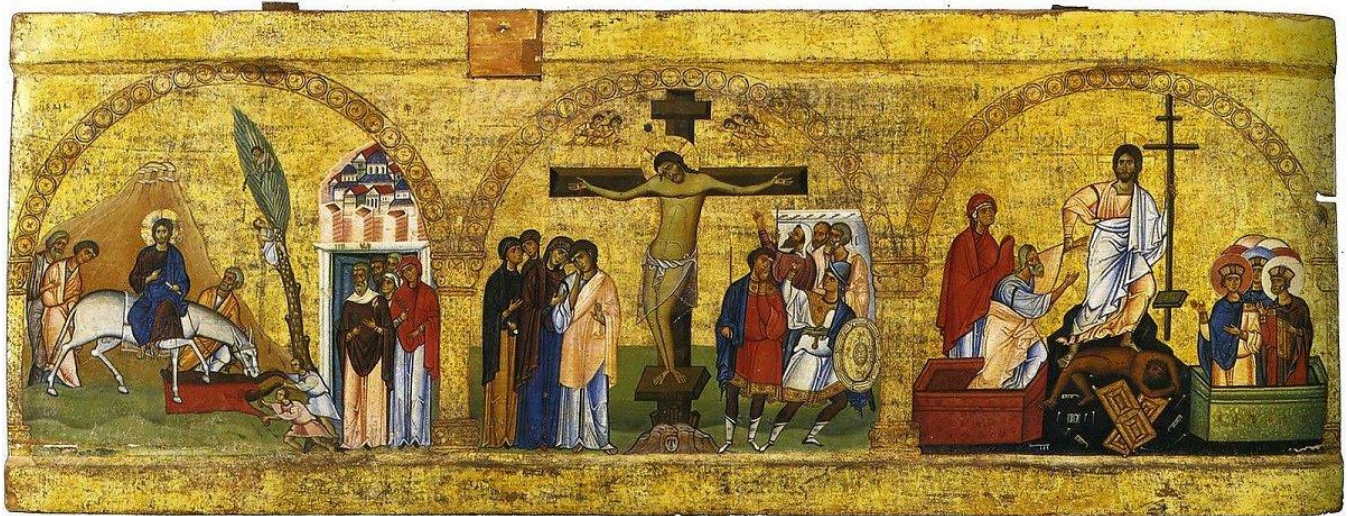
DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

“Through Adam’s fall, all men are doomed”

J.S. Bach, BWV 637



HOLY WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

APRIL 2 – 9, 2023

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6, 2023

7:00 pm with The Rev'd Bruce Steinway

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

April 7, 2023

7:00 pm with The Rev'd Gary Sturni

EASTER DAY

April 9, 2023

8:00 am and 10:00 am

With The Rev'd Gary Sturni
and The Rev'd Ben Brockman

MANY THANKS TO OUR SUNDAY MINISTERS

APRIL 2, 2023

Rite I, 8 am

- Altar Guild: Gale Morrow
- Usher: Terry Bitwinski
- Eucharistic Minister: David Sykes
- Reader: David Sykes
- Passion Reader: David Sykes
- Passion Reader: Barbara Rossiter
- Passion Reader: Terry Bitwinski
- Passion Reader: Sue Gagnon
- Prayers of the People: Terry Bitwinski
- Videographer: Jim Morrow

Rite II, 10 am

- Altar Guild: John Doiron
- Usher: Sudie Evageliou
- Eucharistic Minister: Madison Day
- Reader/Intercessor: Harry Evageliou
- Passion Reader: Harry Evageliou
- Passion Reader: Art Engler
- Passion Reader: Peter Kosciusko
- Passion Reader: Bruce Steinway
- Passion Reader: Madison Day
- Videographer: John Doiron
- Coffee Hour: Barbara Depray

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