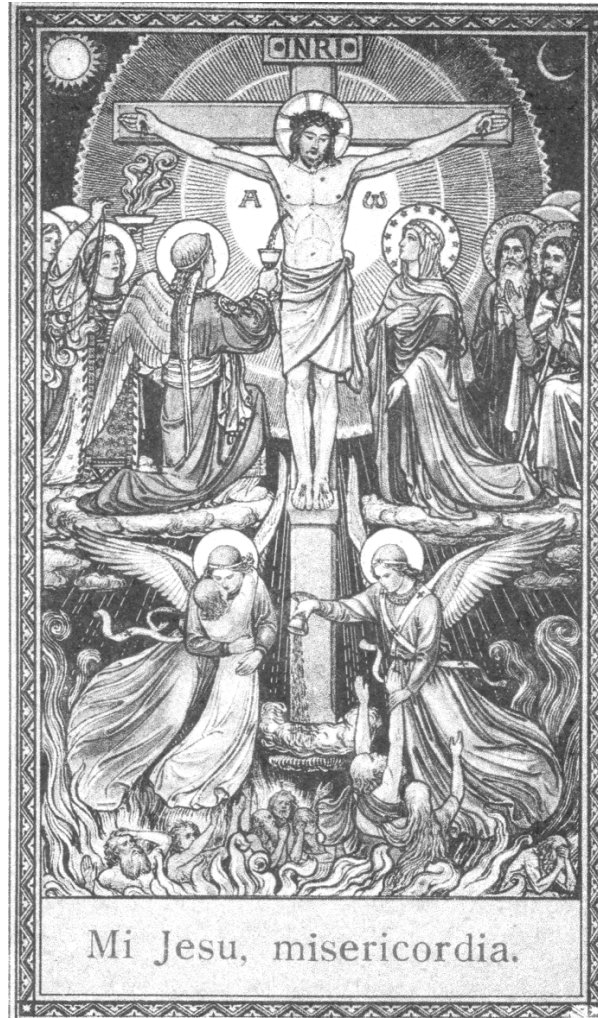




The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 29, 2026 ❖ 9:30 am



A very warm welcome! We are delighted to have you join us. This bulletin has been designed to help you worship with us. Please note that wherever it says “stand, sit, kneel” (Episcopalian Calisthenics!), such are only suggestions. We Stand to Praise; Sit to Listen; and Kneel to Ask. You are welcome to do whatever you are able or find most comfortable.

We hope you will not find our silence before the liturgy to be a lack of hospitality. We merely have a custom of keeping the silence before the liturgy as a time of preparation and talking to God. We will be very enthusiastic to talk with you and each other after the service. There’s an old adage which says, “Before liturgy, talk to God. During liturgy, let God talk to you. After liturgy, talk to each other.”

Please remember St Michael’s in your prayers and we hope you will return to worship with us again!

Today's liturgy begins in the Garden of Remembrance.

The Liturgy of the Palms

OPENING ANTHEM

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

All **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.*

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:1-11

¹When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying 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. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"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."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The 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!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

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.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of heaven and earth, who, in your tender mercy, sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all might follow the way of his humility. Grant, we pray, that these branches, signs of triumph and frailty alike, may be to us tokens of his victory, and mirrors of our own divided hearts, that we who now acclaim him with gladness, may, by your grace, stand with him in his hour of suffering, and be found faithful in his resurrection. Bless these palms, that, carried in our hands, they may also be carried in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Rector [Knocking 1] Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
All and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Rector [Knocking 2] Who is this King of glory?

All The Lord strong and mighty.

Rector [Knocking 3] Lift up your heads, O ye gates;

All Be lifted up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Doors open.

Rector Who is this King of glory?

All The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

THE PROCESSION

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.


THE PROCESSION HYMN

Hymnal 154

All glory, laud, and honor

Valet will ich dir geben


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.



The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

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.*

THE SERMON *(Please be seated.)*

The Rev. Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

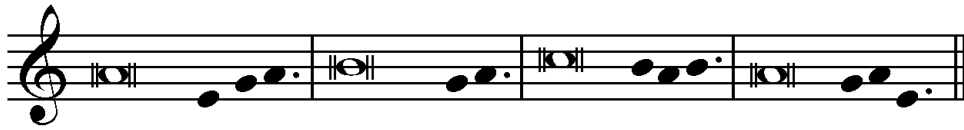
Corinne Stover

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

⁴The 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.
⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
 and I was not rebellious,
 I did not turn backward.
⁶I 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.
⁷The 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;
 ⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
 Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
 Let them confront me.
^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
 who will declare me guilty?

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

Please stand as able and join in singing.



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⁸Let me be glad and rejoice in your mercy,
 for you who have seen my affliction
 and taken heed of my soul's distress,
⁹have not left me in the hands of the enemy, but set my feet at large.

¹⁰Have mercy on me O LORD,
 for I am in distress.
 My eyes are wasted with grief,
 my soul and my body.

¹¹For my life is spent with sorrow,
 and my years with sighs.
 Affliction has broken down my strength,
 and my bones waste away.

¹²Because of all my foes
 I have become a reproach,
 an object of scorn to my neighbors
 and of fear to my friends.

Those who see me in the street
 flee from me.

¹³I am forgotten, like someone dead,
 and have become like a broken vessel.

¹⁴I have heard the slander of the crowd;
 terror all around me,
 as they plot together against me,
 as they plan to take my life.

¹⁵But as for me, I trust in you O LORD;
 I say, "You are my God.

¹⁶My lot is in your hands, deliver me from the hands of my enemies
 and those who pursue me.

THE SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11 *(Please be seated.)*

Louise Stover

Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.
⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and 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.**

Note: Please remain SEATED. For the reading of The Passion Gospel, the customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted, and the People will read the words of Jesus in unison.

THE PASSION GOSPEL: Matthew 26:14—27:66

One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, “What will you give me if I betray him to you?” They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?” He said,

People **“Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’”**

So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,

People **“Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.”**

And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, “Surely not I, Lord?” He answered,

People **“The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.”**

Judas, who betrayed him, said, “Surely not I, Rabbi?” He replied,

People **“You have said so.”**

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,

People **“Take, eat; this is my body.”**

Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,

People **“Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”**

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,

People **“You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,
 ‘I will strike the shepherd,
 the sheep of the flock will be scattered.’**

But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.”

Peter said to him, “Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.” Jesus said to him,

People **“Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.”**

Peter said to him, “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

People **“Sit here while I go over there and pray.”**

He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

People **“I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.”**

And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

People **“My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.”**

Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

People **“So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”**

Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

People **“My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.”**

Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

People **“Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”**

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.” At once he came up to Jesus and said, “Greetings, Rabbi!” and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

People **“Friend, do what you are here to do.”**

Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,

People **“Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?”**

At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

People **“Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.”**

Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, “This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.’” The high priest stood up and said, “Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?” But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, “I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.” Jesus said to him,

People **“You have said so. But I tell you,
From now on you will see the Son of Man
seated at the right hand of Power
and coming on the clouds of heaven.”**

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?” They answered, “He

deserves death.” Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying, “Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?”

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, “You also were with Jesus the Galilean.” But he denied it before all of them, saying, “I do not know what you are talking about.” When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, “This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.” Again he denied it with an oath, “I do not know the man.” After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, “Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.” Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, “I do not know the man!” At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: “Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.” But they said, “What is that to us? See to it yourself.” Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, “It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.” After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter’s field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, “And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter’s field, as the Lord commanded me.”

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus said,

People **“You say so.”**

But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?” But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?” For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.” Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” And they said, “Barabbas.” Pilate said to them, “Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” All of them said, “Let him be crucified!” Then he asked, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!”

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to

it yourselves.” Then the people as a whole answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.”

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, “You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.” In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, ‘I am God’s Son.’” The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,

People **“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?”**

that is,

People **“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”**

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “This man is calling for Elijah.” At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.” Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the

tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first." Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

THE INTERCESSIONS *(Kneel or sit as able.)*

Michele Dulson

Intercessor As we journey this week with Christ and celebrate the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection, let us earnestly pray to God for those following the way of the cross and for all people everywhere.

For all who are to be baptized; for all those preparing for Baptism and their sponsors; for the church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all bishops, priests, and deacons; for all who minister in Christ and for all the holy people of God.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the leaders of all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For justice, mercy, and peace in all the world.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who are sick, tempted, oppressed, afflicted, or in any kind of need.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the dying and the dead, and for those who mourn.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all refugees and those seeking safety in the midst of chaos; for our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For what else shall we pray?

Congregation is invited to say intentions aloud or in silence.

Priest Let us all pray together,

All **Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION *(Church of England, New Patterns for Worship)*

Celebrant God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love. We love because God loved us first. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Most merciful God,

All **we confess that we are not steady in our love, nor constant in our devotion. We cry "Hosanna," yet harbor the seeds of betrayal, we follow in procession, yet shrink from the cost of discipleship, we praise with our lips, yet deny you in our living. Like those who welcomed you with palms, and then turned away, we are both faithful and faithless, both near and far. Have mercy upon us, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Forgive us, restore us, and make of our wavering hearts a dwelling fit for your steadfast love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant God, the Father of mercies, has reconciled the world to himself through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ, not counting our trespasses against us, but sending his Holy Spirit to shed abroad his love among us. By the ministry of reconciliation entrusted by Christ to his Church, receive ✝ his pardon and peace to stand before him in his strength alone, this day and evermore. Amen.

THE PEACE *(Please stand as able.)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE *(Please stand as able.)*

Celebrant Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Hosanna to the Son of David" by David Halls

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Please stand as able and join in singing.

THE PRESENTATION VERSE

Hymnal 329

Now, my tongue, the mystery telling (vs. 6 only)

Pange lingua



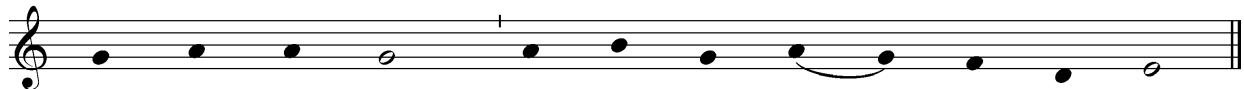
1 Now, my tongue, the mys - tery tell - ing of the glo - rious
2 Given for us, and con - de - scend - ing to be born for
3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing mid the twelve, his
4 Word made flesh, the bread he tak - eth, by his word his
*5 There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sac - ra -
*6 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing to the Fa - ther



1 Bo - dy sing, and the Blood, all price ex - cell - ing,
2 us be - low, he with us in con - verse blend - ing
3 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,
4 Flesh to be; wine his sa - cred Blood he mak - eth,
5 ment re - vere; types and sha - dows have their end - ing,
6 and the Son, hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing,



1 which the Gen - tiles' Lord and King, once on earth a -
2 dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, till he closed with
3 keeps the feast its rites de - mand; then, more pre - cious
4 though the sens - es fail to see; faith a - lone the
5 for the new - er rite is here; faith, our out - ward
6 while e - ter - nal a - ges run; ev - er too his



1 mong us dwell - ing, shed for this world's ran - som - ing.
2 won - drous end - ing his most pa - tient life of woe.
3 food sup - ply - ing, gives him - self with his own hand.
4 true heart wak - eth to be - hold the mys - ter - y.
5 sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
6 love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One.

The Eucharistic Prayer V (Scottish Liturgy 1982, rev. 2022)

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.**

Worship and praise belong to you, maker of light and darkness. Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos, brings a harvest out of sorrow and leads the exiles home.

In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled, debts forgiven and strangers made welcome.

Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters in our Father's house.

We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross, sharing the joy of his obedience, now offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal S-116

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts

Missa de Angelis

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

Lord God

of Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full

of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to thee, O

The Sanctus continues on the next page.

Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he

that com - eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for Christ in whom the world is reconciled. Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness spanned the gulf our sins had made. Through that dark struggle death was swallowed up in victory, that life and light might reign.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which the sons of Egypt died, your Chosen One, himself the First-Born, freely offered his life.

At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.

All **We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.**

Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by your Spirit's life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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, forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **Though we are many, we are One Body, because we all share in one bread.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S-159

Charles Winfred Douglas

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way
the sins of the world, have mer - cy
up - on us. O Lamb of God,
that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of
the world, grant us thy peace.

Everyone is welcome to receive Christ's Body and Blood in our Church. If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine, please cross your arms and a short blessing will be said. You are also welcome to intinct the bread into the chalice if you prefer not to drink directly from the chalice. (Though, to be honest, it is fortified with extra alcohol to kill germs. If you don't drink it the priest must, and then the announcements can get a bit entertaining after Mass.) Gluten-free wafers are also available upon request.

Congregants worshiping on Zoom, Facebook Live, or YouTube may say the following:

THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE COMMUNION MUSIC

"Thou knowest, Lord" by Henry Purcell

Please kneel or sit as able.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ,
All you have fed us with your Body and Blood, not as a triumph easily won, but as love poured out in suffering. Send us now into the world not as those who merely remember, but as those who participate, in your self-giving life. Give us courage to follow you when the road turns dark, patience to remain when others fall away, and faith to trust that beyond the cross lies the mystery of resurrection. Keep us faithful in the small obediences, and steadfast in the great trials, until we come to share fully in your eternal life, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as able.

THE BENEDICTION

Celebrant Go forth into the holy tension of this week, holding both the palm and the cross. And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, who sends, the Son, who empties himself, and the Holy Spirit, who sustains, be upon you, and remain with you, in your triumphs and in your trials, this day, and always.

All Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Announcements

Join us for Holy Week and Easter!

- **Palm Sunday**, March 29 at 9:30 am, Holy Eucharist
- **Maundy Thursday**, April 2 at 7:00 pm, Holy Eucharist with Holy Hour in the Garden of Remembrance
- **Good Friday**, April 3, Noon: Ecumenical Good Friday Liturgy
- **Holy Saturday**, April 4 at 7:00 pm, Easter Vigil with Open Baptism*
- **Easter Sunday**, April 5 at 9:30 am, featuring "Mass in D" by Otto Nicolai (1810-1849) for Soloists, Choir, and Orchestra

Volunteers Needed for Maundy Thursday Foot Washing

We are seeking volunteers to participate in the Foot Washing service for Maundy Thursday. This is a meaningful opportunity to serve our church community and commemorate this special tradition. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the sheet available on the back rail of the church. Thank you!

Little Red Wagon Update

As we reflect on the very first communion on Maundy Thursday, loaves of bread would seem a good choice to donate. However, bread spoils too quickly. Instead we are collecting from now through April crackers for Share Our Selves. You can also donate non-perishable spreads, such as peanut butter or jam. Wine would also be relevant, but not acceptable at SOS. Instead, donate bottled grape juice, or other types of bottled or canned juice not requiring refrigeration.

Open Baptism at the Easter Vigil

On Holy Saturday, April 4, St. Michael's is offering Open Baptism during our Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm. EVERYONE who wishes to be baptized is welcome to attend and be baptized during this service. Just show up a little early and speak to an usher. Spread the word!

Flowers for Easter

You are invited to sponsor this year's Easter Flowers. Please make your donation by Palm Sunday to make sure your name is included in the bulletin. Sign-up to sponsor flowers via the worship link on our website: <https://stmikescdm.org/altar-flowers>. Or use one of the envelopes in the back of the church. Suggested donation is \$35. Question? Contact: Maile Jansen at 949-644-0463.

Living Generously | Palm Sunday - Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

When Peter heard the rooster crow, he confronted the truth of his own failure – where fear overshadowed loyalty and self-protection eclipsed courage. Shame and regret are not foreign to us; we, too, can recall moments when we might have shown more compassion or offered support where we withheld it. Peter’s story stands as both mirror and reminder. Following Jesus is not a path of flawless execution but of continual return – return to love, to generosity, to grace. And Jesus does not abandon Peter, just as He does not abandon us. As we enter Holy Week, we are invited to reflect on our own moments of hesitation – not to condemn ourselves, but to hear the invitation within them: to stretch beyond what feels safe or comfortable, trusting that Christ will meet us there.

Danish National Girls’ Choir Performance

Saturday, April 11 @ 8:00 pm, Segerstrom Hall (Costa Mesa)

Join St. Michael’s Friends of Music and Choirmaster Lukas Hasler on Saturday, April 11, for an extraordinary evening of music performed by the Danish National Girls’ Choir and the Danish String Quartet. Featuring a stunning new work by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer David Lang, this collaboration between two of Denmark’s most celebrated ensembles promises to be a powerful celebration of artistry and innovation. Contact Louise Stover (lstover2316@gmail.com) with questions.

Today's Worship Team

Celebrant/Preacher	The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen
Choirmaster	Lukas Hasler
Assistant Choirmaster	Matthew Cook
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Host	Colette Spence
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Chalice	Julie Jenkins, Jackie Dodd
Acolyte	Colette Spence, Jim Palda, Stacie Tibbetts, Cathy Dunlap
Altar Guild	Cathy Dunlap
Flower Guild	Altar Guild
Ushers	Jim Headley, Mark Peterson
We Serve Coffee Team	Jill Draffin, Gail Haghjoo
Livestream Host	Ali Haghjoo

Godly Play (ages 3-11) — 9:30 am in the Yellow Room

Jesus and the Twelve. Storyteller: Elizabeth Henry & Marjie Blevins.
Contact: Marjie Blevins (blevinsmarjie@gmail.com)

Parish Prayer List

Ann	Barbara	Bonny	Carrie
Dennis and Susan	Gregg	Joni	Josephine
Laird	Lynn	Lynne	Margie
Marlo	Peggy	Richard	Ruth
Tom			

Prayer requests remain on the list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

To submit a name to the prayer list contact Beth Bianchi, Stacie Tibbetts, or The Rev'd Dr. Shane Scott-Hamblen.

Worship with us:

- **Tuesday Morning Holy Eucharist: Tuesdays at 8:30 am (in person only)**
- **Lectionary Study with Fr. Shane: Tuesdays at 10:00 am (in person and Zoom)**
Join on Zoom: <https://bit.ly/stmikessunday2023> Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532 / Passcode: cdm080100!

This Week at St. Michael's

Sunday, March 29 – Palm Sunday

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 31

7:00 pm Tuesday Night at Mike's

Thursday, April 2

8:30 am Men's Fellowship

Friday, April 3

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sunday, April 5 – Easter Sunday

feat. Mass in D by Otto Nicolai

9:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
11:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Weekly Finance Update

Sunday, March 22

Weekly Pledge Income	\$5,211
Weekly Other Income	\$3,771
Weekly Budgeted Exp	\$13,921
Net Income(Loss)	(\$4,939)

Attendance

	Sunday Worship	Children and Youth
March 1	60	4
March 8	43	4
March 15	53	2
March 22	61	2

Altar Flowers

Note: We forgo altar flowers during Lent. Easter Flower dedications are accepted through Palm Sunday.

Each Sunday, members of the congregation may sponsor altar flowers, chapel flowers, and the sanctuary light in thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life or in memory of loved ones. Call the church office at (949) 644-0463 or make your dedication via our website at <https://stmikescdm.org/altar-flowers/>.

Online Giving:

One-time gift or pledge, please scan one of these QR codes to make a secure, private donation.



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Monday	9:00 am to Noon
Tuesday	9:00 am to Noon
Wednesday	9:00 am to Noon
Thursday	9:00 am to Noon
Friday	Closed

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Anthony Agoni, *TBA*

Patricia Albers, *Music and Liturgy*

Mary Bailey, *Mission and Outreach and Girls Choir Committee*

Susan Brown, *Communications*

Steve Gribben, *Clerk of the Vestry*

Jim Headley, *Growth and Membership and Forward Planning Committee*

Elizabeth Henry, *Hospitality and Godly Play*

Jamie Mead, *Building Project and Girls Choir Committee*

Doug Neff, *Treasurer and Forward Planning Committee*

Tom Nicholson, *Building Project/Real Estate and Forward Planning Committee*

Adult Christian Education and Small Discussion Groups

Tuesday Night at Mike's

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm on Zoom

Join on Zoom: <https://bit.ly/tuesdayatmikes>
Meeting ID: 834 2976 3754 / Passcode: none
Contact: Beth Bianchi

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fridays at 10:00 am

Please join us as we knit or crochet and pray!
Contact: Julie Jenkins at 949-244-7103

Men's Fellowship

Thursdays at 8:30 am in Michael's Room

Currently reading *She Has Her Mother's Laugh*
by Carl Zimmer
Contact: Kim Montgomery

Sunday Worship Livestream

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@smaacdm/>

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/stmikessunday2023>

Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532

Passcode: cdm080100!

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