

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

April 13, 2025 at 10 am

Palm Sunday



Opening Acclamation

Priest: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord:

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Priest: 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.

Palm Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

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."

The Blessing of the Palms

Priest: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God 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.

Priest: Blessed is the one,

People: Who comes in the name of our God.

Priest: Peace in heaven,

People: and glory in the highest heaven.

Priest: Let us go forth in peace

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Entering Procession

Hymn 155

All Glory Laud And Honor

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 Collect of the Day

Priest: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: 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 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: Speak God, your servants are listening

People: **Thanks be to God**

The 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: Speak God, your servants are listening

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn *(verse 1 before the Gospel, verse 2 after)*

Hymn 169

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;



1 O king - ly head, sur-round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.



1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:



1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.

Hear the Passion of our Lord According to Luke 23:1-49

Narrator: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke. Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

Assembly: "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king."

Narrator: Then Pilate asked him,

Pilate: "Are you the king of the Jews?"

Narrator: he answered,

Jesus: "You say so."

Narrator: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Pilate: "I find no basis for an accusation against this man."

Narrator: But they were insistent and said,

Assembly: "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

Narrator: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

Pilate: "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

Narrator: Then they all shouted out together,

Assembly: "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"

Narrator: This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

Assembly: "Crucify, crucify him!"

Narrator: A third time he said to them,

Pilate: "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him."

Narrator: But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus: "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

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

(At the mention of The Skull, also known as Golgotha, please stand as you are able.)

Narrator: they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

Jesus: "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."

Narrator: And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

Assembly: "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"

Narrator: The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

Soldiers: "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

Narrator: There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

Criminal 1: "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

Narrator: But the other rebuked him, saying,

Criminal 2: "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."

Narrator: Then he said,
 Criminal 2: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
 Narrator: Jesus replied,
 Jesus: "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."
 Narrator: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
 Jesus: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."
 Narrator: Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,
 Centurion: "Certainly this man was innocent."
 Narrator: And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Sermon

The Rev. Susan Geissler-O'Neil

Prayers of the People

Clergy: In peace, we pray to you, God.
 Intercessor: For all people in their daily life and work;
People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
 Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world;
People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
 Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation;
People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
 Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
 Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek God's love.
 Intercessor: For our bishops, lay leaders and clergy.
People: For all who serve God in God's Church.
 Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Clergy Prayer

The Peace

Priest: The Peace of Christ be always with you

People: **And also with you**

Greetings, Milestones and Announcements

Offertory

Meditation

Jules Massenet Mayumi Pawel (violin) & Nancy Rude (piano)

Offertory Sentence

Great Thanksgiving

Priest: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them to the Lord**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Priest:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of life for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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 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 God, now and forever. Amen.

**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.**

Fraction

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Communion Hymn

One Bread, One Body

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And we, though
man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this
one Lord.
1.Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
2.Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3.Grain for the fields, scat-tered and
1.free, wo - man or man, no more.
2.works, one in the Lord of all.
3.grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

Post Communion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Young People's Time & Blessing

Postlude

Holy, Holy, Holy

by John Dykes

Jules Massenet Mayumi Pawel, violin
Nancy Rude, Piano

Dismissal



The Rev. Todd Bryant, Rector
The Rev. Susan Geissler-O'Neil, Associate Rector
The Rev. Maurice Turner, Assisting Priest, Emeritus
Myles Ellis, Music Director
Music – One License #400592-A, CCLI #22167520

Holy Week Schedule



**April
13**

Palm Sunday

Worship at **8am** and **10am**
10am livestream

**April
17**

Maundy Thursday

Worship with hand / foot washing and
stripping of the altar
7pm - in person & livestream

**April
18**

Good Friday

Worship - **12 pm** (in person & livestream)
& **7pm** (in person)
1pm -Stations of the Cross

**April
19**

Saturday

Holy Saturday Service (no communion) - **9am**

Easter Vigil

New fire with incense outside & bells
7pm - in person & livestream

**April
20**

Easter Sunday

Worship at **8am** and **10am**; 10am livestream
Brass Quintet at 10am worship

Easter Egg Hunt

11:15am - for children and youth

EASTER
EGG
HUNT



SUNDAY, APRIL 20
11:15 AM

WIN EXCITING PRIZES!

ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH