

TRINITY

The Liturgy of the Palms March 29, 2026

Welcome to Trinity!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. Please consider filling out a "Walk With Us" card in the pew and put it in the offering plate so we can get in touch with you. It is a joy to welcome children to worship with us here at Trinity. There is an activity table in the front of the church with Bible based coloring pages and other activities. Children's Programming takes place every Sunday at 9:45 am in the Ogden Room. Again, welcome!

We Gather in Lincoln Hall

The Liturgy of the Palms

Welcome

The Rev. Peter Swarr

Priest: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Priest: Let us pray.

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

The Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Deacon: 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."

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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."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you O Christ.

The Blessing of The Palms

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God 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.**

Palms Are Distributed

The following is sung by all as we process from Lincoln Hall through Trinity Park and into the Forest Ave. entrance. Those who will find entering by the front stairs challenging are invited to enter the Nave (Church worship space) via the hall.

Jesus is Coming, Pave The Way With Branches

Congregation & Ukelele Ensemble



Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.



Je - sus is com - ing, Ho - sa - nah. Je - sus is com ing.



Pave the way with branch - es. Je - sus is com - ing, Ho -



sa - nah. Ho - sa - nah, Je - sus is com - ing, Ho -



sa - nah to the Prince of Peace. Ho - sa - nah,



Je - sus is com - ing, Ho - sa - nah to the Prince of Peace.

We gather at the Forest Ave. entrance and enter the Church singing the following:

The Entrance Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

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

Repeat Refrain



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

Priest: God be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

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.**

Philippians 2:5-11

Read by Rachel Guarna

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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people

***People:* Thanks be to God**

Psalm 31:9-16

Read by Rachel Guarna

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

The Passion of Matthew

Narrator	Elizabeth Young
Jesus	Bill Spear
Judas	Michael Morin
Accuser	
High Priest	Alice Moisen
Scribes	
Servant Girl 1	Marty Resotko
Peter	
Servant Girl 2	
Pilate	Susan Tully-Young
Pilate's Wife	

The Passion is presented. The congregation responds as noted at the following portion of the Passion.

Narrator: 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,

Congregation: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

Narrator: 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.

Please 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,

Congregation: "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."

Narrator: In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

Congregation: "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.'":

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"

Narrator: That is,

Jesus: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Narrator: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

Congregation: "This man is calling for Elijah."

Narrator: 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,

Congregation: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

Narrator: Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

Please observe a moment of silence.

Narrator: 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,

Congregation “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

Reflection

The Rev. Peter Swarr

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Led by Mary Dumond

The Leader and People pray responsively

Peoples responses in bold

Reconciled by God’s mercy and sustained by God’s presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

Silence

O God, you announce words of grace and truth. Give wisdom to all preachers in your church both globally and locally. Open our hearts to encounter the infinite life you offer in Jesus. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Grace Church, Bath, and St. Saviour, Bar Harbor. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

You hold the whole universe. Gather sun and moon, clouds, and stars, land and sea, and plants and animals around the cross, so that all creation bears witness to your saving love. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

Your power is sure. Destroy inequity and division in every place, and build your beloved community among all people. Guide judges, attorneys, and juries so that they act with justice and fairness. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

Your heart breaks open at our pain. Send healing and vindication to all who, like Jesus, know the sting of betrayal, denial, abuse or false accusations. Be with those experiencing pain or loss this day, especially Ralph Parady, Rose Chukwu, Maizie Argondizza, Angelika Schechter, Lee, Edna Flaherty, Jennifer Larkin, Nancy, Dickie and his family, Christina Siravo, Elizabeth, Deborah Galaneau, Kent Thurston, Brian & Nancy Plourde, Annie Garman, Toby, Luna, Maddie White, Lee Lowell, Susan, Phyllis Greene, George Clarence Frost, Lucia Leone, Nate, and all the children and staff at the Glenburnie Primary School. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

Your ways show compassion. Let this same mind be in us as we enter Holy Week. Bless those here who will lead worship and tell the story of Jesus' death and resurrection. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

God, your embrace is eternal. Praise and thanks to you for all the faithful departed who rest in your mercy. Deliver us all from death's power and raise us to life in you. This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

Leader: Please say the names of those who would benefit from our prayers. *Please add your own petitions at this time.* This is my prayer, **this is our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **Amen.**

General Confession

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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

The Absolution

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

The Peace

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you**

Announcements

Offertory Anthem

“Come to the Shadows”

Joseph Martin

Sung by The Trinity Choir

THE HOLY COMMUNION

(BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER - P. 367)

The Great Thanksgiving

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

The musical score for the Sanctus is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The first two staves are for the Cantor and All, respectively, with the lyrics "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts." The third staff is for the Cantor, with the lyrics "Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry." The fourth and fifth staves are for the All, with the lyrics "Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est." The sixth staff is for the Cantor, with the lyrics "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." The seventh staff is for the All, with the lyrics "Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est." The music is a simple, melodic setting of the Sanctus, with a clear distinction between the Cantor and All parts.

Cantor:
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

All:
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Cantor:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.

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

Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.

All:
Ho - san - na in the high - est, in the high - est.

The Priest continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death † We proclaim his resurrection † We await his coming in glory

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread and says:

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem "We Remember You"

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and consists of six staves. Each staff includes a line of music with guitar chords indicated above the notes and lyrics below. The chords are: C², Dm⁷, F/G, G, C, G/B, Am, F, FM⁷, G^{sus}, G, C², Dm⁷, F/G, G, C, G/B, Am, Dm⁷, G⁷, C^{sus}, C, F, G/F, C/E, Am, CM⁷/G, F, G, C, Am, CM⁷/G, F, G, F/A, G/B, C, G/B, Am, C/G, F/G, G⁷, C.

In bro - ken bread and the cup that we share, we re -
mem - ber you. In bro - ken bread and the
cup that we share, we re - mem - ber you.
We re - mem - ber you, Je - sus. We re -
mem - ber your love for us. We re - mem - ber the
blood you shed. We re - mem - ber you.

A Period of silence is kept.

The Invitation to the Table

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. The priest will place the host in your hands. If you would like to receive the consecrated wine, approach the Eucharistic minister who will share the chalice with you. There are two ways to receive the wine. You may sip from the silver chalice or dip in the pottery chalice. If you would rather not receive the wine, simply return to your seat. The Choir receives communion first, then all others are invited to receive as directed by the ushers beginning at the front of the church. If you would prefer to remain at your seat and receive there, the priest will come to you at the end of Communion. Please be sure to tell an usher that you would like communion brought to you.

Gluten free host is available for any who would like it. Simply tell the Priest when you come forward for communion. All are welcome and all are wanted at Trinity.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN "O Sacred Head"



1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,



1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.
3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;



1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:
3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife



1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.
3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray

People: 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 these 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.

The Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn “Were You There” (vs. 1, 2, & 4)



1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
*3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you
4 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh! _____
there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh! _____
there when they pierced him in the side? Oh! _____
there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! _____



_____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
_____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
_____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
_____ Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,



trem-ble. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
trem-ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
trem-ble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
trem-ble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to walk in the way of the Cross.

People: **Thanks be to God**

TODAY'S MINISTERS

The People of Trinity Church

Rector	The Rev. Peter Swarr
Associate Priest	The Rev. Jonathan Radtke
Minister of Music	Dr. Mary Frances Fest
Children & Youth Musician	Eileen Rose Giadone
Sunday School Crafts	Rory Nickerson
Lectors & Layreaders	Rachel Guarna Mary Dumond
Ushers	Skip Hoyt Sarah Hoyt
Livestream Ministers	Scott Marten Steve Brown Bill Green David Ferland
Flower Guild	Polly Sewall Elizabeth Young
Coffee Hour Host	Ida Connolly Pam Cleghorn
Altar Guild	Kris Lemay

PROCESSIONAL MUSICIANS

Kathleen Albert
Lynne Gammon
Jonathan Radtke
Eli Swarr
Michael Morin
Cindy McLellan

TRINITY CHOIR

Lynne Gammon
Pam Green
Bryan Lewis
Marty Resotko
Cindy McLellan
Michael Morin
Terry Quinn Tisdale
Stuart Tisdale

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, March 29	8 & 10 am Services 9:45 Children's Programming in Ogden Rm. 11:20 am Bell Ringers' Practice 5 – 8pm Renaissance Voices in Sanctuary
Monday, March 30	9-12 Monday Morning Crew 3 – 8 pm AK Music in Transept 7 – 8 pm AA in Lincoln Hall
Tuesday, March 31	5 – 8 pm PCO in Sanctuary
Wednesday, April 1	3 – 6:30 pm AK Music in Ogden Rm.
Thursday, April 2	5:30 – 7:30 pm AA in LH 7 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 3	12 pm Stations in the Street – gather in church 1 – 5:30 pm AK Music in Ogden Rm. 6 pm Good Friday Stations of the Cross 7 pm Good Friday Service 7 – 8 pm AA in Ogden Rm.
Saturday, April 4	9:30 am Mary Frances in Sanctuary