



# ST. PETER'S CHURCH

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## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday + 10 April 2022

**WELCOME to St. Peter's Church.** We are glad you are here! The clergy and laity welcome all joining us for worship this morning in the Name of Christ. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to the clergy and sign our guest book and give us a chance to get to know you. Please, join us in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table. Come forward to the communion rail, stand or kneel to receive the bread in your hand. If you wish to receive only a blessing, cross your hands over your heart and the Priest will bless you.

**Mission Statement:** We are an inclusive, forward-looking Episcopal parish that seeks to grow in Christ through worship, education and fellowship, serves Christ by ministering to local and global communities and shares Christ in following His command to "Love one another as I have loved you." **Vision Statement:** Our vision at St. Peter's is to be an inclusive, vibrant Christian community honoring our Episcopal heritage by achieving excellence in worship, mission, education and fellowship.



### + Order of Service +

[Silence for prayer and preparation] [\* indicates all standing - + indicates all kneeling - \*\*indicates all sitting]

### \*The Liturgy of the Palms

[The Liturgy of the Palms takes place outside]

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord. **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

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 Lesson – Luke 19:28-40

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."

### Blessing of the Palms

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him 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.**

**Distribution of the Palms** (Blest Palms will be given to each congregant. The congregation after receiving palms, hears loud bangs on the front door of the church three times. An usher opens the door)

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

Congregation **Hosanna in the highest.**

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

Congregation **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Processional Hymn **154** All glory, laud, and honor

Valet will ich der geben

*Collect at the conclusion of the Procession* 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.**

*Clergy change stoles from purple to red to symbolize the Passion*

**+ The Service of the Word +**

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

+ Let us pray. Collect of the Day **Almighty and ever living 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.**

**\*\*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?

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

**\*Psalm 31:9–16**

<sup>9</sup> Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; \*

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

<sup>10</sup> For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \*

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

<sup>11</sup> 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.

<sup>12</sup> I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*

I am as useless as a broken pot.

<sup>13</sup> 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.

<sup>14</sup> But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. \*

I have said, "You are my God.

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand; \*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

<sup>16</sup> Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*

and in your loving-kindness save me."

**\*\*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.

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

\*Hymn **156** *Ride on! Ride on in majesty!*

The King's Majesty

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke**

Homily: *Fr. Sam*

**+ Prayers of the People +**

+ Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; for this gathering; for all ministers, especially Sam our Rector; David, our retired clergy, Joseph, our Deacon, and for all people; ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, remembering Joseph, the President of our nation; Antonio, the Secretary General of the UN, Tom, the Governor of our Commonwealth and the men and women who are serving in our armed forces. Pray for all those who struggle for freedom and justice around the world; ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake. Pray for the Clinic and outreach ministries in their work in our neighborhood. Pray for our mission work through Cristosal Foundation in Central America. Pray for those in any need or trouble. ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; remembering ***John, Pat, Peter, Joan, Vernet, Lane, Anna, Joyce, Karen, Georgette, Joseph, Leah, Mary, Dolores, John, Diana, Melissa, Peggy, Carol, Dawn, Stephanie, Sandi, Shawn, Ben, Cathy and Jenn.*** ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Albert Thornton. ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. I ask your thanksgiving for, Erin Hall, Trey Foerster, Rebecca Martz, Amy Atlee, Adam Schaefer and Desiree Hatton who celebrate birthdays this week; Ron and Georgette Druckenmiller who celebrate a wedding anniversary this week. ***Grant that they may continue to experience your love and guidance in the years to come.***

*[The celebrant adds a concluding collect]*

The Peace     The peace of the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory     *Ride On In Majesty*

Grayston Ives

Hymn 380 v. 3 ***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

#### + The Service of the Table +

**\*The Great Thanksgiving** *[The people remain standing]*

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 him thanks and praise.***

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 ***S130 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

+ 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: ***S135 Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

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. **S146 AMEN.**

Lord's Prayer ***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.***

Agnus Dei **S164** ***Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace, give us your peace.***

+The Communion of the People      Hymn **439**      *What wondrous love is this*      Wondrous Love  
   Hymn **474**      *When I survey the wondrous cross*      Rockingham

+Post Communion Prayer      Let us pray.      ***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.***

+The Blessing

Announcements

\*Hymn **149**      *Eternal Lord of love*      Old 124<sup>th</sup>

\*Dismissal

Postlude

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**Intercessions This Week - Please pray:** • **For** those who are sick, or in any other adversity, John Burkhardt, Pat Howse, Peter Fifer, Joan Grunwell, Vernet Spence-Brown, Lane Schultz, Anna Sullivan, Joyce Paster, Karen Greene, Georgette Druckenmiller, Joseph Ndungu, Leah Githua, Mary Gibbons, Dolores Queen, John Coupe IV, Diana Novi, Melissa Boukalik, Peggy Green, Carol Russell, Dawn Rhoads, Stephanie Green, Sandi Spadt, Shawn, Ben, Cathy and Jenn. • **For** the men and women who are serving in our armed forces. • **For** those with whom we give thanks, Erin Hall, Trey Foerster, Rebecca Martz, Amy Atlee, Adam Schaefer and Desiree Hatton who celebrate birthdays this week; Ron and Georgette Druckenmiller who celebrate a wedding anniversary this week.. • **For** all who have died.

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