



St. John's Church

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Ten O'clock in the Morning

**THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER, COMMONLY CALLED
PALM SUNDAY**

The Order for the Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Communion

- *A warm welcome to all parishioners, guests, and visitors. Worship at St. John's is according to the 1928 Book of Common Prayer and The Hymnal, 1940. Be sure to ask a neighbor for help if you have any questions about where we are during the service.*
 - *The ✠ symbol indicates a point in the liturgy where making the sign of the cross is appropriate.*
 - ***Please turn all cell phones, pagers, and wireless communication devices off or to "vibrate."***
 - *Children are most welcome at St. John's worship services. For those who desire it, during the school year, Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM, and nursery care is available year-round.*
 - *Information on worship practices, Communion procedure, announcements, prayer requests, the teaching series, a brief history of St. John's, and various aspects of parish life are available in the Parish Chronicle, which is inserted in this bulletin.*
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The Prelude: *Adagio (from Concerto for solo organ No. 2 in A minor (after Vivaldi op. 3/8, RV 522), BWV 593ii – J.S. Bach*

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

¶ *At the singing of the Antiphon, the People shall stand, and shall remain standing throughout the Liturgy of the Palms.*

The Antiphon: *Hosanna filio David – Plainchant*

HOSANNA * to the son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the LORD. O King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.

Let us pray.

The Collect

ASSIST us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our Salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gospel: St. Matthew xxi. 1.

AND when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall

say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.

The Lord be with you.
Answer. **And with thy spirit.**
Minister. Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
Answer. **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Blessing of the Palms

IT is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou has redeemed us through thy 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. Bless, O Lord, these branches. Let them 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 leadeth to eternal life; who liveth and reigneth in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**



∇. Let us go forth in peace. ☩. In the Name of Christ. A-men.

¶ At this time, the Ushers shall direct the People to the Narthex where they shall receive their Palms and join the procession.

Hymnal

Prayer Book

62 The Processional Hymn: All glory, laud, and honor – TUNE: St. Theodulph
(The Choir shall sing the stanzas of this hymn alone, the People always joining at the Refrain)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Introit: Domine, ne longe, Psalm 22:19, 21, 1 – Plainchant

OLORD, remove not thy succour afar from me; have respect to my defence, and hear me: deliver me from the mouth of the lion; yea, from the horns of the unicorns hast thou regarded my cry.
Ps. My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint. O LORD, remove not... (*etc.*) (*the Gloria Patri is omitted during Passiontide*)

The Collect for Purity (*the People all kneeling*) **p. 67**

The Summary of the Law **p. 69**

719 The Kyrie eleison, ninefold: Missa Marialis – Plainsong, 12th century **p. 70**
(Please see Hymnal for voicing)

The Collect of the Day **p. 134**

The Epistle: Philippians ii. 5. **p. 134**

¶ After the reading of the Epistle, the People shall remain seated, and the Choir shall chant

The Psalm: 22:1–11. Deus, Deus meus. – ANGLICAN CHANT: Samuel Wesley **p. 366**
(the Gloria Patri is omitted during Passiontide)

¶ *Then shall the People stand, and the Choir continue with*

The Gradual: Tenuísti mánum, Psalm 73:23, 1–3 – Plainchant

THOU hast holden me by my right hand: thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and after that receive me with glory. V. Truly God is loving unto Israel: even unto such as are of a clean heart. Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone: my treadings had well nigh slipt. And why? I was grieved at the wicked: I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew *(see insert)*

The Nicene Creed

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68 The Sermon Hymn: Alone thou goest forth, O Lord – TUNE: Bangor

Announcements *(if there be any)*

The Sermon – The Rev. Fr. Steven J. Kelly, SSC, Rector

The Offertory: Improperium, Psalm 69:21–22 – Plainchant

THY rebuke hath broken my heart, I am full of heaviness: I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man: neither found I any to comfort me: they gave me gall to eat, and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

The Offertory Anthem: Fling wide the gates - John Stainer

Fling wide the gates, For the Saviour waits to tread in His royal way
He has come from above in His power and love, to die on this Passion day.
Fling wide the gates! The Saviour waits! Fling wide the gates!
The Saviour waits to tread in His royal way
His cross is the sign of the love divine His crown is the thorn-wreath of woe
He lays is load on the sorrowful road And bends 'neath the burden throne.
Fling wide the gates! He waits! The Saviour waits!
Fling wide the gates, for the Saviour waits to tread in His royal way.
He has come from above in His power and love, to die on this Passion day –
To die on this Passion day.

~ St. Matthew 21, v. 9

The Presentation of the Alms and Oblations

139 The Doxology

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

141 My country, 'tis of thee (4th stanza only)

OUR fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

The Prayer for the Church

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The Invitation to Confession

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Comfortable Words

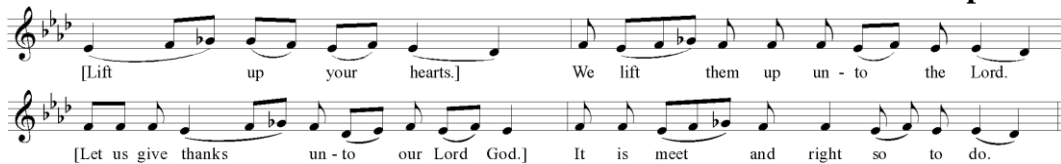
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[The Lord be with you.] And with thy spirit - it.

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The Sursum corda: Plainchant

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798 *The Sanctus:* Missa Marialis – Plainsong, 14th century

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798 ✕ *The Benedictus qui venit:* Missa Marialis

The Prayer of Consecration

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The Lord’s Prayer

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The Prayer of Humble Access (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*)

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723 *The Agnus Dei:* Missa Marialis – Plainsong, 10th and 13th century (*Trebles only, Men only, All*)

The Invitation: ✕ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takest away the sins of the world.

Response: *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*

The Administration of Holy Communion

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337 **The Communion Hymn:** *When I survey the wondrous cross* – TUNE: Rockingham

The Communion: *Pater, si non pōtest*, St. Matthew 26:39 – Plainchant

O MY Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it: thy will be done.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*)

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O saving Victim, opening wide – TUNE: St. Vincent

The Blessing (*the People all kneeling*)

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The Dismissal | Response: *Thanks be to God.*

64 **The Closing Hymn:** *Ride on! ride on in majesty!* – TUNE: Winchester New,

The Postlude: *Valet wir ich dir geben*, BWV 736 – Johann Sebastian Bach

[*Farewell I gladly bid thee*]



¶ *We welcome you to St. John’s Church. If you are new, please be sure to fill out a visitor card and place it in an offertory plate, and/or sign one of the guest registers in the narthex at the back of the church. We are glad you are here and hope that you will join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Undercroft (Church basement). If you have questions, please feel free to speak to any parishioner and they will happily provide you with whatever assistance you may require.*



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