



**THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY**

**MARCH 24, 2024 - 10AM**

*As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone.*

**We ask your prayers for:** Daniel, Dan T., Abby, Anna, Earl, Anne, Tom, Bob, and Emilee.

**And for those serving** in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: John Sampson, Isaac Maze, Brandon Wood, F. David Geesler, Dylan Ferguson, Brett Griffin, Joshua Elliott, R.J. DaPrato, and Philip Pretzinger.

**See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.**

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**—The Province of West Africa.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**—Christ Church, Springfield; St. Thomas, Terrace Park; Trinity, Troy; and St. Mark's, Upper Arlington.

**The Altar Arrangements** are given to the Glory of God.

**Welcome to The Rev. Canon Michael Spencer as our Celebrant today.**

Raised in a small town in Michigan, Michael graduated from Michigan State University and then served a term in the Episcopal Service Corps in Los Angeles. Upon his return to his home state, Michael was a human resources officer at Michigan State for eight years. While serving as a lay leader in Eastern Michigan, he served on the Commission on Ministry, the diocesan youth and young adult leadership team, and has served as a deputy to General Convention since 2009. After graduation from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Michael served his curacy at St. Christopher's in Grand Blanc and also served at an ELCA parish.

During his nine-year service on the staff of the Diocese of Eastern Michigan, Michael helped launch the multi-diocesan effort known as "Flyover Church," which is an effort to recruit clergy on the coasts to consider ministry in the heartland, and he convened a team of diocesan transition ministers to revive the practice of gathering all the transition ministers in the US once a triennium to engage in collegial relationship building and professional development.

Michael and his partner David are looking forward to continuing their interests in travel, homespun culinary arts, sacred choral music (amongst lots of other music), and providing a home for four-legged companions.

**TODAY'S BULLETIN COVER - Kateryna Kuziv, "The Triumphal Entry"**

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS (*THE SERVICE BEGINS IN THE CLOISTER*)

*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.**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MARK:II:I-II

**W**hen 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.

*Deacon* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

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

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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 he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
*People* **Hosanna in the highest.**

#### THE PROCESSION

*Deacon* Let us go forth in peace;  
*People* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The Congregation will follow the cross to their seats.*

**Hymn #154**

*VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN*

*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

*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.**

*Please be seated.*

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 50:4-9A

**T**he Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens--  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

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

**THE RESPONSE: PSALM 31:9-16 (SUNG BY CHOIR)**

- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, 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 consumed.
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; \*  
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*  
I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;  
fear is all around; \*  
they put their heads together against me;  
they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. \*  
I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me."

**SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11**

**L**et the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death--  
even death on a cross.  
Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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

**GOSPEL PROCESSION HYMN #474**

*ROCKINGHAM*

**THE PASSION ACCORDING TO MARK**

*The congregation remaining 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 he 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 he 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 (Congregation):** "Crucify him!"

**Narrator:** Pilate asked them,

**Pilate:** "Why, what evil has he done?"

**Narrator:** But they shouted all the more,

**Crowd (Congregation):** "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.

## HOMILY

THE REV. CANON MICHAEL SPENCER

*All stand as they are able.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

I ask your prayers for Daniel, Dan T., Abby, Anna, Earl, Anne, Tom, Bob, and Emilee.  
 Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
 Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Lord, show us the light of your countenance,  
**and we shall be saved.**

**THE PEACE**

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

*Please remain standing as the cross processes.*

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** O VOS OMNES CROCE

*Translation:* Is it nothing unto you, ye that pass by? Behold and see, and consider, if there be any sorrow, like unto my sorrow.

**Hymn #43 (vs.4)** *THE EIGHTH TUNE*

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

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer, p. 367

The image shows two lines of musical notation. The first line is for the Celebrant and the People. The Celebrant part is on the left and the People part is on the right. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And also with you." The second line is also for the Celebrant and the People. The lyrics are: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The musical notation consists of a five-line staff with a clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes with slurs.

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

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
 Lift up your hearts.    We lift them to the Lord.



*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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

*Celebrant and People*

SANCTUS, HYMNAL #S130

*All stand or kneel as they are able.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love. . .

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION, HYMNAL #S138

*Celebrant*

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -

rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

A-men.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**, BCP, P. 364

**FRACTION ANTHEM**, HYMNAL #S161

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

**HYMN #168**

*HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN*

*All stand or kneel as they are able.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**, BCP, PG.365

**SOLEMN LENTEN PRAYER**

*Deacon*      Bow down before the Lord.

*(the people kneel)*

*The Celebrant says the Prayer*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*The People are invited to leave in silence.*

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**TENEBRAE - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 7PM**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY - MARCH 28, 7PM**

**GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29, 12:00PM**

**EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31, 10AM**

## TODAY AT ST. PAUL'S

Join us TODAY at 12:15pm in the church for a *Bach in the Subways* performance by our Music Director , Cara Geerlings, on piano and pipe organ. The concert will feature the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, and is part of an international effort to bring live classical music to the masses.

**GROW! Tonight at 5pm.** Join us for Evening Prayer, dinner, and *Being With* book discussion.

## OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Seniors with Grace** - The next gathering will be on Thursday, March 28th at 9:30am.

**Good Friday Offering** - We have been asked by our Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry to support life-giving ministries in the province of Jerusalem and the Middle East with our prayers, and with our donations to the Good Friday offering. This offering will help our siblings in Christ who are caught in the crossfire of warring factions, cannot worship God freely, and yearn not to be forgotten. If you would like to donate to the Good Friday offering today, please memo your check or put a note with your offering stating Good Friday offering. Thank you.

The next gathering of the **St. Paul's Women's Group** will take place at Eudora Brewing Company on **Tuesday, April 2, starting at 6:00pm**. All are welcome to meet for food, drinks, or both! There is no need to RSVP. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Cara Geerlings at [cara@stpauls-dayton.org](mailto:cara@stpauls-dayton.org). We hope to see you there!

**Reception Classes** - Those who desire to be received into the Episcopal Church during our May 12, 2024 visitation from the Bishop should contact Mike Miller at [m.miller3309@gmail.com](mailto:m.miller3309@gmail.com). These classes are held in the library and will be on April 14th and April 28th beginning at 4pm.

The remaining **Confirmation classes** will be April 14, and April 28, in the library at 4pm.

**Mark your calendars for a special evening at St. Paul's!** Irish Spring, Saturday, April 13th from 6pm - 10pm. Enjoy Ceili dancing and traditional Irish food in the Parish Hall. More information to follow.

**More news on the St. Paul's App and at [www.stpauls-dayton.org](http://www.stpauls-dayton.org).**

## ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence — in person, or online — with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

**Communion Instructions** - *All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please proceed to the front of the church to the kneelers. Standing or kneeling, place one palm in the other to receive the host. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Communicants who wish to receive from the Common Cup may intinct or drink directly from the Chalice. Those who would like a blessing are invited to cross their arms over their chest, and a member of the Clergy will say a blessing.*

### WORSHIP TIMES

**10:00 am** - Sung Service with Hymns  
(also available online)

**Morning Prayer:** Tuesday & Friday at 9:30 am

**GROW!** - 2nd & 4th Sunday every month at 5pm

**Office hours:** 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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