

# *The Church of the Redeemer*



## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

MARCH 29, 2026

A Parish in The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina  
The Right Rev. Daniel P. Richards, Bishop  
The Rev. Catherine L. Tatem, Rector

*Drawing near to God to make and equip disciples  
to live as faithful followers of Christ.*

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*Weather permitting, the service will begin in the garth; otherwise, we'll gather in the transept.*



## **Liturgy of the Palms**

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 Lesson**

### **Matthew 21:1-11**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

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.**

***You may pick-up a palm branch and/or a palm cross.***

Celebrant: Blessed is he 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.*

*At the transept wall, the procession stops while the Celebrant says:*

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

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

### The Liturgy of the Palms: Processional

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*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 - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

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

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: *Valet will ich dir geben*, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.;  
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

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# Liturgy of the Word

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever living 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.**

## First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens--wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

## The Psalm

## Psalm 31:9-16

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**

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.*

### **The Passion (Booklet)**

**Matthew 26:14-27:66**

Lector: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.  
The congregation is seated.*

### **Prayers of the People Form III**

BCP 387

### **The Peace**

*Please stand.*

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

*Please be seated.*

### **Announcements**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

**Offertory** “There in God’s Garden” K. Lee Scott

**Doxology** Hymn 380, verse 3

*The people stand while the people’s gifts are brought forward.*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A** BCP 361

**Sanctus** S-125

**The Lord’s Prayer** BCP 364

**The Breaking of the Bread** BCP 364

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Celebrant: 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.

**Communion Hymn 458** “My song is love unknown”

**Postcommunion Prayer** BCP 365

**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn 168, Verses 1-3** “O sacred head, sore wounded”

**Dismissal** 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.*

**Postlude**



**We extend a warm welcome** to all who are visiting or joining us for the first time. We are glad you are here!

Please sign the Guest Book in the Lobby or fill out a yellow visitor’s card located in the back of each pew so we can reach out to you!

## **Prayers of the People**

Our parish has a faithful and strong prayer ministry. To provide an update for those on the prayer list, please contact Riley Morgan or Mother Catherine.

### **We ask your prayers for:**

Claire Allen	Prentiss Palm	Buzz & Debbie Willis
Michael Brown	Nancy Powell	Catherine Wilson
Rhonda Cuneaz	Pat Pryor	Amber
Sharon Entwistle	Wayne Roberts	Bruce
Craig & Gretchen Grounsell	Linda Robinson	Debi
Rick Grounsell	Jackie Smith	Mike
Rick Hankinson	Elyette Taylor	Deb
Jack Jackson	Bill Wagner	Robert
Aislinn Johnson	Lucille Watts	
Hank Johnson	Ellen Webb	
Paul Massengill	Bob Weinstein	
Teresa Morelli	Margaret White	

### **We give thanks and praise for:**

#### **For the repose of the soul of:**

#### **In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:**

Calvary Church, Glenn Springs; Church of the Redeemer, Greenville; The Ministry of Altar and Flower Guilds

#### **For missionaries:**

Gary Powell (Ukraine); Rachel & Alonso Silva (Chile); Casa Hogar (Mexico)

#### **For those serving in the military, especially:**

Elijah Johnson, Andrew Lupo, Chris McDowell

**For students, especially:** Caroline Phillips, John Phillips, Charlie Poe, Daniel Poe, George Poleski, Asheton Skardon, Joseph Ethan Hawkins, Shea Kennedy, Jonathon Elmore, Sophee Elmore, Raina Harwood, Emma McKeehan, Hollie Butler

*For those whose needs are known to God alone.*

	<b>THIS WEEK: MARCH 29</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK: APRIL 5</b>
<b>Verger</b>	Betty Boesch	Rick Hankinson
<b>Usher</b>	Joe McCullough	Steve Webb
<b>Crucifer</b>	Riley Hawkins	Robin Mill
<b>Lector 1</b>	Rich Simms	David Poleski
<b>Lector 2</b>	Wallace Lightsey	Wallace Lightsey
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Margie Hankinson	Ann & Sarah Meade
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Cynthia Eason	All Arrangers
<b>Counters</b>	Jane Bouton, Carol Hallman	TBD
<b>Video</b>	Bob & Jane Bouton	Rick Hankinson

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**Church Office Hours are Monday-Thursday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.**

**Mother Catherine is readily available outside of office hours.**

**Please contact her for an appointment time.**