CELEBRATION OF

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Saint Paul’s Church
Gather by the River

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

March 28, 2021, at Eleven o’clock in the Morning
The Liturgy of the Palms

Organ Voluntary

Variations on “All glory, laud, and honor”

Michael Burkhardt

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.

The Reading

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.

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.

Celebrant

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.

Celebrant  Let us go forth in peace.
People  In the name of Christ.  Amen.

Hymn 154 (stanzas 1-3)  “All glory, laud, and honor”  Valet will ich der geben

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King! to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Israel, thou David’s royal Son, who went high;
2 The company of angels is praising thee on palms before thee;
3 The people of the passion they sang their hymns of praise; to bring, who
4 To thee before their praises; accept the prayers we do bring.
5 Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who

Repeat Refrain

1 in the Lord’s Name comest, the King and Blessed One.
2 we with all creation in chorus make reveal;
3 praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present;
4 thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
5 in all good delight, thou good and gracious 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.

Hymn 154 (stanzas 4-5)  “All glory, laud, and honor”  Valet will ich der geben
The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

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?

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
"He came singing love"
The Canterbury Choir

He came singing love, and he lived singing love. He died singing love. He arose in silence. For the love to go on we must make it our song: you and I be the singers. He came singing faith, and he lived singing faith. He died singing faith. He arose in silence. For the faith to go on we must make it our song: you and I be the singers. He came singing hope, and he lived singing hope. He died singing hope. He arose in silence. For the hope to go on we must make it our song: you and I be the singers. He came singing peace, and he lived singing peace. He died singing peace. He arose in silence. For the peace to go on we must make it our song: you and I be the singers.

The Epistle

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 The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Hymn 158 “Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended”  Herzliebster Jesu

The Passion Gospel Mark 14:1-15:47

The congregation remains seated until the mention of the arrival at Golgotha.

The Passion Gospel is read in parts led by a narrator.

See Passion Gospel Insert

The Sermon  The Reverend Erwin Veale
Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world.

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Frank our Bishop; for our clergy, Joe, Bill, and Erwin; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. We pray also for our Search Committee as they continue their search for our new rector. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; for Joe our President; for Brian and Henry, our governors; for the leadership of the CSRA; for all those who are serving our country, at home and abroad, especially Jonathan Flanagan, Dylan Luther, Joe Way, Andrew Solomonides, Zach Nevard, Graham Smith, Toby Watt, Trey Scott, Joe Marsh, Sylvan Walliser IV, Jim Widener, Zachary Gatheral, and Bennett Ivey; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, especially,

The prayer list is added; then the People may add their own petitions aloud or silently.

I ask your prayers for the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison: for all health care providers, first responders, essential workers, and all who offer of themselves in service to others, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

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.

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Ramzi Assad. Pray for those who have died.

I ask for your thanksgiving for Cecilia Adelina, daughter of Emily and Chris Blanco.

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.

The Concluding Collect

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, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.
The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant  Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All  Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant  Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People   And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Greetings and Notices

The Reverend Dr. Joe Bowden

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

The Offertory Anthem

Bob Chilcott

"God so loved the world"

The Saint Paul's Choir

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son that whoso believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Presentation Hymn  “We give thee but thine own”  Yattendon 46
The Great Thanksgiving

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

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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 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

Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:


All  

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer

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

All  

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 and Invitation

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

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

Fraction Anthem  S-163, by Robert Powell

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
All  Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant

The Dismissal

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

Hymn 156  “Ride on, ride on in majesty”  The King’s Majesty

Organ Voluntary  Postlude on “The King’s Majesty”  Robert Hobby  Mr. Shafer
PALMS AND PALM CROSSES

The Palms and Palm crosses are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Wilberforce Hill, Caroline Hill Walker, Martha Phillips Hill, Scott Nixon, and Lelia Purvis Kilpatrick by Mr. and Mrs. Cobbs Nixon.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

*For the special needs and concerns of this congregation*, especially, Nick Butler, David Penix, Anne Sharpton, David Painter, Joyce Haskell, Wayne Matthews, John Luther, June Shafer, Hester Bliven, Bobby Strozier, Aria Epps, Bill Adam, Margaret Lodi, Ricie Eubanks, George Sheftall, Louis Walker, Sid Shields, Bob Hill, Pete Way, Reba Mealing, Kisha Seals, Lois Hand, Alice Sanders, Norm Haglund, Daryl Kennedy, Theresa Capricci, Bernice Michaels, Marty Sullivan, Barbara Albright, Jeff Vanhook, Wayne Daley, Jackson Marshall, Beverly Courtney, Billy Courtney, Melanie Ellen, Peter Saputo, Richard Resseger, Sophie Kelly, John Abernathy, Emma and Sage Springer, Eric Snyder, Sweetie Cross, Mike Hearn, Norman Pursley, Bobby Erwin, Joan Mura, Tommy Blanchard, Lori Fassbender, Odell Allen, Jill Wickware, Martha,

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*As with the 2020 Christmas offering, this year’s Easter offering will be used to make a real difference in our community.* The Outreach Committee has selected Christ Community Health Services to be the recipient of this year’s Easter offering. CCHS is a nonprofit in Augusta that offers affordable, quality primary health and dental care to the uninsured and underserved. Their mission is “To proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and to demonstrate His love by providing affordable, quality primary health care to the underserved.” In 2019, their ministry served more than 7,600 patients. To make a gift, make your check payable to Saint Paul’s Church, designate it “Easter Offering,” and mail it to the church, or give online at saintpauls.org/giving. If you would like to make your gift in memory/honor/thanksgiving for someone, please have your offerings to the Parish Office no later than Friday, March 26.

**Compline:** *Wednesday evening, 8 PM, Zoom.* End your day in prayer with your church family. After the prayers, those who gather through Zoom have an opportunity for a brief mid-week visit. Details available on the Church-ONLINE page of our website, saintpauls.org.

**Walk the Labyrinth** — The Labyrinth will be available for self-guided walks Wednesdays during Holy Week in the Berlin Room between 9 AM and 7 PM, or by appointment. Sign-up on our website required. Printed guides will be provided in the room. Please wear or bring socks to wear after removing your shoes. Visit veriditas.org for more information about prayer and meditation with labyrinths.

**Saint Paul’s Church communicates by a weekly e-mail newsletter.** Join our email list on our website or by contacting our parish administrator, Elisabeth Price, at (706) 724-2485 or mailbox@saintpauls.org.

*If there is a pastoral need, please email or call the parish office as we will be checking for messages regularly.*

*Everything we do at Saint Paul’s Church, including today’s live-streamed service, is made possible because of people like you.* If this service has been meaningful for you, we encourage you to give as you are able to help Saint Paul’s continue our mission of welcoming, serving, and sharing the Good News of God in Jesus Christ in greater Augusta and beyond. Gifts can be made on-line at saintpauls.org/giving or by mail to Saint Paul’s Church, 605 Reynolds St., Augusta, GA 30901. Thank you for your generosity.
SERVING TODAY

The Reverend Erwin Veale
The Reverend Dr. Joe Bowden
Mary Painter
Keith Shafer
Ann Ewell, Laurie Montgomery

Celebrant and Preacher
Assisting Priest
Lector
Director of Music
Altar Guild

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week – March 29-31
Zoom 7:00 PM

Maundy Thursday – April 1
7:00 PM Facebook Live

Good Friday – April 2
12:00 noon Facebook Live

Easter Sunday – April 4
9:00 AM, Limited In-Person Worship Outside
11:00 AM, Limited In-Person Worship in the Church and Facebook Live

Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Immediately following the 9:00 AM service
**Welcome to Saint Paul's Church**

No matter who you are, no matter where you come from, and no matter where you are on the journey of life — you are welcome in this church.

We hope you will find Saint Paul’s to be a place of refreshment and renewal, where you experience the presence of the risen Christ. We have been serving Christ in this location for two hundred seventy years. The monuments in our church and the graves in our churchyard reflect the conflicts and complexities of our nation’s and our city’s history. While our building is old and beautiful, our mission is contemporary and forward moving. Here you will find a people very much connected with the questions and struggles of modern life and faith and of following the way of Jesus.

**Vestry & Officers**

Ashley Wright, Sr. Warden     Dennis Bell, Jr. Warden     Will Rice, Treasurer     Brett Montroy, Chancellor

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**Committee Chairs**

Altar Guild – Catherine Stuckey
Birthday Sundays – Melissa Friedman
Children, Youth, and Families – in transition
Daughters of the King – Suzanne Pursley-Crotteau
Eucharistic Visitors – Ellen Nesbitt
Facebook – Stacy Nuessle
History – Susan Yarborough
Interior Oversight – Minta Nixon
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers – Carolyn Dolen
Nursery Guild – Katie Gullette
Search – Kim Butler & Brad Sandbach
Ushers – Rex Teeslink

Acolytes – in transition
Buildings and Grounds – Leslie Lambert
Creation Care – in transition
Endowment & Finance – Monty Osteen
Evangelism – Barbara Coleman
Flower Guild – Pamela Dorminey-Uros
Hospitality and Parish Life – Eric Friedman
Linen Guild – Minta Nixon
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