



**SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**SUNDAY OF THE PASSION—PALM SUNDAY**

**HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)**

**APRIL 9, 2017—10:00 AM**

Today's worship begins with glad shouts of "Hosanna!" and moves to shouts of "Crucify him!" We journey with Jesus as he is welcomed in triumph upon entering Jerusalem and then is utterly rejected and crucified at Golgotha outside the gates of the city. We enter Holy Week today with prayers, music, and ceremonies that would be recognized by ancient pilgrims to Jerusalem walking the way of the cross.

This is not merely the story of Jerusalem two thousand years ago—it is our story, too. We have a part in this great act by which God redeems the whole of creation through Jesus Christ. Today we are part of the passion of Christ and through it we see the reality of God's saving action in our lives. Hosanna means "save us." The jarring intersection of triumph and defeat encompassed in this worship shows us that when the power of self and the powers of this world fail utterly it is in this humble, frail Jesus of Nazareth that the power of God is revealed. We shout "Hosanna," not knowing what it will bring. It brings the cross, at once a terrible death and a throne of mercy for us. We are the children whom God so loved that the only Son was sent to live and die as one of us. There is no moment of defeat, of alienation, of brokenness, or even of death itself that can keep God from us.

We depart today in silence, with this hope of love claiming us.

*(Source: Cathedral Church of Saints Peter and Paul —The National Cathedral website,  
Washington, D.C.)*

# THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

**The Liturgy of the Palms will begin in the gym, which is located on the lower level at the north end of the building.**

*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.

*People* **Amen.**

## **GOSPEL READING** Matthew 21:1-11

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."

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."

*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 him 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.

*People* **Amen.**

*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.**

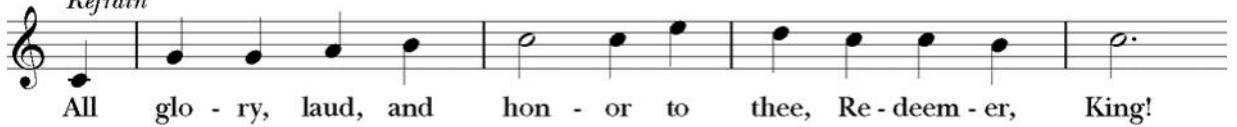
## THE PROCESSION

*Please join the procession, following the vergers and choir.*

*When the procession reaches the church, we will sing and ring the following hymn.*

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN

## Refrain



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



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.



## 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.

***People***      **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

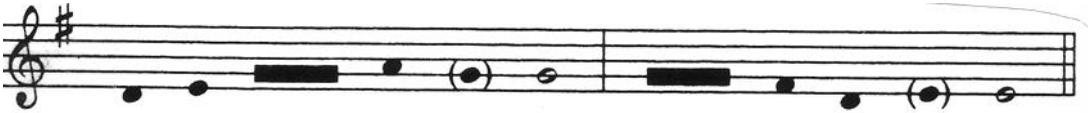
**FIRST READING**      Isaiah 50:4-9a

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*              The Word of the Lord.

***People***              **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 31: 9-16**      *sung by all*



*Cantor*      9    Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in / trouble; \*                      (*pause at \**)  
my eye is consumed with sorrow and also my throat and / my belly.

*All*                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 ac- / quaint-ance; \*  
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 a- / round; \*  
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 per- / secute me.

16    Make your face to shine upon your / servant, \*  
and in your loving-kind- / ness save me.” (*slow at end*)

**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*            The Word of the Lord.

***People***            **Thanks be to God.**

**THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

*Please be seated.*

*The clergy will change their vestments from purple to red to signify the shift from Lent into Passiontide.*

**ANTHEM**

*Lamb of God*

Benjamin Wegner

Two others, who were criminals, were also led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called Golgotha, which means The Skull...

*The congregation stands, if able.*

...others stood at a distance, watching these things.

*Please be seated when the choir returns to the choir stalls.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please stand or kneel, according to your custom.*

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Gracious God:

*All* **By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.** *(Collect for St. John's)*

## THE PEACE

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

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

*You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.*

## WELCOME

*Please be seated.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*All are invited to share at the Lord's Table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms. The common loaf is gluten-free.*

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

### ANTHEM

*Ride On!*

Graham George

*(The text may be followed at hymn #156.)*

### PRESENTATION (Hymn #707)

*sung by all, standing, if able*

HOLLINGSIDE

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## EUCCHARISTIC 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.**

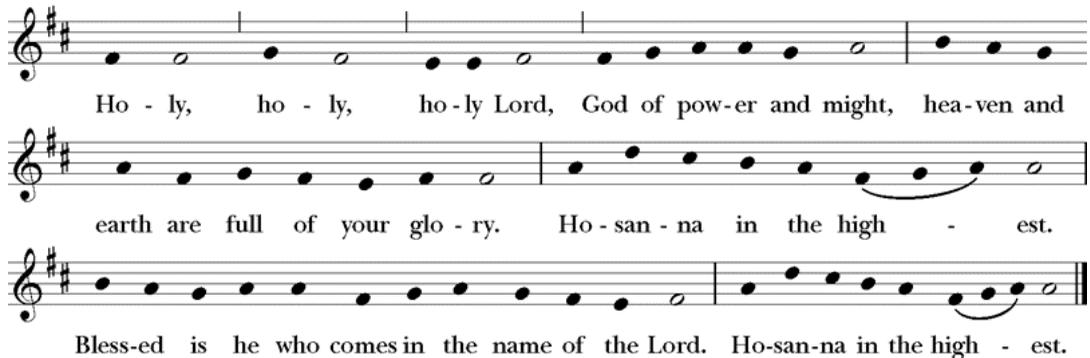
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him 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. ... 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 ET BENEDICTUS

David Hurd



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.

*Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.*

*Celebrant* 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.

*People*            **AMEN.**

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

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*(said by 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**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**AGNUS DEI**

David Hurd

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.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

TRUMPET SOLO	<i>Adagio</i>	Benedetto Marcello
HYMNAL #158	<i>Ah, Holy Jesus</i>	HERZLIEBSTER JESU
HYMNAL #458	<i>My Song is Love Unknown</i>	LOVE UNKNOWN
HYMNAL #168	<i>O Sacred Head</i>	PASSION CHORALE
HYMNAL #313	<i>Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured</i>	JESUS MEINE ZUVERSICHT

### SENDING FORTH OUR EUCHARISTIC VISITORS *(as applicable)*

*Celebrant* 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 all share one bread, one cup.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER *said by all, standing or kneeling, as is your custom*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### CHORAL RESPONSE *Adoramus Te, Christe* Theodore DuBois

Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi, quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.  
*We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee, who by thy holy cross redeemed the world.*

### SILENT RETIRING PROCESSION

### BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### VOLUNTARY *Pièce Heroïque* César Franck

*Please leave the church in silence in observance of Holy Week.*

**TODAY WE PRAY WITH**

Max, Gillian, Jim, Ginny, Nancy, Lorne, Chase, Mitch, Mae, Kathleen, Joan, Patricia, Amy, Irene, Kirby, Christopher, Jacki, Ginny, Camille, Susan, Christopher, Sydney, Sara, Sandy, Norma, Ann, and those you would add.

**ALTAR PALMS**

In celebration of the wedding anniversary of Brad & Joan McCanna.

**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE**

CELEBRANT *The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson*

ASSISTING PRIEST *The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller*

ALTAR GUILD *Terri Fishel, Caroline Krall, Nan Lightner, Phyllis Merrill,  
Elaine Sutton, Jill Thompson*

ADULT CHOIR &

HANDBELL CHOIR *Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist*

TRUMPETER *Stuart Wallace*

ACOLYTES *Charlie Docherty, Tessa Johnson, Maren Johnson, Aidan Schmidt*

READERS *Jill Thompson, Carole Selin*

PASSION READERS *Terry Dinovo, Gary Gleason, Jeff Olsen, Judy Southwick, Holly  
Stoerker*

VERGER *Joan Potter*

USHERS *Gary & Paige Hagstrom, George Kinkead, John MacBain*

GREETERS *Lea Anne Schmidt, Becky Garthofner & Jerry Woelfel*

COFFEE HOUR *Bob Baumann*

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT ST. JOHN'S

April 10	Monday	7:30 am	Morning Eucharist
April 11	Tuesday	7:30 am	Morning Eucharist
April 12	Wednesday	7:30 am	Morning Eucharist
April 13	Maundy Thursday	7:30 am	Morning Eucharist
		7 pm	Worship with foot-washing
		8 pm—7 am	Chapel Vigil with the Body of Christ
April 14	Good Friday	7:30 am	Morning Eucharist
		12 noon	Stations of the Cross
		7 pm	Worship with Veneration of the Cross
April 15	Saturday	7 pm	Great Vigil of Easter Worship
April 16	Easter Sunday	8 am	Worship
		10 am	Festal Eucharist

**Holy Week Morning Eucharist:** Come to the Chapel at 7:30 am Monday-Friday for simple morning worship and Eucharist (Good Friday will have Communion from the Reserved Sacrament) and homilies by residents of Circle of the Beloved.

***The Paschal Triduum: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil:*** *By tradition, these three days are celebrated as one continuous service. There is one bulletin that covers all three days. We commemorate the Last Supper, remember the sacrifice of our Lord's crucifixion, and wait in hope to celebrate his resurrection. Together, it is not three separate events to observe, but one continuous liturgy over three days.*

**Maundy Thursday:** Worship at 7 pm with foot washing and stripping of the altar.

The sacrament will be reserved in the aumbry in the Chapel for an overnight vigil, 8 pm to 7 am. Everyone is invited to take a turn keeping watch with the body of Christ.

**Good Friday:** Worship at 12 noon and 7 pm. The noon service will have a liturgical procession of the Stations of the Cross, followed by Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

The 7 pm service will have veneration of the Cross and Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

**The Great Vigil of Easter:** The service will be held at 7 pm. Meet in the Narthex at the beginning of the service for the lighting of the new fire and a candlelit procession through the Undercroft. The vigil of Easter is the highest liturgical service in the Christian year. Please bring bells, tambourines, and other instruments, because following the reading of our salvation history, we will all ring bells together to joyfully welcome Christ's glorious resurrection and the arrival of Easter. A celebratory reception follows in the Fireside Room.

**Easter Sunday:** Worship at 8 am and 10 am. The 10 am service will be a festal Eucharist with timpani and trumpet, accompanied by the Artaria string quartet and St. John's choirs.