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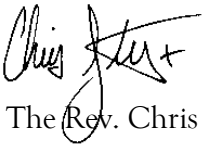
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Welcome to the first service of Holy Week 2025.

This Sunday has two names: Palm Sunday and the Sunday of the Passion. It has two gospel readings: the jubilant account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem as a hero in a parade, and the long, detailed, painful account of his arrest, trial, and crucifixion. We will sing the majestic hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" at the beginning and end with the poignant "O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded". We will open by marching in triumph, and close by processing in silence. Today's service stretches us from one emotion to another as we remember Jesus' last days.

I pray that you and I will enter into these events and reflect on what they reveal about God, Jesus Christ, human beings in general, and our own lives in particular. By entering into a reflective mode today and throughout Holy Week, we will prepare ourselves to celebrate Easter and God's gift of new life.

Blessings and peace,



The Rev. Chris Streeter

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEWTON
Palm Sunday - The Sunday of the Passion

April 13, 2025

8:00 & 10:00 am

**omitted at 8:00 am*

Our 10 am service begins in the Newton Town Square.

When the procession enters the sanctuary, our service will continue on Page 4.

The 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.**

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The Holy Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



The Blessing of the Palms

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant continues:

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 King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

*Organ

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

Gilbert Martin

*Processional Hymn #154 All Glory, Laud and Honor *Valet will ich dir 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 in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.
2. The company of angels is praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.
3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present.
4. To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious king.

*Introit

On Humble Beast Now Rides the King
Junior Choir Mason Compton, soloist

Hal Hopson

*On humble beast now rides the King
This day among the palms:
The people shout, the children sing
Their praise to Him in psalms.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He
Who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*He knows those praises soon will fade,
And there will be shouts of "Crucify!"
From lips of evil men.
Will I betray Him?
Or will I crown Him King?*

*He comes in peace and majesty,
His purpose to proclaim
In triumph now He passes by,
Hosanna to His name.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He
Who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*He reigns today to free mankind
From every sin and wrong.
Lift high your palms in praise to Him,
And sing the triumph song.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He
Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna!*

The Sunday of the Passion

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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 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?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:9-16

prayed responsively

- 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.”

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Chris Streeter

***Hymn #458 (verses 1 & 2)**

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown



The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

The Congregation may please be seated.

EVANGELIST: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

JESUS: Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

EVANGELIST: Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed,

JESUS: Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.

EVANGELIST: Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,

JESUS: Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

EVANGELIST: While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,

JESUS: Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?

EVANGELIST: When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

CONGREGATION: Lord, should we strike with the sword?

EVANGELIST: Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

JESUS: No more of this!

EVANGELIST: And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

JESUS: Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!

EVANGELIST: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,

SERVANT-GIRL: This man also was with him.

EVANGELIST: But he denied it, saying,

PETER: Woman, I do not know him.

EVANGELIST: A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

FIRST CHALLENGER: You also are one of them.

EVANGELIST: But Peter said,

PETER: Man, I am not!

EVANGELIST: Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,

SECOND CHALLENGER: Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.

EVANGELIST: But Peter said,

PETER: Man, I do not know what you are talking about!

EVANGELIST: At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly. Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

CONGREGATION: Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?

EVANGELIST: They kept heaping many other insults on him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

CONGREGATION: If you are the Messiah, tell us.

JESUS: If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.

CONGREGATION: Are you, then, the Son of God?

JESUS: You say that I am.

CONGREGATION: **What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!**

EVANGELIST: Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

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

EVANGELIST: Then Pilate asked him,

PILATE: Are you the king of the Jews?

JESUS: You say so.

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

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

EVANGELIST: But they were insistent and said,

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

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

PILATE: You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges

against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.

EVANGELIST: Then they all shouted out together,

CONGREGATION: *Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!*

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

CONGREGATION: *Crucify, crucify him!*

EVANGELIST: A third time he said to them,

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

EVANGELIST: But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

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

Please stand.

EVANGELIST: Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

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

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

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

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

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

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

FIRST CRIMINAL: Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

EVANGELIST: But the other rebuked him, saying,

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

EVANGELIST: Then he said,

SECOND CRIMINAL: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

JESUS: Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

EVANGELIST: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

JESUS: Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

EVANGELIST: Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

CENTURION: Certainly this man was innocent.

(Silence is kept for a few moments, during which some may wish to kneel.)

EVANGELIST: And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

*Hymn #458 (verse 7)

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

The Prayers of the People

Please stand or kneel.

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *A brief silence*

O God, your Son endured triumphs and terrors in his return to Jerusalem. Give endurance to your people this holy week, and help us to enter into the account of Jesus' last days.

Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

We pray for this community, the nation, and the many places of political conflict and economic suffering in the world, and for all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

We pray for those who are sick or sorrowing, including those on our prayer list, and those whose suffering is known to you alone. Bless them with your presence, comfort, and healing power, and help us to do what we can to turn their sorrow into joy.

Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

We pray for those who have died, and all whom we love, but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Hear us, O God, for your mercy is great.

Jesus, when you rode into Jerusalem the people waved palms with shouts of acclamation. Grant that when the shouting dies, we may still walk beside you, even to a cross. **Amen.**

The Confession & Absolution

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A period of silence is kept. The Congregation is invited to kneel.

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

The Peace

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



Welcome & Announcements

The Rev. Chris Streefer

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***Offertory Anthem** Those Who Are Persecuted for Righteousness Sake (from Beatitudes)
Patrick Hawes

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven
(Matthew 5:10)

*Presentation Hymn

St. Flavian

And through these days of pen - i - tence, and
A - bide with us, that so, this life of

through thy Pas - sion - tide, yea, ev - er - more, in
suf - fering o - ver - past, an Eas - ter of un -

life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Celebrant

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
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, forever
and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

*Agnus Dei (S158)

Healey Willan

Men




way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

Women




on us. O Lamb of God, that



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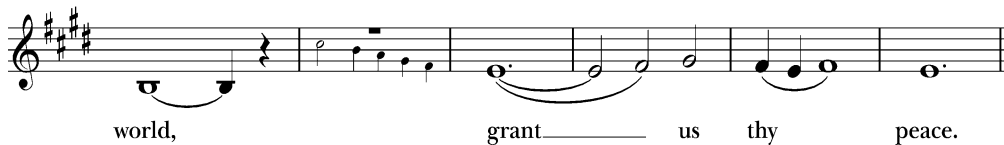
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All are welcome at God's Table.

Please come forward, at the direction of the ushers. The bread is received in the open palm. Gluten-free wafers are available by asking the priest. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the common cup by drinking (placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it). If you do not wish to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing from the priest.

***Communion** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Charles Callahan

***Communion Hymn #474** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Rockingham

Thanksgiving after Communion Please stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The 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.**

***Closing Hymn #168** O sacred head, sore wounded (*verses 1-3*) Passion Chorale

All remain standing for the silent procession.

The Dismissal

Clergy Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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Serving in God's House Today

8 am

Lector: Walter Thies

L.E.M.: Andy Van Orden

Ushers: Dan Kous

10 am

Lectors: Brad Hodgins, Patricia Taggart,

Geri Livengood

L.E.M.: Pauline Josephs

Ushers: Mike & Denises Streeter

Crucifer: Tracy Zillmer

Joining us in worship & fellowship on April 6, 2025

8:00 am: 37

10:00 am: 128

Christ Church Prayer List

For those who are ill: Fred, Georgeann, Gizelle, Frank, Emily, Bill, Kevin, Lauren, Tricia, Kathy, Chris, Patrick, Marie, Carolyne, Ryan, Lorraine, Patricia, Francis, Rick Jr., Kelly, Antonia, Albie, Daryl, Diana, Joyce, Linda, Andrew, Carol, Maureen, Carole, Walter, Arthur, Katy, Joyce, Marcianti, Mark, Pat, Elaine, Colleen, Joe, Tracy, Michelle, Maureen, Ruth, Jackie, Jane. Margaret, Derek and Michael

For those serving in the armed forces: Parker, Dean, Michael, Angel and Nicholas.

We rejoice with... Barbara Wink, Laurie Gordon, Susan Polcer, Bryan Latham, Pattiann Parker, Muriel Kelsy and all who are celebrating their birthdays this week. Also with Thomas & Erin Askin on their anniversary.



Holy Week 2025 at Christ Church

Join us throughout this most sacred week as we mark the story of Christ's death and resurrection.

Holy Monday, April 14

7 pm: Evening Prayer

Holy Tuesday, April 15

7 pm: Sung Tenebrae Service

Holy Wednesday, April 16

7 pm: Evening Prayer

Thursday, April 17
Maundy Thursday

7 pm
Holy Eucharist & The Stripping of the Altar
Our night-long Watch begins immediately following the service.

Friday, April 18
Good Friday

8 am: Mass of the Presanctified
3 pm: Ringing of the Church Bell
4 pm: Holy Week Family Service
*This new, 45-minute offering is geared especially for families and young children.
We'll begin in the sanctuary and walk to different stations to learn the story of Holy Week.*
7 pm: Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday, April 19
Holy Saturday

8 am: Holy Saturday Liturgy
7 pm: The Great Vigil of Easter
Festive Greek Dinner immediately following in Holley Hall

Sunday, April 20
The Sunday of the Resurrection

8 am & 10 am
Holy Eucharist
Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10 am service



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