



# ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

radiates God's grace, equipping all people to change the world.



# PALM SUNDAY



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### Welcome to St. Gregory's

If this is your first Sunday here, we invite you to take a Welcome Card from the pew holder, fill it out and put it in the offering plate or give it to a greeter. All are truly welcome to participate in worship, and we believe our community is made stronger by your unique presence as we join in prayer and communion.

### Our Worship

In the Episcopal Church, we often say that praying shapes believing, so how we worship in word and action shapes how we believe and respond to God. We are physical creatures made in God's image, and the physical nature of our worship helps us to connect more fully to God.

Our sacred time of worship includes several different activities: singing, listening, praying, and feasting. This liturgy is enriched by the participation of everyone in the room. **All are invited to speak the bolded text aloud.** Some people choose to manifest prayers in physical ways to center their hearts and minds on God's presence in their lives and in the worship – we call these actions "manual acts," which are listed as follows throughout the bulletin:

- (+)** There are several points during the liturgy, where many people cross themselves by touching their head, chest, and each shoulder (left then right) to remind themselves that God is in their head, heart, and in all of their actions in the world.
- (+++)** At the declaration of the Gospel, many people make the sign of the cross with their thumb on their forehead, lips, and heart as the Gospel is announced. This action is a prayer asking God's word to be in our minds, our words, and in our hearts.

**Generally speaking, we stand to pray, kneel to confess, and sit to hear.** Regardless of what others are doing, how you physically worship is up to you and how you experience God. Your presence and participation is what matters.

### A Note about Palm Sunday

Since the 4th century, Christians have celebrated Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on the Sunday before Easter. Triumphant processions were a custom all over the ancient Mediterranean world, from Rome to Jerusalem. These grand processions were held for royalty, visiting dignitaries, and for victorious military leaders. They were extravagant, expensive, and designed to make ordinary people feel small in the presence of such greatness. Jesus' humble entry is almost a parody of these, while at the same time evoking ancient biblical imagery of what a true king of Israel should look like. The ordinary people improvised this procession with what was at hand: simple branches and thrown cloaks. The sincerity of their devotions puts to shame the ostentatious posturing of earthly rulers. By their hosannas, and by ours today, we also sincerely celebrate the victory of God in Jesus. And, still, we know how the story goes from here. Just as we feel victory close at hand, the story suddenly turns to betrayal, suffering, and injustice.

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## LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*Please pick up a palm before the service.*

**(+)** Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

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 Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.*

### PSALM 118

*We will read the Psalm responsively by whole verse.*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, who is good; whose mercy endures for ever.
- 2 **Let Israel now proclaim, "The mercy of the Lord 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;  
those who are 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord;  
we bless you from the house of the Lord.**
- 27 God is the Lord, who 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, who is good;  
whose mercy endures for ever.

### BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*All raise their palms for the blessing.*



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.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
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**THE PROCESSION**

*The congregation will have a triumphant procession to the nave. Once inside the building, the processional hymn will be sung as everyone finds their places inside.*

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



## THE WORD OF GOD

### COLLECT OF THE REIGN OF CHRIST

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***The people stand, as they are able. Children are invited to join the procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.***

*The second reading is usually from one of the New Testament Epistles (or letters), though occasionally from the Acts of the Apostles or the Book of Revelation. They teach us about the formation of the church and instruct us on how to live into our role as followers of Christ.*



**SEQUENCE HYMN**

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na to the King!

Ho - san - na in the high - est, let loud ho - san - nas ring!

*During the Holy Eucharist, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The deacon or priest proclaims the Gospel in the midst of the people to represent the Good News that Jesus has come among us, and we all turn toward it.*

**THE GOSPEL**

**MARK 11:1-11**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

**(+++)** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.

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

*The people sit.*

**SERMON**

*The Rev. Max Smith, deacon*

**Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you,  
 so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills,  
 that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you;  
 and then use us, we pray, as you will,  
 and always to your glory and the welfare of your people;  
 through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

*The sermon is meant to help us make the Word of God a living and transforming reality of our lives today.*



**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*The Prayers of the People are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our diocese, and those connected to our congregation. This is the part of the liturgy where it is most evident that we would be noticeably less without the contributions of each person present. We voice prayers from our parish prayer list, as well as requests from the onsite and online worshippers.*

○ Jesus, Redeemer of all creation, heal us when we are forgetful of our blessings, that with grateful hearts we may give abundance to others. *We offer prayers of joy and gratitude.* Most merciful God, **Heal us and make us whole.**

○ Jesus, Savior of the nations, heal us when we despair, when we are in agony, and when we are deprived; that with resilient hearts we may give strength to others. *We offer prayers of intercession.* Most merciful God, **Heal us and make us whole.**

○ Jesus, the Life of the world, heal us from the sting of death; that with hopeful hearts, even as we grieve, we may give hope to others. *We offer prayers for the dead.* Most merciful God, **Heal us and make us whole.**

**The Presider offers the concluding collect.**

○ Jesus Christ, as we prepare to walk with you in the way of your suffering, give us confidence in the healing of your resurrection, that with you we may be raised for ever to new life in God, who, with the Holy Spirit, you live and reign now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

*The Peace has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.*

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

**The congregation greets each other in the peace of Christ.**

**The people sit.**

**PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*"Lift Up Your Heads"  
text from Psalm 24, music by Leo Nestor*

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates! And be lifted up, ye everlasting doors!  
Now let the King, the King of glory come in.  
Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord? And who may stand in his holy place?  
Those with clean hands! Those with pure hearts!  
They shall receive a blessing from the Lord,  
and a just reward from the God of their salvation.  
This is the generation of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.  
Lift up your heads, O ye gates! And be lifted up, ye everlasting doors!  
Now let the King, the King of glory come in.  
Who is this King of glory? The Lord of Hosts! He is the King of Glory!*

*The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to the Lord as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are. You can use this QR code to give to StGs online.*





# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people stand, as they are able.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the  
 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
 Re - deem - er, come, we o - pen wide our hearts to  
 King of glo - ry waits; the King of Kings is  
 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
 You; here, Lord, a - bide: your in - ner pres - ence  
 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here!  
 heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer, and love, and joy.  
 let us feel; Your grace and love in us re - veal.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *All* And al - so with you.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *All* We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*All* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

*The Eucharist, or Communion, is the act of offering, breaking bread, and sharing in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It also reminds us that we are Christ's body in our world today. As Episcopalians, the Eucharist is the principal act of worship, in which we always have a full proclamation of the heart of the Gospel. Celebrating Eucharist is something we do together, so we all take part in the prayers.*





The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.

**SANCTUS**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all. Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. (+) 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

**A - MEN.**

The Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer that is in all capital letters. It emphasizes that we all join together in asking Jesus to be present in the bread and wine, in boldly affirming our desire to receive God. It is appropriate to sing this with enthusiasm!



*The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Fraction recalls Jesus breaking the bread at the Last Supper to share with the disciples, and reminds us that Jesus' body was broken on the cross for us to be shared with the world. Therefore we keep a moment of silence for prayers of awe and gratitude.*

**The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.**

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us,  
there - fore let us keep the feast.

**RECEIVING COMMUNION**

**General:** Please join the line to receive Communion. When you get to the front, hold out your hands to receive bread. Then step to either side to receive wine or juice in an individual cup.

**Gluten-free option:** Please ask for a gluten-free wafer from the priest when you come forward.

**Non-alcoholic option:** Please ask for juice from the minister holding the tray of cups. You also have the option to take only the bread to receive Communion.

**Not receiving:** If you will not be receiving Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please join the line and cross your arms over your chest when you get to the front.

**For those worshipping remotely, you may read the Prayer for Spiritual Communion:** In union, gracious God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, O Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na to the King!  
Ho - san - na in the high - est, let loud ho - san - nas ring!



**COMMUNION ANTHEM**

*"Ride On, King Jesus"  
African-American spiritual, arr. Hall Johnson*

*Ride on, King Jesus! No man can a-hinder me!  
For he is King of kings, he is Lord of lords,  
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no man works like him.  
King Jesus rides a milk-white horse, no man works like him.  
The river of Jordan he did frost, no man works like him.  
King Jesus rides in the middle of the air, oh - he calls his saints from everywhere, oh -  
Ride on, King Jesus! No man can a-hinder me!  
He is the King, he is the Lord - Jesus Christ, the first and last, no man works like him!  
Ride on, Jesus!*

*At this point in the service, we begin to turn our focus from Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his journey toward Golgotha. If it feels like an abrupt shift – that's because it is. These events in Jesus' life took place not over weeks or months, but in the space of only a few days. We cease the joyful waving of our palm fronds and set them aside to mark what is to come. If you would like, take your palms home and use the instructions on page 12 of the bulletin to fold them into a cross as a reminder that in these events, victory and suffering are joined together.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Ride on! Ride on in ma - jes - ty!

Hark! All the tribes ho - san - na cry;  
In low - ly pomp ride on to die;  
The an - gel ar - mies of the sky  
Thy last and fierc - est strife is nigh;  
In low - ly pomp ride on to die;

thy hum - ble beast pur - sues his road  
O Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin  
look down with sad and won - dering eyes  
the Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne  
thy meek head to mor - tal pain,

with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
ex - pects his own a - noint - ed Son.  
then take, O God, thy power and reign.



*The lights are lowered as our hearts are centered on the reading of the Passion story, the narrative of Jesus' arrest, conviction, and crucifixion. We remember that it was the voice of the people that called for his death. It is difficult and uncomfortable for us to hear this story and proclaim these words aloud ourselves, especially when only a few minutes ago we were singing joyful Hosannas together. However, the naming of our fear helps us to internalize even more profoundly the joyous gift of the resurrection.*

## THE PASSION READING

### THE GOSPEL

MARK 15:1-39

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

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.

*The people stand, as they are 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, "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!"

*The people exit in silence.*

**Coffee, tea, and fellowship are available after the service in Founder's Hall. Please continue with us on our journey through the last week of Jesus' life this Holy Week. Details on each service are on the last page of the bulletin.**



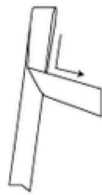
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**STEP 2**

Turn your palm cross over. This is what your palm cross will look like from the back.



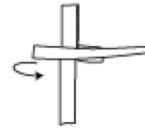
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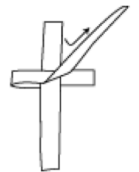
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**STEP 5**

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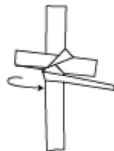
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Turn your palm cross over. This is what your palm cross will look like from the back.



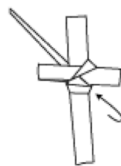
**STEP 7A**

Turn the palm cross over and fold the extra length diagonally down to the right, like a sash.



**STEP 8**

Run the extra length straight across, left to right, right under the "arms."



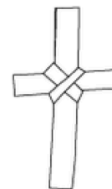
**STEP 9**

Wrap the extra length behind the cross, diagonally up and to the left.



**STEP 10**

Tuck any extra length into the loops on the back of the cross (the side facing you) to secure your cross.

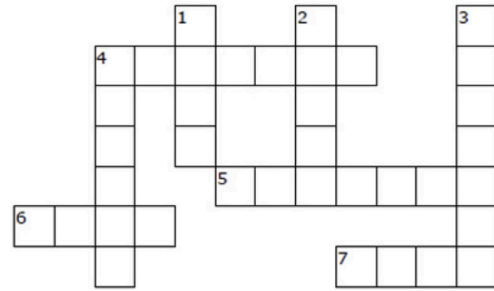


**STEP 11**

Make any adjustments as needed. Then carefully crease the folds so your cross looks nice and tidy.



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**ACROSS**

- 4. Said something in a loud voice; called out; yelled
- 5. A word used for praise and adoration which means "save us"
- 6. A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals; a street or highway
- 7. What a person is called

**DOWN**

- 1. A young animal of the horse family; especially one under one year
- 2. The Son of God
- 3. A small town
- 4. To stretch out over a large area

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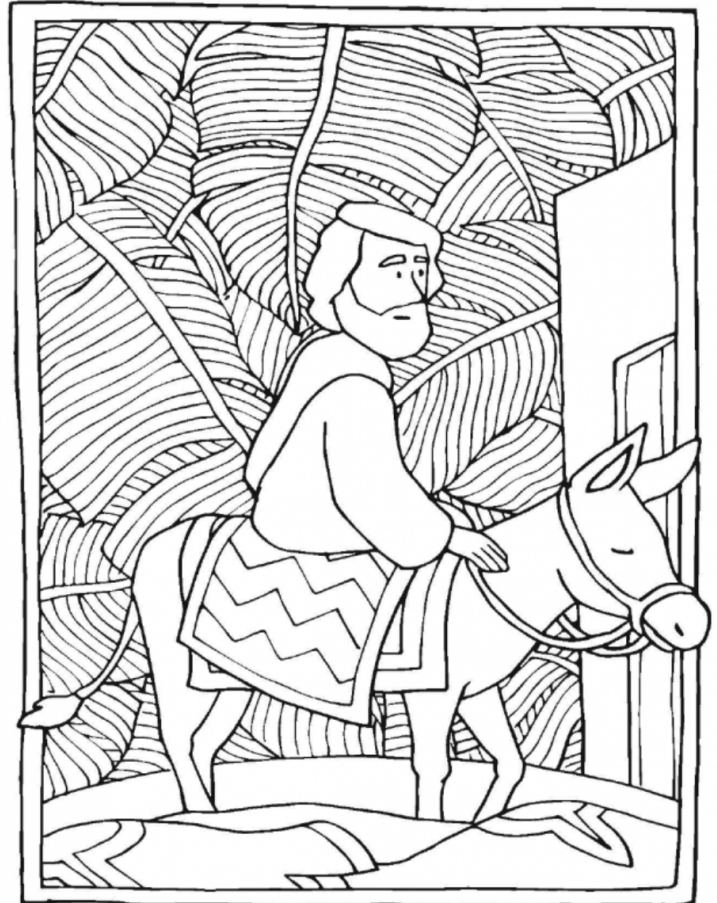
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**Hosanna to the King of kings!**





# Holy Week 2024

*These are the days by which life comes from death. They are the core of our faith. They are the stories of how God so loved us that God took on evil and death itself, so that we might have life and have it in abundance. We will once again take this journey with our Better Together partners, so please note the locations of each below and mark them on your calendars!*

## Thursday, March 28: Maundy Thursday

6:30pm at St. Gregory's



*We walk through the story of Jesus' last night with his friends: eating supper together while retelling scripture, washing each other's feet as he commanded, sharing the Eucharist he instituted, and reposing to the darkness of the garden. Please RSVP via the QR code or the sign-up on the bulletin board at the parking lot entrance so we know how much food to prepare for our meal together!*



## Friday, March 29: Good Friday

12 noon at St. Lawrence in Libertyville | 7pm at Trinity in Highland Park

*We walk with Jesus on this hardest of days, and encounter the greatest mystery of our faith: the Cross of Death becomes the Tree of Life.*

## Saturday, March 30: The Great Vigil of Easter

7pm at St. Lawrence in Libertyville

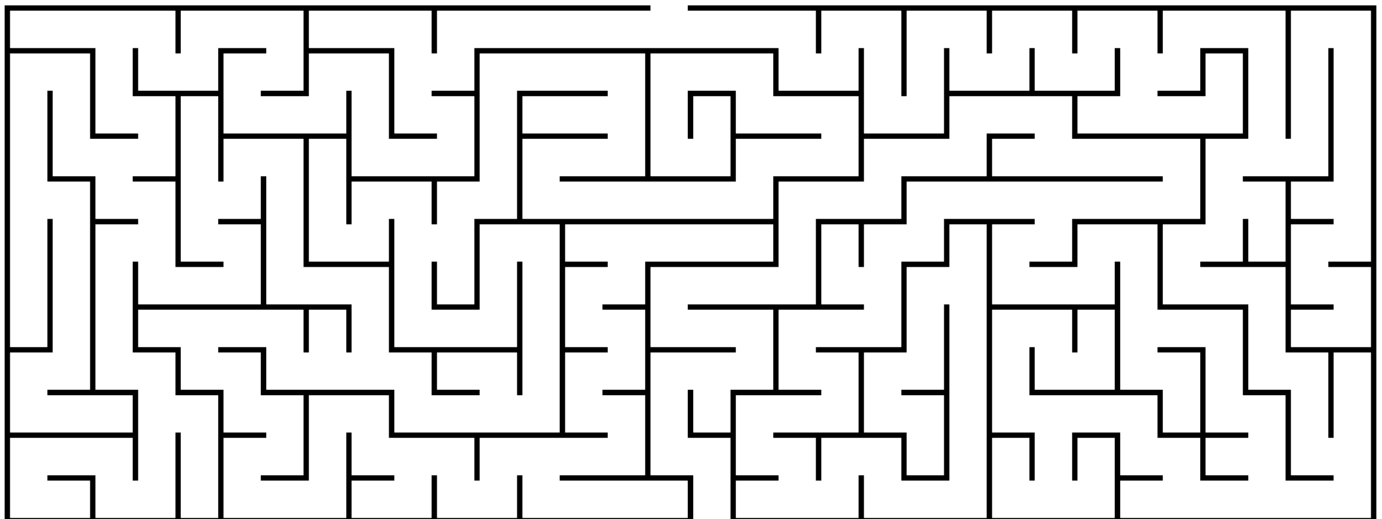
*This is the holiest night of the year, when we walk with Jesus from death into life: Immersed in deep darkness, we light a blazing new fire. Immersed in God's story, we encounter our own lives. Immersed in baptismal waters, we are raised to eternal life.*



## Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday

9:30am at St. Gregory's

*We walk with the disciples to find an empty tomb, and the power of death overcome by the love of God. Come and rejoice! The service will feature abundant flowers and glorious music with brass quintet and percussion. After the service, we will have an Easter Egg Hunt for younger children and a scavenger hunt for older children.*





## COMING UP..

### Community Meals - TODAY!

St. Gregory's parishioners will have the opportunity to prepare and hand out a hot meal and non-perishable food items to our friends in Waukegan on Sunday, March 24. We meet at noon to fill bags with non-perishable food and to prepare the hot food. We have bakers but need volunteers for the afternoon. Your participation will make a huge difference to our hungry food insecure guests. No training is needed! Sign up on the clipboard at our Sign-Up Station near the parking lot entrance.

? Barb Schaper: bschaper7@aol.com or (847)948-8989



### Easter Special Offering - today's your last chance!

Our Easter Sunday services are always extra special, with glorious flowers decorating the altar and extra musicians galore! If you'd like to make a special gift to help enhance the beauty of our worship on this day, please fill out one of the yellow envelopes in the pew or the form linked at right. You can make your donation "in memory of" or "in thanks for."



### Coffee Hour & Coffee Brunch!

Starting on April 7, after every Sunday service we will be holding a more simple version of coffee hour with just coffee and tea available in Founders Hall. We will continue to enjoy coffee brunch once a month, with the delicious spread of food we've come to expect under our amazing coffee hour committee! Keep an eye on the Sign-Up Center for opportunities to help host upcoming coffee brunches.

### Town Hall on Rector Process

We will hold a Town Hall Meeting on April 7, immediately following the 9:30 service. As you know, Dan was called as Priest-in-Charge to lead us through this transition time, with two options available to us: Option 1) call him as our tenured Rector, or Option 2) start a national search for our next rector.

This month, the Wardens and Vestry members will conduct a Mutual Ministry Review with Dan, to discuss how our relationship is going. That will determine whether we will begin discerning calling Dan or begin a national search. Both options will involve several months ahead of congregational input, conversation, prayer, and discernment. Please come on April 7 to get the latest update and a clear roadmap of the process ahead. In the meantime, don't hesitate to reach out to our wardens with any questions or further thoughts! ? Jim Millspaugh: jcmillsgolf@aol.com, or Sarah Kettlewell: sarahkettlewell@gmail.com

### BSA Troop 50 47th Annual Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, April 20

St. Gregory's sponsored Troop 50 is hosting its annual fundraiser from 6-8 pm at Wilmot School. All-you-can-eat catered spaghetti dinner tickets are \$15/adult, \$10/child, and there will be a silent auction and other great prizes! Raffle tickets for a new iPad are \$5 - don't need to be present to win. ? Catherine Regalado: ceshawl@yahoo.com or (847) 869-2623

