

Sunday of the Passion: PALM SUNDAY

Year B
March 24, 2024



8:00 & 10:00 a.m., The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Rev. William Petersen, Celebrant

Holly Simons, Music Minister

As we step into Holy Week, we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We sing praises, shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David." Jesus alone is the true King, the leader greater than all others. Even so, in God's great mercy Jesus became like us, taking on human form and living among us. As we celebrate Palm Sunday and shout "Hosanna" today, may we remember what will soon follow. May we be faithful in word and deed, and share God's love always.

The congregation receives palms and bulletins as they enter.

Prelude Ride On, King Jesus - *David Kidwell*
Choir: Hosanna to the Son of David – *Allen Pote*

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.**

A Reading from Mark 11:1-11

Entrance into the final days


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.

Opening Hymn #154 All Glory, Laud and Honor (v 1-4)

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect

We center ourselves for worship in prayer.

Celebrant

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray together.

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.

Kyrie LEVAS 236

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy on us,

Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy on us,

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.

THE LESSONS

We hear the Word of God proclaimed.

First Lesson

A reading from Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

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?

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm 31

Cantor, Julie Wood

Refrain: Cantor and Congregation sing refrain

Fa - ther, in - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

*In you, O Lord, I take refuge; Let me never be put to shame. In Your justice rescue me. Into Your hands I commend my spirit; You will redeem me, O Lord, O faithful God. **Refrain***

*For all my foes I am an object of reproach, a laughingstock to my neighbors, and a dread to my friends; They who see me abroad flee from me. I am forgotten like the unremembered dead; I am like a dish that is broken. **Refrain***

*But my trust is in You, O Lord; I say, "You are my God. In Your hands is my destiny; rescue me from the clutches of my enemies and my persecutors." **Refrain***

*Let Your face shine upon Your servant; Save me in Your kindness. Take courage and be stouthearted, all you who hope in the Lord. **Refrain***

The Second Lesson

A reading from Philippians 2:5-11

Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.

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.

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Hymn of the Day ELW #346 Ride on, ride on in majesty!



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -
an - gels in the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal



sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

The Gospel

Mark 14:1-15:47

We share in reading the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



This dramatic reading of the Passion Narrative for "Palm / Passion Sunday" in Year B and is based on the New Revised Standard Version of the scriptures as found in Mark 14 and 15. **The people will respond.**

Narrator: It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him, for they said,

Chief Priest: "Not during the festival or there may be a riot among the people.

Narrator: While Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of pure nard. She broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But there were some there who said in anger,

Disciple 1: "Why was this ointment wasted this way?"

Disciple 2: "For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor."

Narrator: And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

Jesus: "Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. You will always have the poor with you and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish, but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly, I tell you, where ever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she had done will be remembered of her."

Narrator: Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray Jesus. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray Jesus. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, the disciples said to Jesus,

Disciple 1: "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

Jesus: Go into the city and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him and where ever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

Narrator: So the disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them and they prepared the Passover

meal. When it was evening, Jesus came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said to them,

Jesus: "Truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me; one who is eating with me."

Narrator: The disciples began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

Disciple 1: "Surely not I?"

Disciple 2: "Surely it is not I, my Lord?"

Jesus: "It is one of the twelve, who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man will go as it is written of him, but woe to the one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one to not have been born."

Narrator: While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread and after blessing it, he broke it and gave it to the disciples saying,

Jesus: "Take, this is my body"

Narrator: Then he took a cup and after giving thanks, he gave it to them and all of them drank from it. The he said to them,

Jesus: "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly, I tell you, I will never drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I will drink it anew in the Kingdom of God."

Narrator: When they had sung hymns, the went out to the Mount of Olives and Jesus said to them,

Jesus: "You will all become deserters, for it is written 'I will strike the Shepherd and the sheep will be scattered.'" But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

Narrator: But Peter said to him,

Peter: "Even though all will become deserters, I will not."

Jesus: "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Peter: "Even though I must die with you, my Lord, I will not deny you."

Narrator: And all of them said the same. Then they went to a place called Gethsemane and he said to the disciples,

Jesus: "Sit here while I pray"

Narrator: And he took with him Peter, James and John and he began to be distressed and agitated. He said to them,

Jesus: "I am deeply grieved, even to death. Remain here and keep awake."

Narrator: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

Jesus: "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible. Remove this cup from me, yet not as I want but what you want."

Narrator: And he went back to where Peter, James and John were and found them sleeping.

Jesus: "Simon, are you asleep? Keep awake and pray that you many not come into this time of trial, for the spirit is indeed willing, but the flesh is weak."

Narrator: Again he went away and prayed, saying the same words, and once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy. They did not know what to say to him. He went away a third time and upon returning, he said,

Jesus: "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up. Let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Narrator: While he was speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived and with him was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes and the elders. The betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

Judas: "The one I will kiss is the man. Arrest him and lead him away under guard."

Narrator: As Jesus approached the group, Judas went up to him.

Judas: "Rabbi!"

Narrator: And he kissed him and the guards laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus: "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching and you did not arrest me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled."

Narrator: and all the disciples deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following Jesus, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. The guards caught him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. The guards took Jesus to the high priest and all the chief priests, the elders and the scribes assembled. Peter had followed at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest and he was sitting with the guards warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death. But they found none. Many gave false testimony against him and their testimonies did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him saying,

Council Members: "We heard him say, "I will destroy the temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with human hands."

Narrator: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood before the assembled group and asked Jesus,

High Priest: "Have you no answer? Why is it that they testify against you?"

Narrator: Jesus was silent. Again the high priest asked him,

High Priest: "Are you the Messiah, the Son of Blessed One?"

Jesus: "I am. You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming with clouds of heaven."

High Priest: "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard this blasphemy! What is your decision?"

Narrator: And all of them condemned him to death. Some began to spit on him. They blindfolded him and began to strike him, saying,

Council Members: "Prophecy! Prophecy!"

Narrator: The guards took him away and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by and when she saw Peter warming himself by the fire, she stared at him.

Servant Girl: "You were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth weren't you?"

Peter: "I do not know or understand what you are talking about!"

Narrator: As Peter was walking out into the forecourt, the croud crowd. The servant girl, on seeing Peter again, began telling those around her,

Servant Girl: "This man is one of them!"

Narrator: Again Peter denied it. This time, one of the bystanders said to Peter,

Bystander: "Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean."

Peter: "I DO NOT KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT!"

Narrator: At that moment, the croud crowd for a second time and Peter remembered that Jesus had told him "before the croud crows twice, you will deny me three times" and Peter broke down and wept. As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders, scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate, who asked him,

Pilate: "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus: "You say so"

Narrator: The chief priests continued to accuse Jesus of many things. Again Pilate asked him,

Pilate: "Have you no answer? Look at the many charges that have been brought against you!"

Narrator: But Jesus made no further reply and Pilate was amazed, Now at the festival, he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner for them; anyone whom they asked. There was a man named Barabbas who was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. The crowd came and asked Pilate to do for them as was his custom.

Pilate: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

Narrator: For Pilate realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priest had handed over Jesus. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas for them instead.

Pilate: "Then what would you have me do with this man you call the King of the Jews?"

People: "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

Pilate: "But why? What evil has he done?"

Narrator: But the crowd shouted all the more.

People: "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

Narrator: So Pilate did as the crowd wished. He released Barabbas and then after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led Jesus out in the courtyard of the palace (that is the governors' headquarters) and they called together the whole cohort. They stripped him of his clothes and put a purple cloak on him. They twisted some thorns into a crown, which they put on his head and they began to salute him.

People: "Hail King of the Jews"

Narrator: They struck Jesus in the head with a reed, spat on him and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes back on him and then they led him away to be crucified. While in route, they compelled a passer-by that was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. It was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgatha (which means The Place of the Skull). They offered him wine mixed with myrrh but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his clothes among themselves, 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 "King of the Jews". And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. And those who passed by derided him.

People: "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days. Save yourself! Come down from the cross."

Narrator: In the same way the chief priests and the scribes also mocked him.

Chief Priest: "He saved others and yet he cannot save himself"

Council Members: "Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

Narrator: 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,

Jesus: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

Narrator: Which means, "My God, My God, Why have you forsaken me?" when some of the bystanders heard him, they said,

Bystander: "Listen, he is calling to Elijah."

Narrator: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick and gave it to Jesus saying,

Bystander: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down"

Narrator: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and took his last breath. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion, who stood facing Jesus saw how he breathed his last breath, he said,

Centurion: "Truly this man was God's Son"

Narrator: There were also women looking on from a distance. Among them was Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James the younger and Joses and Solome. They used to follow Jesus and provide for him when he was in Galilee; and there were other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When the evening came, Joseph of Arimathea went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate, wondering if Jesus was already dead, summoned the centurion and asked him if Jesus was dead. When Pilate learned that Jesus was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Joseph bought a linen cloth and taking the body, wrapped it and laid

it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where the body was laid.

Silence follows for reflection in place of a sermon.

NICENE CREED *We profess our faith with the whole church.*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers Of The People *The Leader and People pray responsively*

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

Blessed One, today the church sings glad hosannas as we enter Holy Week. Prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Encourage the work of foresters, scientists, arborists, gardeners, and river keepers. We pray for the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Establish peace and justice among the nations. Hold to account any with authority to judge others. Grant that courts, legislatures, and local governments will serve with integrity and compassion. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bring hope to any who feel forsaken or forgotten. Make a way for refugees and asylum seekers. Reunite families enduring separation. We pray for any who are incarcerated, institutionalized, or in foster care, that they may know your love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Give energy and joy to our pastor/s, deacons, worship leaders, and musicians. Bless baptismal candidates, their sponsors, confirmands, and teachers. Watch over those who travel. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Blessed One, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in discipleship throughout our lives and receive us into everlasting life.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

The Peace *We share the gift of Christ's peace and love.*

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements *We share our life of faith together in community.*

The Offering *An offering is gathered for the mission of God in the world*

I appeal to you, siblings, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

For everyone's safety, we will not pass the traditional plate during today's service. Instead, an offering plate is available at the entrances to the worship space, or you may visit wolfesaints.com/donate.



The people stand in body or spirit.

The Great Thanksgiving *(Eucharistic Prayer 2, Enriching Worship)*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

The people kneel or stand as they are able

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

We pray the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us.

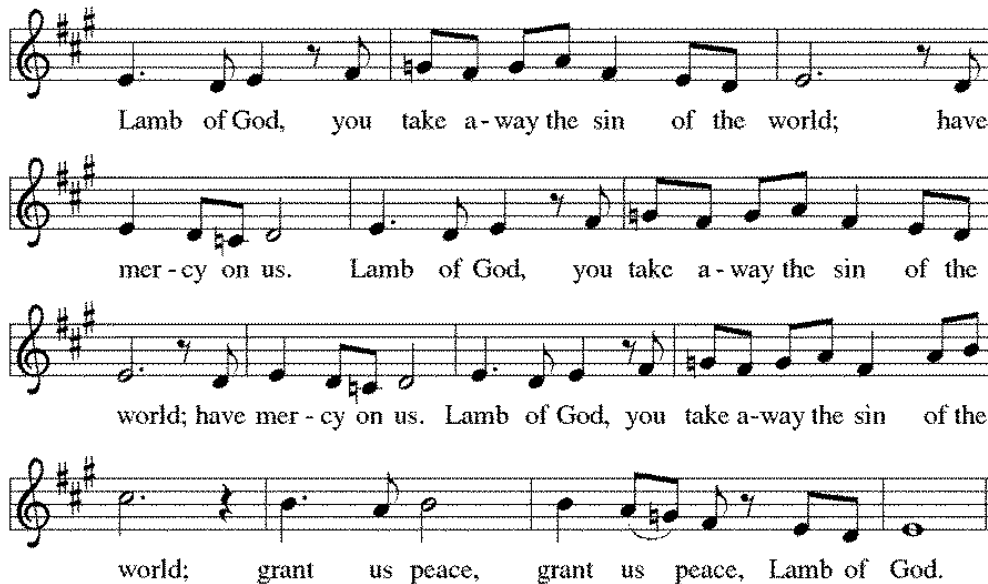
Celebrant And as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,

People Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread *We break the bread to share in the body of Christ.*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Lamb of God ELW S191



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Invitation *We are all invited to receive God's forgiveness.*

Celebrant All who thirst, all who hunger, come and be filled with the goodness of God.
These are the gifts of God for you the people of God.

You are invited to The Lord's table regardless of who you are, where you have been, what you have done. You are welcome because God loves you, no exceptions and we do too!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

There is a long-standing practice in the Episcopal Church to offer a means for people to receive Holy Communion spiritually when it cannot be received physically.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Piano Meditation— “Alas, and did my Savior bleed” — *Isaac Watts*

Post Communion Prayer *We ask God to send us as a witness to the world.*

Celebrant Let us pray together:

People Merciful God, Accompany our journey through these forty days. Renew us in the gift of baptism, that we may provide for those who are poor, pray for those who are in need, fast from self-indulgence, and above all that we may find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING *God blesses and sends us in mission to the world.*

BLESSING *We stand to receive God's blessing.*

May God your Maker send you back into the world with creative energies refreshed. May Christ the Light illuminate your darkest moments. And may the Holy Spirit of steadfast love guide you until we worship together again, this day and forevermore [+]
Amen.

Recessional Hymn #158 Ah, holy Jesus

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Dismissal *We depart to live as Christ's body in the world.*

Leader Go now in peace, for nothing can separate you from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

People Thanks be to God.

***We are glad that you worshipped with us this morning.
Please sign our guest book and complete a yellow welcome card found in the pew racks.***



Worship Bulletin ~ We follow the order of worship from The Book of Common Prayer as it is printed in this bulletin. Leader parts are in regular print; the congregation parts are in **bold** print. Notes and directions are printed in *italics*. Hymn numbers are noted in this bulletin and can be found in The Hymnal 1982 found in the pew racks.

All are invited to receive Communion in this church.

The Common Cup as an Option Following guidance from Bishop +Rob to clergy and discussion with our Worship and Music Team and Vestry, we will offer the option of receiving wine by common cup as we offer the option of gluten free bread during Holy Communion. The Eucharistic Ministers will continue to distribute wine via individual cups and if you desire the common cup*, please ask Pastor Bill (just as you would for gluten free).

***Note:** *For sanitation concerns and at the direction of our bishop, we will no longer offer the opportunity for Intinction (the dipping of the bread/wafer into the wine. The common cup is only available for drinking from.*

Facility Information ~ Handicap accessible restrooms are located downstairs in the hallways exiting the Parish Hall and upstairs in the hallway exiting the sanctuary. A small restroom is located off the narthex lobby at the rear of the worship space. We welcome children in worship, but should you (or they) need, an unstaffed nursery area is located off the narthex lobby.

Seeking a Church Home? ~ If you would like additional information about All Saints', are seeking a faith community to call home, or interested in exploring your faith, please speak with the rector.

Masks are not required in the building at the present time. However, if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, then you are encouraged to do so.

Sharing of the peace will be done from your seat only.

Offering plates are available at entrances to the worship space or giving online @ wolfesaints.com.

We continue to livestream for those unable to worship in person.



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Bishop: The Rt. Rev. A. Robert Hirschfeld
Rector: The Rev. William "Bill" Petersen
Priest Associate: The Rev. Elizabeth Preysner
Minister of Music: Holly Simons
Sunday School Teacher: Danielle Pierpont
Parish Administrator: Debra Hoyt
Sexton: Mark McLaughlin