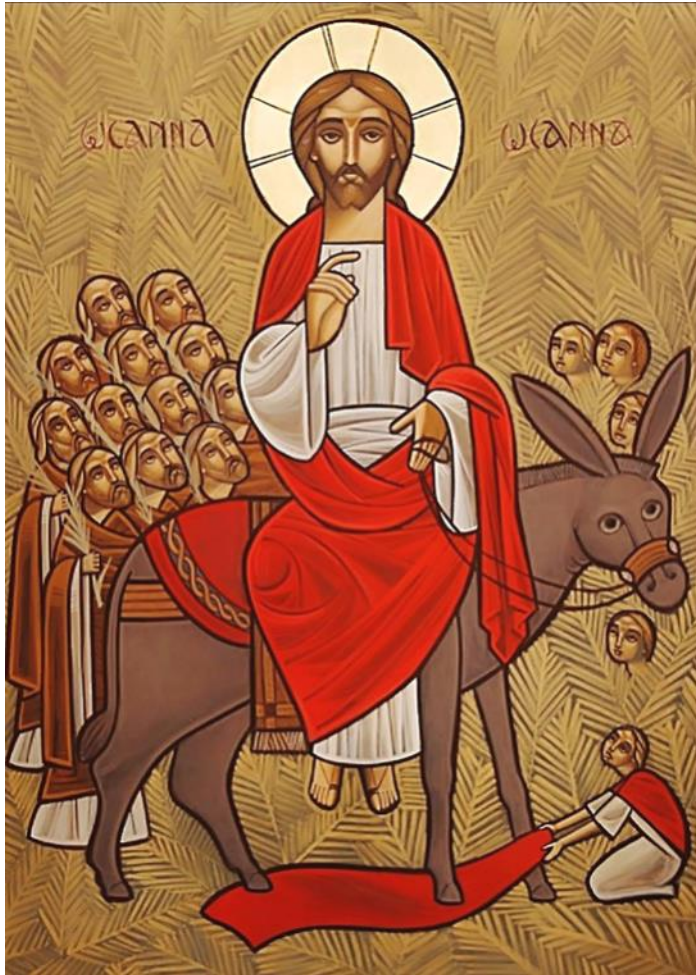


CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**SUNDAY OF THE PASSION:
PALM SUNDAY**
March 24, 2024—10:30 am

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A Note To Our Guests:

Welcome to Epiphany, we are glad to have you join us this morning as we celebrate Holy Eucharist!

Guests sometimes worry about what to do next...where to turn in the book and whether to stand, sit or kneel. From time to time you will receive page number guidance from the clergy, and you may watch to see what others do. The “BCP” page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer, the black book. The “S” numbers refer to the Service Music in the front of the blue Hymnal 1982. But we invite you into worship and just to enjoy the service. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion at the Lord’s Table. If you prefer not to receive, but wish to come forward for a blessing, please do so, crossing your arms against your chest.

We are blessed to have you with us! So, sing the hymns, join in, and celebrate the joy of our Lord’s life, death, and resurrection!

Again, welcome ...We wish you God’s peace and joy!

Faithfully,
The People of Church of the Epiphany

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Rite I)
Sunday 10:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Morning Prayer via Zoom
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

March 24, 2024

Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

Please gather in the chapel for the Palm Sunday Processional

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant Blessed is the King who cometh 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.**

John 12:12-16

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

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 cometh 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.**

PROCESSIONAL PSALM *Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29*

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
- ² Let Israel now proclaim,
“His mercy endures for ever.”
- ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ “This is the gate of the LORD;
he who is righteous may enter.”
- ²¹ I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.
- ²² The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the LORD’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ On this day the LORD has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- ²⁵ Hosannah, LORD, hosannah!
LORD, send us now success.
- ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- ²⁷ God is the LORD; he has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- ²⁸ “You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.”
- ²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.

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.**

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 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."

**All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

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.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

When Jesus Left His Father's Throne

Hymn 480

THE GOSPEL

Mark 15:1-39

Lector The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." 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, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" 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, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why,

what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Crucify him!” 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, “Hail, King of the Jews!” 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.

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, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!” In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, “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.” 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, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “Listen, he is calling for Elijah.” And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.” 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, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

Lector
People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

Fr. Stace Tafoya

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

May the Peoples Praise You

¹ You have called us out of darkest night
Into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

² May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

³ All the earth is Yours and all within
Each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You
To make Christ known

⁴ May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word

⁵ This our holy priv'lege to declare
Your praises and Your name
To every nation tribe and tongue
Your church proclaims

⁶ Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name

**May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus**

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DOXOLOGY

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

GREAT AMEN

Hymn S-147

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymn S-158

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, who always delights in showing mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Rejoice

¹ Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Sing it again we rejoice
Delight in the love He has shown us
Gratefully lift up your voice
His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in His goodness
A family of grace

² Rejoice and be anxious for nothing
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving
Lay your requests at His feet
His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ who reigns eternal
Shepherd of our lives

³ Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Tell of the good He has done
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending
We say again rejoice

With each breath

He's given praise the Lord

In these times we live in

we will praise the Lord

Throughout every season I am sure

We have every reason to praise the Lord

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Our God will go Before Us

¹ Our God will go before us
And guide us by His presence
What confidence this promise is
We will never walk alone

² Through unknown paths through shadows
Our hearts fear not tomorrow
For every step His faithfulness
Is the truth that lights our way

**Our God will go before us
The Lord of Hosts is with us
O praise the One who leads us on
For His grace will bring us home**

³ Though evil forms against us
All heaven will defend us
The gates of hell shall not prevail
For the battle is the Lord's

⁴ Now send us with Your presence
And lead us on to heaven
Where songs of sorrow strain no more
And our every breath is praise

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded

Hymn 168

News

Venezuelan Family—Epiphany will be helping out a family who has begun attending. Please contact Sarah for updated needs and details.

Mini Church Camp—Save the date for Dcn. Gary’s Mini Church Camp July 25-27. Cost is \$50 to cover the expense of food but please contact Dcn. Gary or Fr. Stace if you need assistance.

Epiphany Scholarship—Applications for the ‘24-’25 school year are due soon! Applications are available in the commons.

Youth Night—Save the date! Our next youth night will be April 20th

Holy Week Schedule of Services

Childcare will be available for all evening services!

3/28	Maundy Thursday Foot Washing	7:00pm
	Prayer Vigil in the Garden <i>sign up online or in the commons</i>	9pm-6am
3/29	Stations of the Cross	Noon
	Good Friday Service	7:00pm
3/30	Easter Vigil Service (bring your bells!)	7:00pm
3/31	Easter Sunday (no 8:00am service)	10:30am
	Potluck brunch and kids egg hunt	9:30am

	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
VOLUNTEERS	3/24	Grace-Ann	Don	Megan, Francis	
	Holy Week	**please see the Signup Genius for a complete list of Holy Week volunteers**			
	3/31 Easter		Don	Luke, Jacob, Pascal	Potluck Brunch 9:30
	4/7	Shirley	Shirley	Luke, Jacob, Pascal	
	4/14	Grace-Ann	John	Martin, Amalia, Maddie	