



The Sunday of the Passion

# Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025 | 10:00 AM

Saint Luke's Parish

Darien, Connecticut

## **Welcome!**

Whoever you are and wherever you may be on your spiritual journey, we are so glad you have joined us for worship today. May you know the presence of the living God who welcomes you here. Everything you need to participate in today's service is included in this leaflet. Ushers are available to answer any questions or direct you as needed. If this is your first time with us, we invite you to complete and return a welcome card so we can be in touch. May God bless you now and always.

## **About Today's Service**

Today's liturgy marks the beginning of Holy Week. In this Palm Sunday service we journey with Jesus as he is welcomed in triumph upon entering Jerusalem and then utterly rejected and crucified at Golgotha outside the gates of the city. Today's reading of Christ's passion sets forth the central act of God's love for humankind. We are not just observers but are part of the passion of Christ and through it we come to know the reality of God's saving action in our lives. Holy Week will culminate in the celebration of the Triduum—the Sacred Three Days of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection.

Palm Sunday: The Sunday of the Passion  
**The Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist**

*The congregation will gather outside in the front circle to begin the service.*

Rector's Welcome

Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
*People* **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. **Amen.**

The Gospel of the Triumphant Entry | Luke 19:28-40

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

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

The Blessing of the Palms

*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.**

*The people raise their palms as the Celebrant then says the following blessing.*

*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. **Amen.**

## The Procession of the Palms

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

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

*The congregation follows the donkey towards the Church. Please use all available entrances.*

## Hymn in Procession *Sung by all*

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, (marching) we are marching (Oo), we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, (marching) we are marching (Oo), we are marching in the light of God.

Text: Based on a traditional Xhosa text  
Music: Traditional South African

## The Collect at the Door

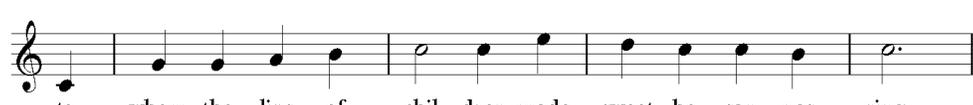
*Celebrant* Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Hymn 154 *Sung by all.*

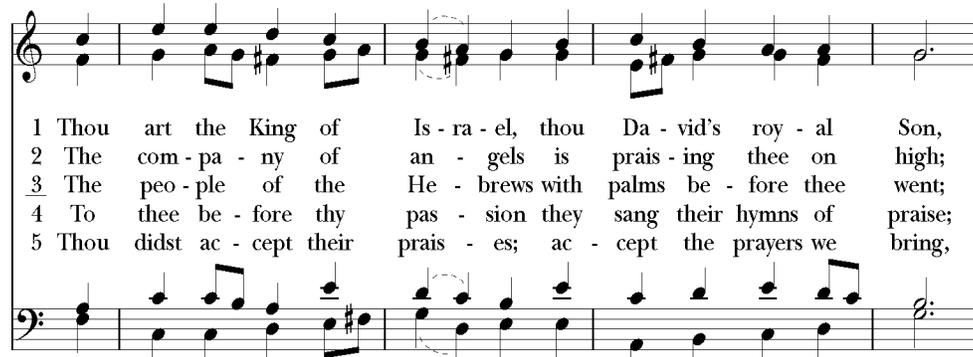
*Refrain*



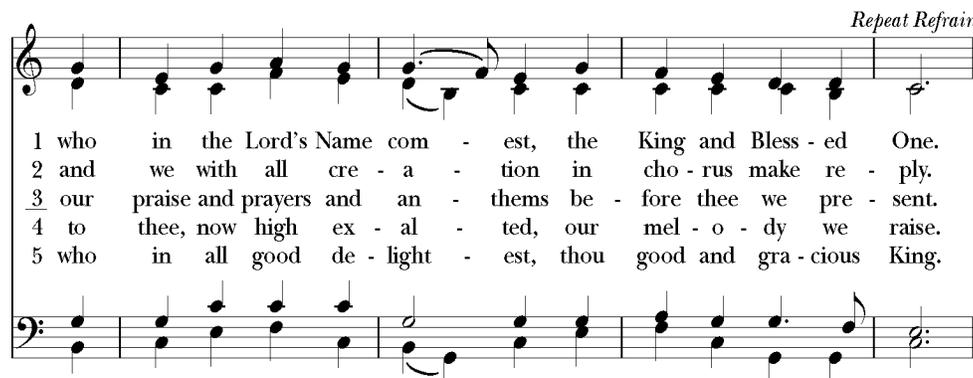
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!



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.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, 821. Trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)  
Music: Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

## The 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.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Word of God

### The First Lesson | Isaiah 50:4-9

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 31:9-16

*Sung by the Choir.*

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;  
my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief,  
and my years with sighing;  
my strength fails me because of affliction,  
and my bones are consumed.

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.

I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;  
I am as useless as a broken pot.

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.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.  
I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant,  
and in your loving-kindness save me."

Setting: James Turle (1802-1882)

## The Second Lesson | 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.

### Hymn at the Sequence

*Sung by all, standing.*

1. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark!  
 2. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In  
 3. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! The  
 4. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Thy  
 5. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In

all the tribes ho - san - na cry; thy  
 low - ly pomp ride on to die; O  
 an - gel ar - mies of the sky look  
 last and fierc - est strife is nigh; the  
 low - ly pomp ride on to die; bow

hum - ble beast pur - sues his road with  
 Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin o'er  
 down with sad and won - dering eyes to  
 Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne ex -  
 thy meek head to mor - tal pain, then

palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
 cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
 see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 pects his own a - noint - ed Son.  
 take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Text: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868)

Music: *Winchester New*, Traditional German from *Musickalisches Handbuch*, 1690

# The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke

*Please stand upon hearing, "the place that is called The Skull."*

## Musical Meditation

Jonathan De Vries, *Tenor*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Setting: Traditional spiritual

## The Prayers of the People

*The Celebrant begins*

As we journey this week with Christ and celebrate the Paschal Mystery of his death and resurrection, let us pray to God for ourselves and for the world.

*The people kneel. The Intercessor continues*

*People* Fill the Church, Christ's broken body, with your Spirit. Give to Christian people everywhere a deep longing to take up the cross and follow you. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bless those who lead the Church's worship at this solemn time. In the proclamation of the Word and celebration of the Sacraments, draw your people close to you. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Strengthen those among us who are preparing for baptism and confirmation this Easter. Teach them what it means to die and rise with Christ, and prepare them to receive the gift of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Look in mercy upon the world you made, and for which your Son came to live and die as one of us. Strengthen those who work to continue his ministry of reconciliation, peace, justice, and love. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring healing to all who are weighed down by pain and injustice. Help the lonely and the betrayed, the sick, the suffering and the dying, to find strength in the companionship of Jesus, and in his passion to know their salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Welcome into paradise all who have left this world in your friendship. According to your promises, bring them with all your saints to share in your eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes*

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 all our days, and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

*People* **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*The Clergy and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Welcome and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

*At the Offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. To make an electronic gift today, please either visit [www.saintlukesdarien.org/give](http://www.saintlukesdarien.org/give) or scan the QR code below with your smart phone's camera. Thank you for your generosity.*



## Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
-Ephesians 5:2

## Offertory Anthem

*Sung by the Saint Luke's Choristers.*

Forgive them, O my Father, They know not what they do. The Savior spoke in anguish, As sharp iron nails went through. No pained reproaches gave He To them that shed His blood, But prayer and tenderest pity Large as the love of God.	For me was that compassion, For me that tender care; I need His wide forgiveness As much as any there. O depth of sweet compassion! O love divine and true! Save Thou the souls that slight Thee, And know not what they do.
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Text: Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander in *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.  
Music: *Valet Will Ich Dir Geben*, Melchoir Teschen, 1613, arr. Katherine K. Davis

## Presentation Hymn 474

*Sung by all, standing.*



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674–1748)  
Music: *Rockingham*, from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; harm. Edward Miller (1731–1807)

## The Great Thanksgiving | Eucharistic Prayer A

*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, 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 and Benedictus** *Sung by the Choir.*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: *Communion Service in E Major*, Harold Darke (1888-1976)

*The people kneel as the Celebrant continues*

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.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **AMEN.**

*Celebrant*            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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Agnus Dei            *Sung by the Choir.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Setting: *Communion Service in E Major*, Harold Darke (1888-1976)

## The Invitation to Communion

*Celebrant*            Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him that takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion, regardless of age or denomination.  
Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please request one. If  
you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest.*

Communion Anthem    *Sung by the Choir.*

Jesus, so lowly,  
Child of the earth:  
Christen me wholly,  
Bring me new birth.

Jesus, so lonely,  
Weary and sad;  
Teach me that only  
Love maketh glad.

Jesus, so broken,  
Silent and pale;  
Be this the token,  
Love will not fail.

Jesus, victorious,  
Mighty and free;  
Teach me how glorious  
Death is to be.

Text: Edith Williams (1889-1969)  
Music: Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

Communion Hymn 439

*Sung by all.*

*Unison*

1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
 2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to  
 3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is this that  
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll

caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my  
 is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
 sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.  
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.  
 on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: American folk hymn, ca. 1835  
 Music: *Wondrous Love*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

The Postcommunion Prayer *Please kneel as you are able..*

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Let us pray.  
**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.**

Solemn Prayer over the People

*In Lent, in place of a seasonal blessing, the following solemn Prayer over the People is used.*

*Celebrant*

Bow down before the Lord.  
 Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 158

*Sung by all, standing.*

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to  
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my  
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath  
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal  
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,  
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,  
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,  
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish  
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.  
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.  
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.  
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.  
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heermann (1558–1647), tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)  
 Music: *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johann Crüger (1598-1662), alt.

Dismissal

*Deacon*  
*People*

Let us bless the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

*Please depart in silence.*

The Altar Flowers are given today to the Glory of God.

## **Participants in Today's Service**

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Hannah G. Pommersheim
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. Ryan C. Fleenor
<b>Assisting</b>	The Rev. Ansley E. Walker, The Rev. G. Hartwell Hylton, The Rev. Charles G. Martin
<b>Lectors</b>	Al Briganti, Andrea Tidrick
<b>Intercessor</b>	Caitlin Heins, Peter Wells
<b>Chalice Bearers</b>	Abby Shiner, Jane Lyons, Marjorie Neville, Peter Wells
<b>Musicians</b>	The Saint Luke's Parish Choir and Choristers David Pulliam, Oak Martin
<b>Acolytes</b>	Xander Tidrick, Crosby McMahon, Quinn Rogers, Rowan Rogers, George Davis, JJ Doody
<b>Ushers</b>	Mark Campbell, Whit Benedict, Jeff McMahon, Charlie Koons, Andrew Stewart, Chris Bolton, Ben Ruffel, Joe Steuert
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Judy Barnett, Kim Westcott, Jane Bowen, Molly Larson
<b>Flower Guild</b>	The St. Luke's Flower Guild

## About these Prayers

Saint Luke's is a community committed to prayer. Holding one another's joys, sorrows, and concerns before God in prayer is a spiritual practice at the heart of our life together. We encourage you to pray throughout the week for these members of our parish family.

We invite you to add yourself or others to the Saint Luke's prayer list by submitting a prayer request card or notifying the Parish Office at 203-655-1456 or [info@saintlukesdarien.org](mailto:info@saintlukesdarien.org).

## Pastoral Visits

Please notify us if you or a family member is hospitalized and/or in need of a pastoral call or visit. We often have no other way of knowing a visit is needed. Please email a member of the clergy or call the Parish Office.

## Sharing Holy Communion

If illness prevents you or a loved one from joining us for services, a priest or a lay eucharistic visitor can share Holy Communion with you at home or in a health care facility. Please contact the Parish Office.

## Celebrations

If you would like to ask for prayers for the celebrations in your life or in the life of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office.

## Flowers

The Flower Guild adorns the church with flowers and greens thanks to donations given in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for special occasions. The names are listed in the service bulletins. If you would like to make a gift of flowers, please contact Lynn Biggart at 203-655-3343 or [sevenbiggs@aol.com](mailto:sevenbiggs@aol.com).

## 12 Step Groups

Saint Luke's hosts multiple 12 Step Recovery and Support groups, including AA, AlAnon, Alateen, and Fabulous Women of Wednesday. Call the Parish Office for meeting times, or see our online calendar.

## Prayer List

### For the Church

**In our Anglican cycle of prayer**, we pray for The Church of England.

**In our Diocese**, we pray for St. Peter's, Milford; Trinity, Milton; St. Peter's Grace, Monroe and for Hospital chaplains, Stephen Ministers, pastoral care groups, ministries of healing, wellness programs, recovery ministries.

**In our parish cycle of prayer**, we pray for Caring Connections and their ministries.

### Those who have requested our prayers

**For members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble:** Charlie, Cody, Lauren, Anne, Foster, Joel, Nathan, Desi, Mary, Chloe, Christian, George, Joleen, Quay, Elizabeth, Jim, Michael, Debbie, Anne, Sophie, Fred, Steven, Tim and his children, Bill, Amanda, Samantha, Kerry and Gillian, Beth, Ellen, Jack, Jim, Ed, Brad, Ed, Ellen, Wendy and Charlotte, John, Kelly, Marshall, Enzo, Jackie, Ronald, Cindy.

**In our Outreach cycle of prayer**, we pray for Cuba: Santa Cruz del Norte, our partner parish in Cuba, and for the whole Diocese of Cuba.

### Those who have died

All who have died in civil and military conflict around the world, especially in the Holy Land, Sudan, and Ukraine

# Saint Luke's Parish

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### Holy Week & Easter

#### Maundy Thursday | April 17

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|--------|---|
| 8:00AM | Morning Prayer <i>in the Chapel</i>                         |
| 3:30PM | Children's Service <i>in the AYCC</i>                       |
| 7:00PM | Solemn Eucharist with Foot Washing & Stripping of the Altar |
| 8:30PM | Vigil at the Altar of Repose <i>in the Chapel</i>           |

#### Good Friday | April 18

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| 9:30 AM | Ecumenical Cross Walk                                       |
| 12:00PM | Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday with Veneration of the Cross |
| 3:30PM  | Children's Service <i>in the AYCC</i>                       |

#### Holy Saturday | April 19

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| 8:30 AM | Liturgy of the Day <i>in the Columbarium</i>  |
| 3:30 PM | Children's Easter Vigil <i>in the AYCC</i>    |
| 7:00 PM | The Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter |

#### Easter Day | April 20

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| 7:45 AM  | Holy Eucharist with Hymns                           |
| 9:15 AM  | Festal Holy Eucharist                               |
| 9:15 AM  | <i>Come As You Are</i> Eucharist <i>in the AYCC</i> |
| 11:15 AM | Festal Holy Eucharist                               |