



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones,
during and following the 9:30 service.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We welcome all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Liturgy of the Palms

Prelude

Prelude on "Wondrous Love"

Gordon Young

Welcome and Introduction to the Service

Please bring your order of service to the Narthex as we gather for the blessing of the palms.

Celebrant Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord;
People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Collect

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.
People **Amen.**

Reading

Luke 19:28-40

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, "" 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."

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

Blessing over the Branches

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.**

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.**

Celebrant Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
People **Hosanna in the highest.**

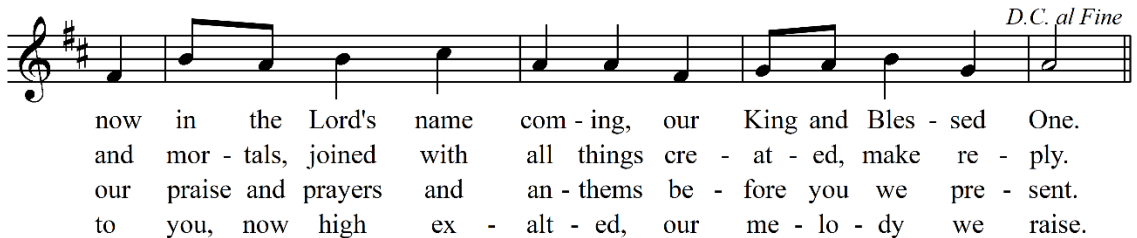
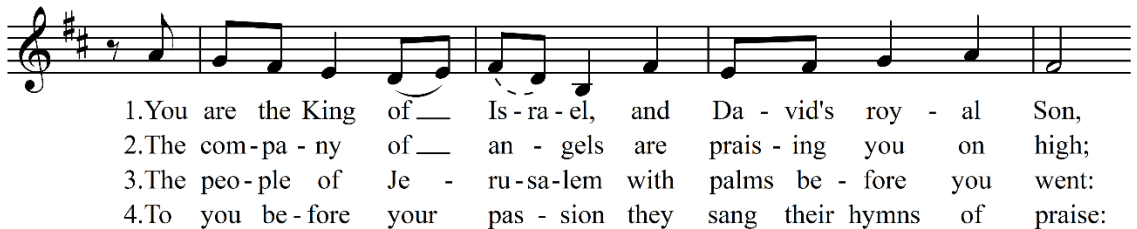
Deacon Let us go forth in peace.
People **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Procession

Hosanna in the Highest

Children ages 7-11 are invited to process out for The Peace Table, returning at the time of communion distribution.

The first refrain is sung twice.



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Collect of 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.

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

First Reading

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.

Psalm 31



Fath - er, I put my life in your hands.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge. Let me never be put to shame
In your justice, set me free; into your hands I commend my spirit.
It is you who will redeem me, Lord.

In the face of all my foes I am a reproach,
an object of scorn to my neighbors and of fear to my friends.

Those who see me in the street run far away from me.
I am like the dead, forgotten by all, like a thing thrown away.

But as for me, I trust in you, Lord; I say: "You are my God."
My life is in your hands, deliver me from the hands of those who hate me.

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your love.
Be strong, let your heart take courage, all who hope in the Lord.

Second Reading

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
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Passion According to Luke

paraphrase from *The Message*

Please remain seated.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

The first system of the musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.' written below the notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

The second system of the musical score continues the melody from the first system, with the same lyrics 'Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.' written below the notes.

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... Enough of that. No more sword talk.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

... Peter followed at a safe distance.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

... Peter went out and began to weep bitterly.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

...and sent him to Herod, who happened to be in Jerusalem at that time.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

... and handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they wished.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

... Today you will join me in Paradise.

All sing: **Jesus, remember me...**

... When he had said this, he breathed his last,

*Pause for silent prayer before the reading continues.
Kneel or remain seated as you are able.*

Prayers of the People

Please stand as you are able.

Leader God of love
 hear the cry of those who yearn for love;
 families in conflict, those who feel
 neglected, unwanted, alone.
 God of love,

All **Hear our prayer**

God of justice
hear the cry of those who yearn for justice;
persecuted and oppressed,
exploited, ill-treated, broken.
God of justice,
Hear our prayer

God of peace
hear the cry of those who yearn for peace;
in Ukraine, Gaza, Sudan, and other battle zones,
frightened, fearful, anxious.
God of peace,
Hear our prayer

God of healing
hear the cry of those who yearn for healing
of body, mind or spirit.
We pray for...
(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

God of healing,
Hear our prayer

God of mercy
Hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy;
convicted, in need of your grace,
contrite, humble, bowed down.
We pray for those who have died, especially...
(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

God of mercy,
Hear our prayer

Celebrant

O God, who embraced us with perfect love and made us your people when we were yet strangers to you: be present with all refugees, immigrants, and displaced people throughout the world; may they know the consolation of your presence, and the liberating power of your love. Then give us grace, we pray, to extend ever wider your embrace in a world of exclusion, until all your children are knit together as beloved family in the perfect love that is your very heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was displaced among us, and who now lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession

Deacon

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing.

All

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

Celebrant

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

People

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

Offertory

My Song Is Love Unknown

1. My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me;
2. He came from hea - ven's throne sal - va - tion to be - stow;
3. Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di - vine;
love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be.
the world that was his own would not its Sav - ior know.
nev - er was love, dear King! nev - er was grief like Thine.
O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail
But O my Friend, my Friend in - deed, who at my need his
This is my Friend, in Whose sweet praise I all my days could
flesh, and die?
life did spend!
glad - ly spend.

Text: Samuel Crossman Music: LOVE UNKNOWN, John Ireland

Doxology

Glo - ry be to God, Cre - a - tor, and to the In - car - nate One,
a - do - ra - tion to the Spir - it, bond of love, in God - head one!
Blest be God by all cre - a - tion while e - ter - nal a - ges run!

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The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

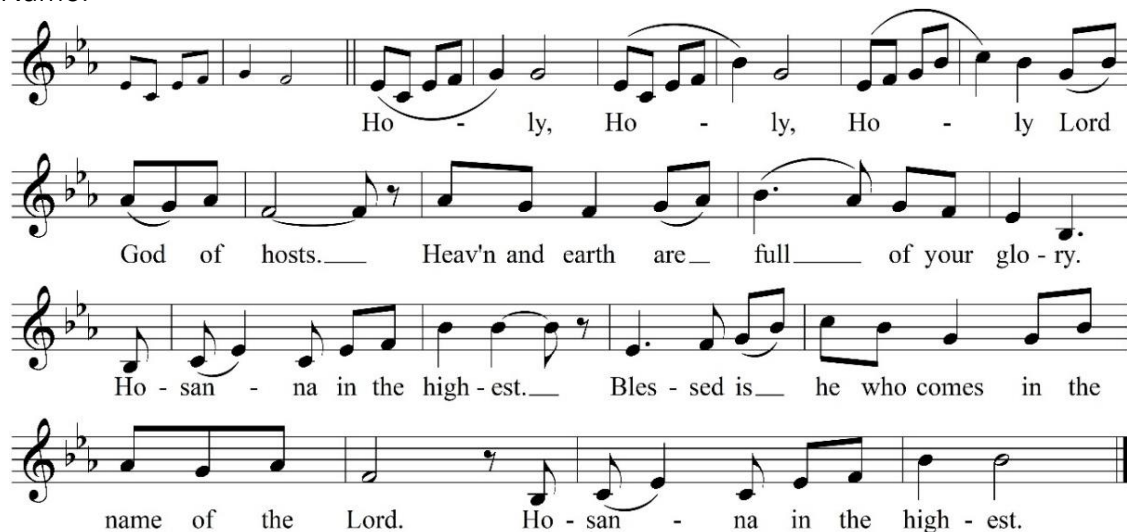
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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.

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 musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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."

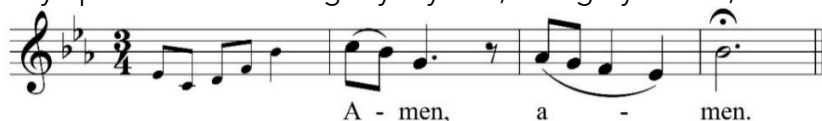
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.



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.**

The Breaking of the Bread



1,2 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Have mer-cy on us.



3 Lamb of _ God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

The Communion

We invite all people regardless of age or denomination to share in the Holy Communion at the Lord's table. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine. When receiving from the common cup, please do not intinct (dip the bread in the wine). If you wish to receive only the bread, you may remain in place at the rail, crossing your arms across your chest when the chalice bearer presents the cup, or return to your seat after receiving the bread. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you will not be receiving communion you are invited to receive a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

A prayer station is available in the All Saints' Chapel (Narthex) during the distribution of communion. Any who wish may ask for prayers for themselves or on behalf of others.

Communion Hymns

Into Your Hands, O Lord



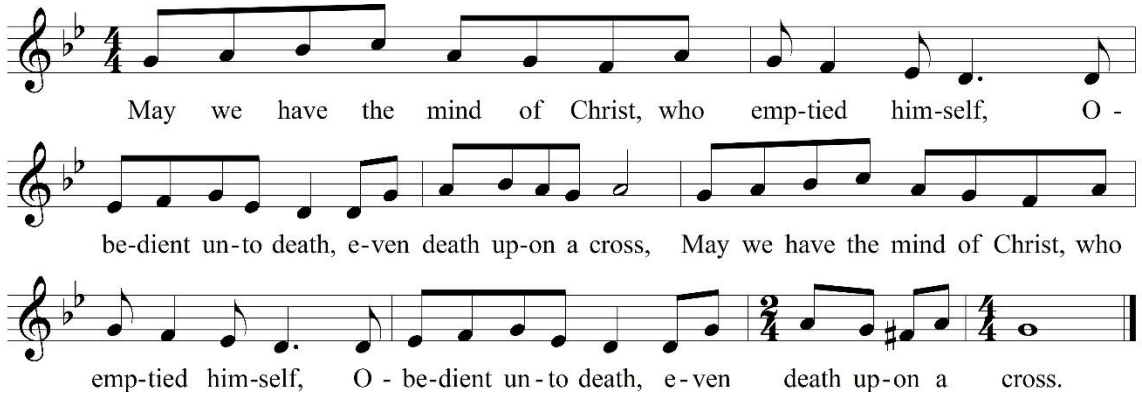
In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.



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May We Have the Mind of Christ



Though he was in the form of God,
he emptied himself, taking on the form of a slave.

And, one like us in human form,
he humbled himself, obedient unto death on a cross.

Therefore our God has raised him high,
and given to him the name that is above ev'ry name.

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Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

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 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.**

We Go into the World in God's Name

The Blessing

Celebrant

May the cross be the sign in which we begin again to undo the cords of violence, the misery of exclusion, and proclaim the love without conditions; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer, the Sustainer, be with you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Departing

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded
verses 1-4

Hymnal #168

Dismissal

Deacon

Let us bless the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please stay after the service for coffee and refreshments in the Undercroft.

Holy Week and Easter

Today: Mill City String Quartet concert at 3pm

Soprano vocalist Stacey Mastrian joins MCSQ for a lovely concert featuring a captivating blend of string quartet and voice. The program includes exquisite works by Clara Schumann, Ottorino Respighi, Arthur Shepherd, Carlos Simon, and Caroline Shaw, showcasing the diverse landscapes of classical and contemporary music. This concert is free to the public with all donations directed to support St. David's.

April 17, Maundy Thursday

Agape Meal at 6:00pm

Gather in the Undercroft for a soup supper, foot washing and Eucharist, ending the evening with the stripping of the altar and contemplative prayer.

April 18, Good Friday

Noon: Stations of the Cross in the sanctuary

Noon: *Migration and Mercy*, docent-led tour at the Minneapolis Institute of Art

7:00pm: Prayer around the Cross in the sanctuary, with choral music, veneration of the cross, and a reading of the Passion according to John.

April 19, Easter Vigil at Trinity Episcopal Church in Excelsior

8:00 pm, with Bishop Craig Loya presiding.

A light reception will follow the service.

April 20, Easter Sunday

One service at 9:30am with festive music.

Resurrection egg hunt following the service

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or check out the weekly email for announcements!



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