

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a palm frond. The frond is green with long, slender, pointed leaves. The hand is visible at the bottom left, holding the stem of the frond. The background is a clear, light blue sky.

• EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OF THE ASCENSION •

PALM SUNDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST
APRIL 10, 2022

WELCOME!

We are glad you are here, whether you are new to Church of the Ascension or have been here long. Wherever you may be in your spiritual life, we hope that Church of the Ascension can be for you a place of encouragement, healing, and love. To quote our Mission Statement, we are here to enable ourselves to experience God in Christ, to seek and serve Him in others, and to grow towards Christ and proclaim Him to the world.

If today is your first time with us, or you have recently joined our church family and have not filled out a pew card, please find one in front of you to fill out and put in the offering plate. This will help us know how we can get to know you better and understand how to invite you more deeply into our church community's life. Also, if you wish, please make yourself known to one of our clergy or ushers.

All are welcome at Christ's table, and we hope that you experience God in Christ this day!

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Palm Sunday | April 10, 2022 | 10:30 am

THE WORD OF GOD

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

A READING OF THE ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

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

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

All **Amen.**

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

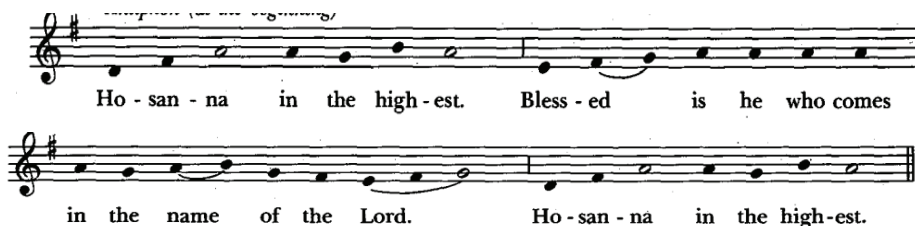
All **Hosanna in the highest.**

Deacon Let us go forth in peace;

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

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

Hymn 157



OPENING HYMN

Hymn 154

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

A "collect" is a prayer that brings together the themes of the liturgical season and the day.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings. Children ages four through 5th grade may gather at the front of the church in order to follow the cross to children's chapel. Parents of small children are invited to walk their children to chapel until their children are comfortable doing so alone.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray together.

All **Gracious God, may the eyes of our children see Your glory, may their ears hear Your words, and may their minds receive Your wisdom. As they grow, let the mouths of our children speak Your truth, let their hearts be filled with Your love, and let their hands do Your work; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Lector A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed. **REFRAIN.**
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies
and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot. **REFRAIN.**
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, "You are my God. **REFRAIN.**"
- 15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me." **REFRAIN.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

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.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN *Please stand*

Hymn 458

“My Song is Love Unknown”

*In the Episcopal Church, we stand and face
the Gospel Book during the reading to acknowledge
its importance as the recounting of the life
and words of Jesus.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 22:39-23:49

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

The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.

*The Passion narrative, which takes the place of the Gospel reading, will be read dramatically.
At the phrase, “And when they came to a place called Golgotha,” please stand as you are
able. You are also invited to read aloud the responses from the “Crowd”.*

Due to the Passion narrative being read, we omit the Creed, Confession, and the Peace.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Afro-American Spiritual

“Were You There?”

D. Scot Williams, *cello*

A moment of silent meditation follows

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us pray for the healing of our brokenness, and the
sanctification of our souls.

Officiant We believe, Lord;
People **Establish our faith.**

Officiant We hope in you, Lord;
People **Strengthen our hope.**

Officiant We have loved you, Lord;
People **Purify our love and kindle it.**

Officiant We are broken Lord;

People	Increase our repentance.
Officiant People	Direct us by Your wisdom; Protect us and strengthen us.
Officiant People	We surrender our intentions to You, O God; May our desire come from You.
Officiant People	May our deeds be done in Your Name; And our hearts speak your truth.
Officiant People	Purify our bodies; Sanctify our souls.
Officiant People	May we see our transgressions; And refrain from judging others.
Officiant People	May we not stumble in pride; Help us overcome temptation.
Officiant People	May our glory be in You; And Your promises be our joy.
Celebrant	Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may receive you, wonderfully arrayed in creation and in the resplendent faces of your children. Illumine us, that we might light up the world with grace and forgiveness, and make the eyes of those around us shine with the radiance of your glory, so that this world will know peace, for the sake of your Love. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Thomas Weelkes

Hosanna to the Son of David

*Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Thou that sittest in the highest heavens, Hosanna in excelsis Deo.*

DOXOLOGY *sung to the tune Forest Green*

**With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee
To serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself in Jesus Christ thy Son,
Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

Celebrant All things come of you, O Lord.
People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A begins on page 361 of The Book of Common Prayer.

The word "Eucharist" literally means "thanksgiving."

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 God thanks and praise.**

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

Here a Proper Preface is said.

A proper preface is an addition to the Eucharistic prayer which recognizes the season or the event being celebrated on that particular day.

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:

THE SANCTUS

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

The people stand or kneel.

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:

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

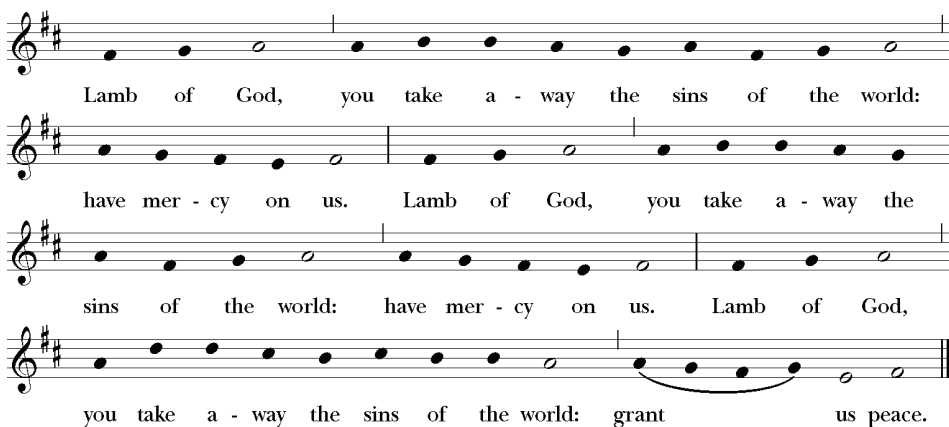
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God that who takes away the sins of the world;
People **Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb. Amen.**

At this time, all are invited to the altar rail to receive Holy Communion.

COMMUNION MOTET

Antonio Lotti

Crucifixus à 6

*Cruxifixus etiam pro nobis, sub Pontio Pilato,
passus, et sepultus est.*

*(He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate,
died, and was buried.)*

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 158

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

SENDING FORTH *Please stand*

Celebrant [Names] We send you forth bearing these gifts, so that those to whom you go, [Names], might share with us in the priesthood of Christ.

All **We who are many are One Body, because we share One Bread and One Cup. Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in the holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 168

“O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded”

DISMISSAL

The Altar Party processes out in silence. Holy Week has begun.

**Bring a bell from home to ring at the 9 am or 11:15 am
Easter Sunday services next week.**

A PRAYER FOR OUR TIMES

Almighty God, our times are in your hands, our lives are in your hands, and our common life is in your hands. Yet we are a people who are anxious and afraid. We are a people who are divided over many things—ideology, race, religion, and how to live in a pandemic. We pray that your Holy Spirit will powerfully come upon us. We pray that the winds of peace and unity will pervade our lives, our city, our nation and our world. We pray for peace in our cities. We pray for justice for those who have been wrongly accused or targeted. We pray for all who are discriminated against. We pray for wisdom as we confront hard truths. In all things, may those who are followers of Jesus be salt and light in the world, wherever we are. Help us change our communities by how we live. Make us instruments of your peace, so that the world may move quickly toward a realization of your Kingdom. Thy Kingdom come, O Lord, Thy will be done, here on earth, here and now. Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

THE ALTAR GREENS ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF
COCILIA TERESA JAGDEEN, QUINTIN CHARLES
SWEENEY, AND VIOLET SWEENEY;
BY KERRI EVERSON.

HOLY WEEK • 2022

(*) SERVICE LIVE-STREAMED on our Ascensioncast Youtube Channel.

Sunday, April 10

PALM SUNDAY | 8:00 & 10:30* AM

Monday, April 11

AGAPE MEAL | 7:00 PM IN PARISH HALL

Tuesday, April 12

STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 7:00 PM
IN THE NAVE

Wednesday, April 13

TENEBRAE | 7:00* PM

Thursday, April 14

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Eucharist/Stripping of the Altar | 7:00* PM

All-Night Prayer Vigil | BEGINS AT 8:00 PM

Friday, April 15

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE | 12* NOON

Saturday, April 16

GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER | 7:00* PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

EASTER DAY

SUNRISE SERVICE | 6:30 AM

Outdoor worship at the Ascension Labyrinth (*hill near eastside parking*).

FESTIVAL EUCHARISTS

7:30 AM • 9:00 AM* • 11:15 AM

PRAYERS

Please keep these individuals in your prayers this week:

Kathy Ambrose; Letty Anderson, Beth Harris' sister; Lanny Cope; Kathryn Crone, daughter of Mary Kathryn Crone; Sandra Emond; Doug Goode; Adel Hesse, mother of Kathy Ambrose; Kay Irwin; Leslee Lukosh; Louise McDaniel, mother of Patrick Greene; Eva Ogle; Jan Peters; Robert Stair; Colleen Webb; Carrie Cheek; Suzanne Elliott; Charles Gehres; The Ledford family; Sam McNutt; Warren Neel; Marnie Page; The Pannell family; Ned and Beth Patterson; Sue and Carl Peiers; Suellen Roehl; Pat Serio; Dalton Townsend

Please contact Lynn Aberdeen of the Daughters of the King to submit prayer requests, at 4.savvygrand@gmail.com.

ASCENSION CARES - NO ONE WALKS ALONE

Caring and compassion for fellow parishioners in need is central to our service to God and each other. All of our pastoral care ministries fall under the umbrella of the "Ascension Cares" ministry to ensure that 'No One Walks Alone' in times of spiritual or emotional crisis. This is facilitated by pastoral care leaders called shepherds. They see that the pastoral care needs in the community are met with one of Ascension's many ministries.

This list is administered by Joan Bustamante, Ellen Lovett, and Janet Slabbekorn, as well as the clergy at Ascension.

To volunteer for a caring ministry, contact The Rev. Christopher Hogin at christopher@knoxvilleascension.org

THOSE IN SERVICE THIS MORNING

Passion Readers: Glen Prosser, Jake Arning, Hannah Flanner, Tim Wheeler, Tim Jeffcoat, Louise Hargis, Porter Moffitt, Tom Hale Jr.

Altar Guild: Kathy Ambrose, Sandi Sleeman

Chancel Master: Robin Kell

Adult Acolyte: 8:00: Russ Van Patten

Acolytes: 10:30: Maddie Borth, Dick Phelps, Hazel White, Clara Winn

Junior Acolytes: 10:30: Jack Borth, Evelyn Bilbrey, Nora Bilbrey, Philip Bilbrey, Louise Groves, Ruby Groves, Theo White

Lectors: 8:00: Tom Ladd; Emily Anderson; 10:30: Frances Butler; Bettie Corey

Intercessors: 8:00: Emily Anderson; 10:30: Tim Jeffcoat

Ushers: 8:00: Ed Lester; 10:30: Brian Bosson, Jim Campbell, Francie Elrod, Bruce Fox, Monty Harris, George Hubbell, Tom Nalle

Greeters: 10:30: Sarah and Russell Stair

Children's Church: Lauren and Madison Turner, Jennifer Moffitt, Rachel Thomas

Sound: 8:00: John Threadgill; 10:30: Robby Lockett

Godly Play: Lauren Turner, Sarah Stair

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WORSHIP IN THE CELTIC TRADITION

SUNDAY, APRIL 24th, 5pm



Join us for half an hour of a quite time for reflection, lighting of individual prayer candles and music that aids in discovering God's inner peace. The service continues at 530pm for a Celtic Eucharist.

Childcare is available for birth through fifth grade.

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