

March 24, 2024

11:15 a.m.



**St.
Luke's
Atlanta**

**Palm Sunday:
The Passion of our Lord**

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Welcome to St. Luke's

Our worship today is in the Episcopal tradition and centered around the Holy Eucharist (Communion).

As you participate in today's service, you may notice we use many ways of naming God in worship through expansive and inclusive language (HEIIE). This diversity of language engages our imaginations inviting a fuller picture of the Divine mystery dwelling among us.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. You are invited to participate in today's service as fully as is comfortable for you.

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Visitor Card

Nursery & Children's Chapel

Children of all ages are invited to participate in worship services at St. Luke's. Nursery care is available from 8:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for children ages 0-4.

Children's Chapel is available during this service in Wilmer Chapel. The children will exit the church during the procession and return before Communion.



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St. Luke's sanctuary and parish hall—Budd Hall—are equipped with a loop hearing system, which can help you hear our services better. If you have a T-coil hearing aid, change the input switch on your hearing aid from microphone to telecoil. Contact your hearing healthcare professional if you're unsure whether your hearing aid has a t-coil. St. Luke's also has a limited number of hearing loop receivers available. Please ask an usher if one is available.

Service Participants

Clergy

The Rev. Winnie Varghese, *Rector*

The Rev. Matt Babcock, *Vicar*

The Rev. Nicole Lambelet, *Associate Rector, Children, Youth, and Families*

Full staff listing: stlukesatlanta.org

Musicians

Matthew Brown, *Director of Music*

Ben Weaver, *Assistant Organist*

Colleen Kingston, *Associate Director, Music for Children & Youth*

St. Luke's Choir

Preparatory Choir, Junior & Senior Choristers

Lectors

Glenna Shepherd

Steve Stephens

Intercessor

Jeronia Blue

Lee Harper Dance Company

Dominique Fewell

Millie Rhodes

Laura Rossini

Elaine Wadsworth

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The Liturgy of the Palms

Introit | Anthem

Michael Bedford (b. 1950)

Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna, Jesus comes.
Riding on a donkey through the city streets,
Jesus smiles and waves to everyone he meets.

Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna, Jesus comes.
See palm, branches, waving as the people say,
“Blessed is He who comes on this triumphant day!”

The Opening Acclamation

BCP 270

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

People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Palm Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Blessing of the Palms

BCP 271

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.**

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.**

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

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

The Procession

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

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

The congregation follows the choir during the procession, all hold branches in their hands.

The Entrance Rite

In Procession | Hymn 154

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.



Celebrant

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.**

The Collect of the Day

BCP 271

Celebrant God 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.

The Word of God

All are seated.

The First Lesson

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 awakens--
awakens 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?

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

Psalm 31:9-16

Chant: Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



9 Have mercy on me, O God, for I am in / trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my / belly.

10 For my life is wasted with grief and my years with / sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are con-/ sumed.

11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my ac-/ quaintance; *
when they see me in the street they a-/ void me.

12 I am forgotten like the dead, 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 / God. *
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 / persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your / servant, *
and in your loving-kindness, / save me."

The Second Lesson

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.

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

At the Sequence | Hymn 458

Love Unknown



1. My song is love un-known, my Sav-ior's love to me, love to the love-less
2. He came from his blest throne sal-va-tion to be-stow, but men made strange, and
3. Some-times they strew his way, and his strong prais-es sing, re-sound-ing all the
4. Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to
5. They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a-way; a mur-der-er they

1. shown that they might love-ly be. O who am I that
2. none the longed-for Christ would know. But O my friend, my
3. day ho-san-nas to their King. Then "Cru-ci-fy!" is
4. run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet in-ju-ries! Yet
5. save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet stead-fast he to

1. for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
2. friend in-deed, who at my need his life did spend.
3. all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
4. they at these them-selves dis-please, and 'gainst him rise.
5. suf-fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine:
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine.
This is my friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

The Passion Gospel

The Passion According to Mark

The congregation is seated, the Passion Gospel is read in parts led by a narrator who begins by saying:

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.

NARRATOR: It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

CHIEF PRIESTS:

"Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

NARRATOR: While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open

the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

DISCIPLES: "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor."

NARRATOR: And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

JESUS: "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

NARRATOR: Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him,

DISCIPLES: "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

NARRATOR: So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

JESUS: "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

NARRATOR: So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

JESUS: "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me."

NARRATOR: They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

DISCIPLES: "Surely, not I?"

NARRATOR: He said to them,

JESUS: "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For 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."

NARRATOR: While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

JESUS: "Take; this is my body."

NARRATOR: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,

JESUS: "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I

will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

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

JESUS: "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

NARRATOR: Peter said to him,

PETER: "Even though all become deserters, I will not."

NARRATOR: Jesus said to him,

JESUS: "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

NARRATOR: But he said vehemently,

PETER: "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you."

NARRATOR: And all of them said the same.

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

JESUS: "Sit here while I pray."

NARRATOR: He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

JESUS: "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."

NARRATOR: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

JESUS: "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

NARRATOR: He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

JESUS: "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

NARRATOR: And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

JESUS: "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

NARRATOR: Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

JUDAS: "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."

NARRATOR: So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

JUDAS: "Rabbi!"

NARRATOR: and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

JESUS: "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."

NARRATOR: All of them deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

ACCUSERS: "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"

NARRATOR: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

HIGH PRIEST:

"Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"

NARRATOR: But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

HIGH PRIEST:

"Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"

NARRATOR: Jesus said,

JESUS: "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"

NARRATOR: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

HIGH PRIEST:

"Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?"

NARRATOR: All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

ACCUSERS: "Prophecy!"

NARRATOR: The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

SERVANT GIRL:

"You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."

NARRATOR: But he denied it, saying,

PETER: "I do not know or understand what you are talking about."

NARRATOR: And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

SERVANT GIRL:

"This man is one of them."

NARRATOR: But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

BYSTANDERS: "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean."

NARRATOR: But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

PETER: "I do not know this man you are talking about."

NARRATOR: At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,

JESUS: "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

NARRATOR: And he broke down and wept.]

NARRATOR: As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

PILATE: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: He answered him,

JESUS: "You say so."

NARRATOR: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

PILATE: "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

NARRATOR: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

PILATE: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

PILATE: "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR: They shouted back,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: Pilate asked them,

PILATE: "Why, what evil has he done?"

NARRATOR: But they shouted all the more,

CROWD: "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

SOLDIERS: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

NARRATOR: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

(At the mention of Golgotha, all stand as able.)

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

BYSTANDERS:

"Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

NARRATOR: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

CHIEF PRIESTS:

"He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

NARRATOR: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

JESUS: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

NARRATOR: which means,

JESUS: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

NARRATOR: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

BYSTANDERS:

"Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

NARRATOR: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

BYSTANDERS:

"Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

NARRATOR: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

CENTURION: "Truly this man was God's Son!"

NARRATOR: There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Sermon

Kate Kennedy

A period of silence is kept. Then, as able, all stand.

The Prayers of the People

Form IV, BCP 388

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially, Betsy, Jennifer, Bill, Peggy, Hunter, Jack, Larry, Bob, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Burgess, Mary, Kim, Liz, Libba, Annabeth, Nancy, Daniel, Marie, Maggie, Lula, Tim, Stephanie, Ruth; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people, in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Peace

EOW 56

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory | Anthem from MESSIAH

George Frederick Handel (1685-1759)

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in. Who is the King of glory; it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in. Who is the King of glory: even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.” —*Psalm 24:7-10*

As able, all stand. Children are invited to follow the procession and stand at the altar during Communion.

At the Presentation | Hymn 474

Rockingham

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Eucharistic Prayer A

HEIIE

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

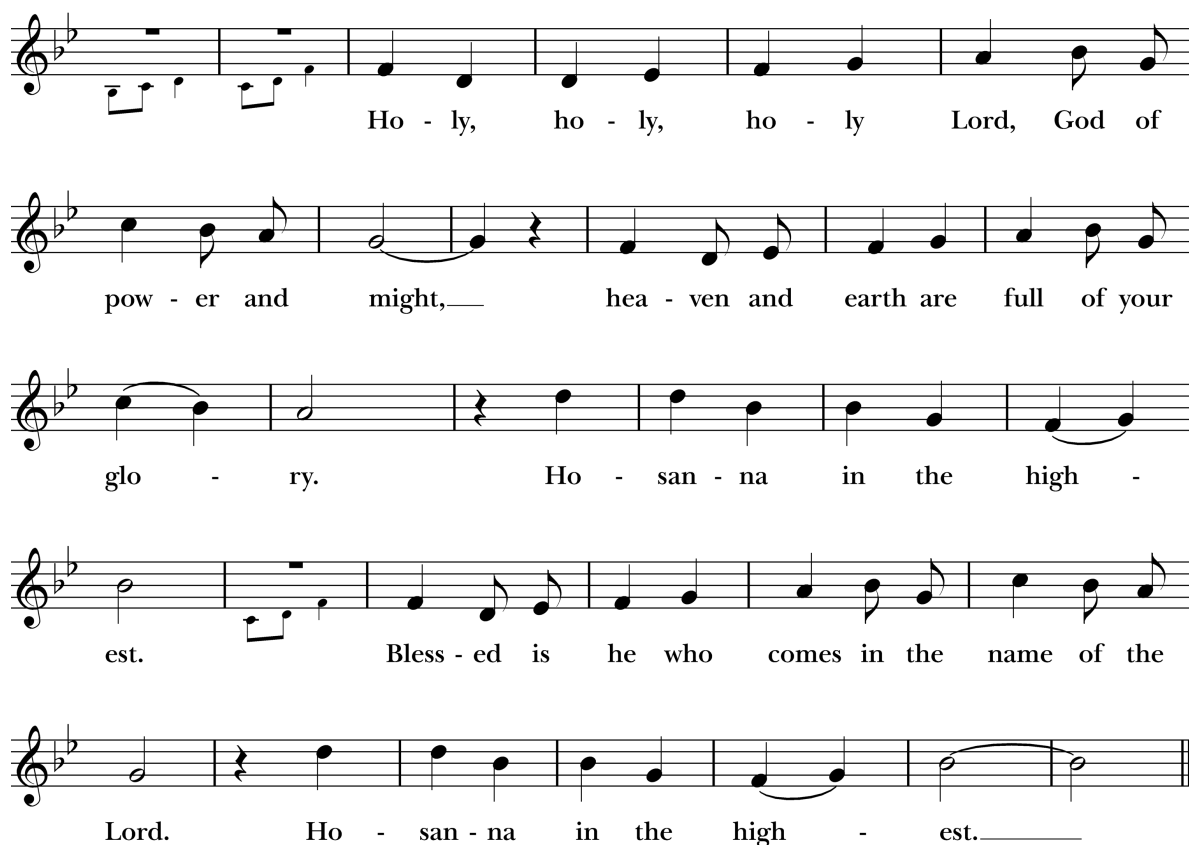
The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 eternal salvation 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus | S-127

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)



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. —

The Celebrant continues

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 and maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **Our Father, who art in heaven,**
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

EOW 69

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

The Invitation

BCP 364

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
And may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

You are welcome to receive Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward but would like to receive Communion, please inform an usher and we will bring Communion to your seat.

Music at Communion | Anthem

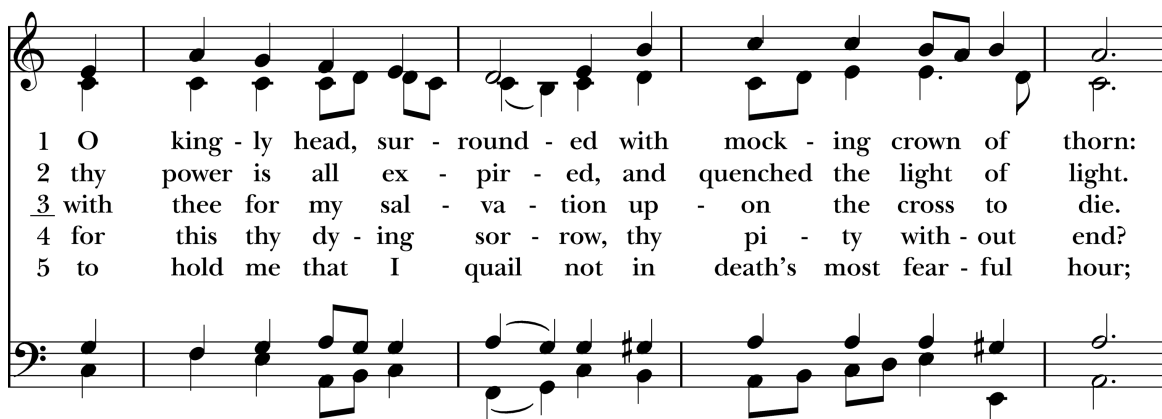
Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

Jesus, so lowly, Child of the earth:
Christen me wholly, bring me new birth.
Jesus, so lonely, weary and sad;
teach me that only love maketh glad.
Jesus, so broken, silent and pale;
be this the token love will not fail.
Jesus, victorious, mighty and free;
teach me how glorious death is to be.

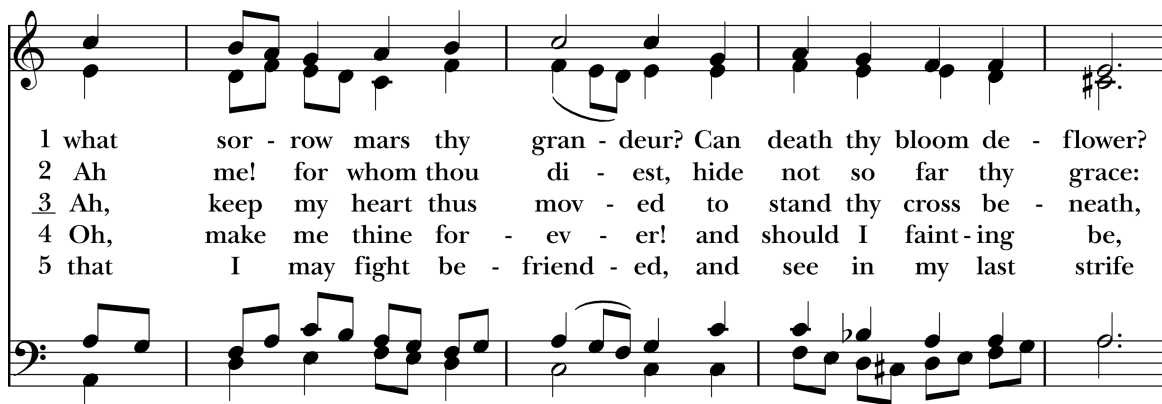
—*Edith Williams*



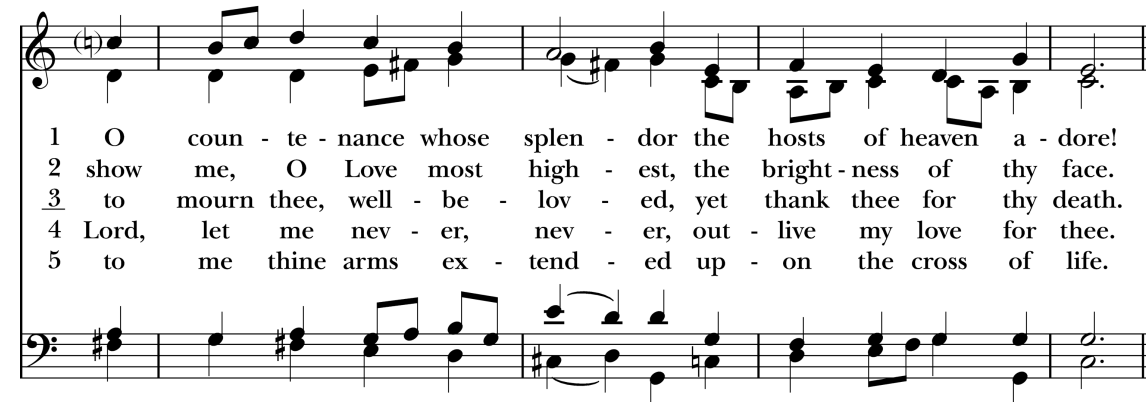
1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
 2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
 3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
 *4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
 *5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,



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.
 3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
 4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
 5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;



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:
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife



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.
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

As able, all stand.

Post-Communion Prayer

EOW 69

Celebrant Let us pray.
People 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 for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

When Communion is taken to home-bound parishioners, we send our Eucharistic Visitors with these words:

Celebrant On behalf of this congregation, I give you these holy gifts,
that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of
Christ's body and blood.
People We send you forth with the body and blood of Christ.

A Solemn Prayer

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family for whom our Lord
Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to
suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silent Procession

The People depart in silence marking the solemnity of Holy Week.

— Announcements and Opportunities —

March 24: Palm Sunday

8 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Nursery Childcare (ages 0-4)

9 a.m. Family Service with Communion

11:15 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

**In between services, you may pick up a lily to deliver to St. Luke's parishioners who may be homebound. See below for additional details.*

Today: Daughters of the King Easter Lily Delivery

The Daughters of the King (DOK) invite you to come to Budd Hall on this morning following worship to pick up a gorgeous lily and deliver it to a parishioner who may be homebound or unable to regularly attend St. Luke's. DOK will have delivery addresses separated out by zip code and you are invited to choose someone who lives near you.

April 14: One 10 a.m. Confirmation Service

On Sunday, April 14, there will be one service at 10 a.m. Bishop Robert Wright will be with us for a service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation. You are invited to a reception in the Memorial Garden following the service. At 9 a.m. on April 14, Bishop Wright will lead a forum conversation.

— Holy Week —

Holy Wednesday, March 27

7 p.m. The Office of Tenebrae: This service is an adaptation of ancient monastic liturgy, featuring the slow extinguishment of candles and chanted psalms and laments by the St. Luke's Schola.

Maundy Thursday, March 28

6 p.m. Agape Meal in Budd Hall

7 p.m. Maundy Thursday: This service includes ritual foot washing, Holy Eucharist, the stripping of the altar, and music led by the Adult Choir. Nursery care provided.

8 p.m. Night Watch Vigil begins in Wilmer Chapel.

Good Friday, March 29

Noon The Three Hours: This service invites us to sit vigil with Jesus during the hours that he is thought to have hung on the cross and features prayer, hymns, instrumental music, and reflections.

6:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross invites us to trace the final steps of Jesus with prayer and scripture.

7 p.m. Good Friday liturgy in the nave. This service will include the Passion as told by John, veneration of the cross, and music led by the St. Luke's Schola.

Saturday, March 30

10 a.m. Holy Saturday Service: This brief service of remembrance invites us to keep watch at the place of Jesus' burial.

8 p.m. The Great Vigil: This service marks the first Eucharist of Easter and will include Baptisms and music led by the Adult Choir. Incense will be used at this service.

Easter Day, March 31

Services at 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Music at the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services will be led by the Adult Choir and St. Luke's Festival Brass. Incense will be used at the 11:15 a.m. service only. Nursery care provided for 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.

10:15 a.m. Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) Easter Egg Hunt.

March 28-29: Night Watch Vigil

We will hold vigil following the Maundy Thursday service through the morning of Good Friday in Wilmer Chapel. All are invited to participate in this time for prayer, meditation, and quiet reflection of the Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ. Learn more and sign up to participate using the QR code (*right*).



March 28: Agape Meal

On Maundy Thursday, we will gather for an Agape Meal in Budd Hall at 6 p.m. St. Luke's will provide Mediterranean style proteins and salad. You are welcome, but not required, to bring a dish to share such as crudite, hummus, pita, etc.

— Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) —

April 27: A Day of Discernment and Learning

Do you feel a nudging in your heart to do or be something that you can't quite define? Do you feel a restlessness or a worry that you're not living out your deepest call? Have you always wanted to be more involved at St. Luke's but aren't quite sure where to start? Join The Rev. Winnie Varghese and Kate Kennedy on Saturday, April 27, for a day of discernment and learning. The day will be divided into two sessions. Learn more and register using the QR code (*right*).



— Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) —

Register Today! St. Luke's Vacation Bible School (VBS)

This year, St. Luke's will partner with Georgia Interfaith Power and Light to host a week-long summer camp for kids ages 4 years through 6th grade on creation care. Mark your calendar for July 15-19, and use the QR code (*right*) to register.



High School and College Seniors!

On Sunday, May 12, we will celebrate our 2024 graduates! Graduating high school seniors are invited to submit their name as they would like it printed in the bulletin, a high-resolution photo, the name of the high school they're graduating from, and one sentence about where their journey is taking them next. 2024 advanced degree graduates should submit their name as they would like to see it printed in the bulletin and the name of the institution granting their degree. Submissions are due to nicole@stlukesatlanta.org by Monday, April 15.

— Community Ministries —

March Fill the Baskets: All Saints' Refugee Ministries

This month, St. Luke's will collect items for All Saints' Refugee Ministries, an organization that partners with St. Luke's. All Saints' Refugee Ministries serves more than 60 families from the Middle East, East and Central Africa, Burma/Myanmar, Nepal, and Latin America. The organization offers tutoring support, a Swimming Buddies program, seasonal events, medical navigator services, and more. Needs include umbrellas and water bottles (new or gently used).

Donation baskets are available at the reception desk and in the Narthex on Sundays and weekdays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Beginning April 10: Ebenezer Baptist Church and St. Luke's Book Study

Beginning April 10, St. Luke's will join Ebenezer Baptist Church for our annual book study. This year, the churches will read and study Stephanie Spellers book "The Church Cracked Open: Disruption, Decline, and New Hope for Beloved Community." For six weeks, participants will gather on Zoom from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. On May 15, we will be joined by the author. Use the QR code (*right*) to register.



— MUSIC —

May 3: Fourth Annual Concert for a Cause Benefitting the Hodgson Organ Fund

Mark your calendar for Friday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. when Music at St. Luke's will host the Fourth Annual Concert for a Cause. This year's concert will feature St. Luke's Director of Music Matthew Brown, performing with the principal players of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, including Flutist Christina Smith, Trumpeter Michael Tiscione, and Harpist Elisabeth Remy Johnson. The concert will raise funds to benefit the Alston Memorial Organ, which is undergoing critical maintenance this year. Contact matthew@stlukesatlanta.org if you're interested in being a lead sponsor.