



Paul Gauguin 1889

**FATHER FORGIVE THEM  
FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO**

**GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

13 April 2025

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

# Welcome to Grace!

## The Liturgy of the Palms (weather permitting we gather in the church yard)

*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.

Luke 19: 28-40

*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.

The Blessing of the Palms

## The Procession

*Celebrant* Blessed is he who comes 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.

## The Procession

### Hymn #154

*All glory, laud, and honor*

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

# The Word of God

## The Collect

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.*

## Gospel Hymn LEVAS #106

### *Precious Lord*

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me  
2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws—

1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
2. near, When my life is al - most gone;  
3. near, And the day is past and gone;

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the  
2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I  
3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.  
3. hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.

Words: Thomas A. Dorsey (1899–1993) Music: Thomas A. Dorsey; arrs. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

## **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to St. Luke.**

*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted on this day.  
Remain seated for the first part of the Passion.*

**EVANGELIST:** He 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,

**CHALLENGER 1:** You also are one of them.

**PETER:** Man, I am not!

**EVANGELIST:** Then about an hour later still another kept insisting.

**CHALLENGER 2:** Surely this man also was with him, for he is a Galilean.

**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. Then 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.

**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 waiting 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 had 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 released.

**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 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?

(Here, all 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. 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.

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

**EVANGELIST:** When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

**CENTURION:** Certainly this man was innocent.

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

**EVANGELIST:** Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid.

## **The Sermon**

**Prayer of the People Form I - page 383**

**The Peace**

**Announcements**

**Offertory - Suite in D Major**

George F Handel  
Chris Inhoff, trumpet

## **The Holy Communion**

**Eucharistic Prayer B - page 367**

## Sanctus S-129

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.\_\_\_\_\_

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

## Fraction Anthem S-169

*Cantor or Choir*  
 My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -  
 deed, says the Lord. *All* My Lord. *2 Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my  
*All* flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My  
 flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: My flesh is food indeed

Music: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

# Communion Hymn #458

## *My song is love unknown*

*Unison or harmony*

1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love  
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but  
 \*3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -  
 \*4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He  
 \*5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a

1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O  
 2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But  
 3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then  
 4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet  
 5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet

1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?  
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.  
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.  
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them-selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.  
 5 stead-fast he to suf-fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

\*6 In life no house, no home  
 my Lord on earth might have;  
 in death no friendly tomb  
 but what a stranger gave.  
 What may I say?  
 Heaven was his home;  
 but mine the tomb  
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,  
 no story so divine:  
 never was love, dear King,  
 never was grief like thine,  
 This is my friend,  
 in whose sweet praise  
 I all my days  
 could gladly spend.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624–1683), alt. Music: *Love Unknown*, John Ireland (1879–1962)



# Hymn # 313

## Let thy blood in mercy poured

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*  
 of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859–1925) Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Crüger (1598–1662); harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

## Post Communion Prayer - page 366 The Blessing of the People

The Procession

Hymn #168  
O sacred head sore wounded

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;  
 2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;  
 3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,  
 \*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
 \*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:  
 2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.  
 3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.  
 4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?  
 5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?  
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:  
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,  
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,  
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!  
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.  
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.  
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.  
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607–1676); sts. 1–3, 5, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930); st. 4, tr. James Waddell Alexander (1804–1859), alt.  
 Music: *Herzlich tut mich verlangen* [Passion Chorale], Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612); adapt. And harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

The Sending Forth - page 366

Closing Voluntary - *Suite in D Major: Bouree and March*

George F Handel  
Chris Imhoff, trumpet

# Grace Notes

- We are **In Need** of adults to assist with children's church. If you are interested, please contact Sharon George at [slgeorge864@gmail.com](mailto:slgeorge864@gmail.com)
- **Fiber Friends and Fellowship** meets **every Tuesday at 11 a.m.** in the Parish Hall.
- **Daughters of the King (DOK) Study Session** will be **Saturday, April 19th and 26th from 10 a.m. - Noon.**
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Grace Church BBQ will be **Oct. 11 2025**
- If you are interested in the Bishop's **Bible in a year challenge** visit <https://www.edusc.org/bible-in-a-year/>
- If you are interested in receiving **Bishop Daniel Richards weekly meditations** called *Notes Along the Way*, visit <https://www.edusc.org/notes-from-along-the-way/>.
- **Lenten Madness** has begun. For more information visit <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>
- **Sylvira Communion Visit** is **Monday, April 14th at 11 a.m.**
- **Church Office** will be **Closed Monday, April 21st.**
- **We are in need** of Easter candy for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20. Please bring individually wrapped candy to the parish hall before **April 17th.**
- If you have a graduating senior, please contact Sharon at [slgeorge864@gmail.com](mailto:slgeorge864@gmail.com) so we can make preparations for this year's Sending Forth.
- **5th Grade Bridge retreat** is **April 26th - 27th.**
- **Moms Meet up** will be **Saturday, April 26th from 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.** at E-City Jave.
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, April 24th at 10 a.m.**
- **Easter Lillies:** Forms for Easter Lillie can be found in the cloister and outside the church office door. Please have these filled out and returned to Nikki by Today **Sunday, April 13th.**
- Please join us for **Easter Breakfast 9:00 on Easter Sunday** in the Parish Hall. We are in need of help in terms of sweet and savory breakfast dishes. Please reach out to Kirri Kinley at [kirrikinley@gmail.com](mailto:kirrikinley@gmail.com) or 843-384-5213 with what you plan on bringing. This is a lovely morning full of joy and fellowship, followed by a children's egg hunt at 9:30. Please join us!
- **Guys Gathering at Grace** will be **Thursday, April 24th at 6 p.m.** to avoid conflict with Maundy Thursday. Chris Hand will be the chef du jour, menu to come. May will be special meeting **Thursday, May 15th** which is organized by Bryan Harris as a representative "Brotherhood of St. Andrew" format. All grace men and guests are welcome.
- **The Grace Episcopal Music Department** is presenting a series of piano recitals on the exceptional Hardman piano in the Parish Hall. The first of this series will be **Sunday, May 18th at 5 p.m.** The name of the first program is "Chopin and Chardonnay". In addition to the 5 of Fredericks Chopin's most beautiful piano works we will have a tasting selection of 5 Chardonnay wines from Europe and the United States. Our first guest pianist is Mrs. Anita Jubin Brown. Tickets are \$40 each and seating will be limited. Please see Nikki or Steve Grant for Reservations.
- **Altar Guild:** Do you want to be involved at church but in a more behind the scene manner once a month? Do you want to learn more about our ministry? Do you want to hangout with the coolest people at Grace? The Altar Guild is seeking new recruits. See Jodie Webb 864-380-1683 if you are interested in checking out what we are about and see if you are a good fit.
- **Saturday Servants:** We are gearing up for our next round of Saturdays in May. We are seeking donations of the following: creamy peanut butter, grape jam and water. If you would like to make a contribution, please leave it on the table at the back of the Parish Hall. We thank you in advance for your help. We will be looking for volunteers to help make the lunches and deliver them as well. More information on that to follow. If you have any questions, please reach out to Tracey or George Lidlow at [tjlidlow@gmail.com](mailto:tjlidlow@gmail.com)
- We are donating a commercial coffee maker to South Main Chapel & Mercy Center, one of our local ministry partners who provide meals and coffee daily for the homeless. Currently, we need \$350 to complete purchase. If you'd like to make a donation above your regular giving, please make check out to Grace with a note "For South Main Coffee Maker".

## **Those who serve**

**Vestry-in-Charge:** Louis Lebrun

**Second Counter:** Heiko Erlenkeuser

**Intercessor:** Kathy Bostater

**Chalice 2:** Sara Cheek

**Ushers:** Nathanael Burden, Christopher Wilford

**1st Crucifer:** David Burden

**Server/Gospel Barer:** Lacreacia Bilbrey

**Torch Bearers:**

**Linen Guild:** Pam Herold

**Altar Guild:** Jodie Webb, Kathy Bostater

**Organist/Choirmaster:** Steve Grant

**Organist Emeritus:** Bill Scott

## **Those with birthdays this week**

Charlotte Wilford

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