

Welcome to Saint Mary's Episcopal Church!



Palm Sunday April 10, 2022

For 135 years, Saint Mary's has been
a Christ-centered community
with a mission to express God's love for all people.

The Liturgy of the Palms

The Community gathers downstairs in entry outside of office.

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.**

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 our 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.

The people raise their palm branches.

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.**

All process into the sanctuary.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Path the Way with Branches (Justice)

Bret Hesla

Jesus is coming, pave the way with branches.

Jesus is coming, Hosanna.

Jesus is coming, pave the way with branches.

Jesus is coming, Hosanna.

Refrain: Hosanna, Jesus is Coming. Hosanna to the prince of peace.
Hosanna, Jesus is coming. Hosanna to the prince of peace.

Black and brown Justice, pave the way with branches.

Peace for all people, Hosanna.

Love for each other, pave the way with branches.

Love for our planet, Hosanna. *Refrain*

The Word of God

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Steven Shakespeare

Celebrant Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.
People **God's mercy endures forever.**

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of the swaying palms, the stones of earth and beasts of burden bear witness to your coming; lead us from the violence of empire and the collusion of crowds to a heart of flesh, a world re-made and new song for all creation; through Jesus Christ, the Crucified God.
Amen.

The people may be seated.

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SUNG PSALM (*choir only*)

Psalm 118—*This is the Day* ©Confraternity of Christian Doctrine
Music: Michael Joncas

Please stand, as you are able.

HYMN

#154 — *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

Words: Theodulph of Orleans
tr. John Mason Neale
Music: *Valet will ich dir geben*
Melody: Melchior Teschner



GOSPEL

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 people may be seated.

SERMON

The Reverend Susan Moss

A time of silence concludes the sermon to allow space to reflect on what God might be saying to us personally.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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Lay Leader Please join together in affirming our faith.

People **You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God. You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved Your love for us in Jesus Christ, Who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God. You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship You. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A New Zealand Prayer Book

Lay Leader God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith and thanksgiving:

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and be loved.

Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as God loves us.

Sung Refrain: We open our hearts to you. (2x)

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or another trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress, and bless those who minister to them.

Sung Refrain

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation and the rich heritage of our rivers, lakes and woodlands. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations.

Sung Refrain

We pray for your church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his realm. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their works and witness in your world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

Sung Refrain

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

Sung Refrain

I invite your prayers for the special needs concerns and thanksgiving of this congregation either silently or out loud.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Lay leader Enfold all things in your compassion O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel or sit in silence.

People 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.**

ABSOLUTION

Celebrant May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ. **Amen**

Please stand, as you are able.

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people may be seated.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sarabande from Partita in A Minor
Catherine Nueschler, flute

J. S Bach

You are welcome to make an online offering by using the "contribute" button on our website, saintmarysepiscopal.org.

Please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 1, *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS

Hymnal S 129/#8

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

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out 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:

*Celebrant
& People*

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

Let us say the prayer that Jesus taught us,
we are bold to say,

*Celebrant
& People*

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant
People*

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body; for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant

For those worshiping with us virtually today, let us now say together the prayer for spiritual communion.

*Celebrant
& People*

Gracious God, You stand at the door of our hearts and knock. You wait for us and we only can let you in. We believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill us with your presence. Nourish us with your body and unite us in your blood, that we may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

COMMUNION HYMN

#9 – *Khudaya Rahem Kar*

Pakistani traditional

COMMUNION HYMN

#20 – *Welcome to the Table*

Conie Borchardt

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Steven Shakespeare

*Celebrant
& People*

Lord of this feast beyond measure and price, we thank you for meeting us in our brokenness so that none might be lost. Liberate us now to share bread with our neighbor, each receiving from the other what we need to be ourselves. Amen.

BLESSING

Steven Shakespeare

Celebrant

And now, as Holy Week begins to unfold , 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 may the blessing of God, our Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier go with us.
Amen .

RECESSIONAL HYMN

#21– *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Words: Isaac Watts
Music: Edward Miller

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

SOCIAL TIME *with masks in place in the St Mary's Room for those worshipping in-person*

BREAKOUT GROUPS *for those worshipping virtually*