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and bringing people to new life in Jesus Christ.*



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# The Holy Eucharist

## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

### Pre-Service Music

**Announcements** – beginning at 9:55am; followed by a few minutes of quiet reflection, prayer in preparation for worship

### The Liturgy of the Palms

Celebrant: Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

**People:** **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Dear brothers and sisters, from the beginning of Lent until now we have been preparing our hearts by repentance and self-sacrifice. Today, with the whole Church, we herald the beginning of the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as King with palms and shouts of praise. Today we greet him as our King, though we know his crown was a crown of thorns, and his throne a cross.

Therefore, I invite you to follow our Lord this Holy Week, from his triumphal entry, through his suffering and death, to the glory of his resurrection.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with your spirit.**

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 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Reading **Mark 11:1-11a**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**People:** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup> and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" <sup>4</sup> And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. <sup>5</sup> And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" <sup>6</sup> And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. <sup>7</sup> And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup> And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. <sup>9</sup> And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!" <sup>11</sup> And 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.

Deacon: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant: Let us pray: We 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 hailed as King by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Sanctify these branches with your blessing, we humbly pray, that they may be for us signs of his victory. 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 with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

**People: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## The Procession

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

**People: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Processional Song All Glory Laud and Honor

(chorus)

*All glory laud and honor  
To Thee Redeemer King  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring*

(Verse 1)

Thou art the King of Israel  
Thou David's royal Son  
Who in the Lord's name comes  
The King and blessed One  
(repeat chorus)

(Verse 2)

The company of angels  
Are praising Thee on high  
And we with all creation  
In chorus make reply  
(repeat chorus)

(Verse 3)

The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before Thee went  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before Thee we present  
(repeat chorus)

(Verse 4)

To Thee before Thy passion  
They sang their hymns of praise  
To Thee now high exalted  
Our melody we raise  
(repeat chorus)

(Verse 5)

Thou didst accept their praises  
Accept the prayers we bring  
Who in all good delightest  
Thou good and gracious King  
repeat chorus)

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*Young children are dismissed to go to their classroom.*

*Kneel or sit.*

## Collect for Palm Sunday

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for us you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself 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 come to share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Lector: A Reading from the book of Isaiah.

<sup>13</sup>Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. <sup>14</sup>As many

were astonished at you— his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind— <sup>15</sup> so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. <sup>53:1</sup> Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? <sup>2</sup> For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. <sup>3</sup> He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. <sup>4</sup> Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup> He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. <sup>8</sup> By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? <sup>9</sup> And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup> Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. <sup>11</sup> Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup> Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm Psalm 22:1-21**

Lector: We will read from Psalm 22 in unison.

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me,  
and are so far from my cry, and from the words of my complaint?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not hear; in the night season also, but I find no rest.
- 3 But you remain holy, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our fathers hoped in you; they trusted in you, and you delivered them.
- 5 They called upon you, and were delivered; they put their trust in you, and were not confounded.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man, scorned by all, and the outcast of the people.
- 7 All those who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips, and shake their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in God, that he would deliver him; let him deliver him, if he will have him."
- 9 But you are he that took me out of my mother's womb;  
you were my hope, when I was yet upon my mother's breasts.
- 10 I have been cast upon you ever since I was born; you are my God, even from my mother's womb.
- 11 O go not far from me, for trouble is near at hand, and there is none to help me.
- 12 Many oxen have come around me; fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.
- 13 They gape at me with their mouths, like a ravening and a roaring lion.

- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart also in the midst of my body is like melting wax.
- 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaves to my gums,  
and you bring me into the dust of death.
- 16 For many dogs have come about me, and the council of the wicked lays siege against me.
- 17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones;  
they stand staring and looking upon me.
- 18 They part my garments among them, and casts lots for my clothing.
- 19 But be not far from me, O LORD. You are my succor; hasten to help me.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth, and my soul in misery from among the horns of wild oxen.

## Second Reading Philipians 2:5-11

Lector: A Reading from Philipians.

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion.*

## Gospel Mark 14:32 - 15:47

Celebrant: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

<sup>32</sup> And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."  
<sup>33</sup> And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled.  
<sup>34</sup> And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch."  
<sup>35</sup> And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.  
<sup>36</sup> And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."  
<sup>37</sup> And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour?  
<sup>38</sup> Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."  
<sup>39</sup> And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words.  
<sup>40</sup> And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him.  
<sup>41</sup> And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.  
<sup>42</sup> Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."  
<sup>43</sup> And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.  
<sup>44</sup> Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man. Seize him and lead him away under guard."  
<sup>45</sup> And when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" And he kissed him.  
<sup>46</sup> And they laid hands on him and seized him.  
<sup>47</sup> But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear.  
<sup>48</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me?  
<sup>49</sup> Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled."  
<sup>50</sup> And they all left him

and fled. <sup>51</sup> And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, <sup>52</sup> but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked. <sup>53</sup> And they led Jesus to the high priest. And all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. <sup>54</sup> And Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. And he was sitting with the guards and warming himself at the fire. <sup>55</sup> Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. <sup>56</sup> For many bore false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. <sup>57</sup> And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying, <sup>58</sup> "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" <sup>59</sup> Yet even about this their testimony did not agree. <sup>60</sup> And the high priest stood up in the midst and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" <sup>61</sup> But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" <sup>62</sup> And Jesus said, "I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." <sup>63</sup> And the high priest tore his garments and said, "What further witnesses do we need? <sup>64</sup> You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?" And they all condemned him as deserving death. <sup>65</sup> And some began to spit on him and to cover his face and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophecy!" And the guards received him with blows. <sup>66</sup> And as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came, <sup>67</sup> and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, "You also were with the Nazarene, Jesus." <sup>68</sup> But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you mean." And he went out into the gateway and the rooster crowed. <sup>69</sup> And the servant girl saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." <sup>70</sup> But again he denied it. And after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them, for you are a Galilean." <sup>71</sup> But he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know this man of whom you speak." <sup>72</sup> And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept. <sup>15:1</sup> And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup> And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so." <sup>3</sup> And the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup> And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you." <sup>5</sup> But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. <sup>6</sup> Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup> And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas. <sup>8</sup> And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them. <sup>9</sup> And he answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>10</sup> For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up. <sup>11</sup> But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead. <sup>12</sup> And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" <sup>13</sup> And they cried out again, "Crucify him." <sup>14</sup> And Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him." <sup>15</sup> So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. <sup>16</sup> And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole battalion. <sup>17</sup> And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. <sup>18</sup> And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>19</sup> And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup> And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him. <sup>21</sup> And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene,

who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. <sup>22</sup> And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). <sup>23</sup> And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup> And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup> And it was the third hour when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup> And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." <sup>27</sup> And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, <sup>30</sup> save yourself, and come down from the cross!" <sup>31</sup> So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup> Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him. <sup>33</sup> And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup> And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup> And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." <sup>36</sup> And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." <sup>37</sup> And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup> And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup> And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!" <sup>40</sup> There were also women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. <sup>41</sup> When he was in Galilee, they followed him and ministered to him, and there were also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem. <sup>42</sup> And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, <sup>43</sup> Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup> Pilate was surprised to hear that he should have already died. And summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. <sup>45</sup> And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the corpse to Joseph. <sup>46</sup> And Joseph bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb that had been cut out of the rock. And he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. <sup>47</sup> Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

**Sermon** The Rev. Michael J. Bridge

## **Confession and Absolution of Sin**

LEM: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**People:** **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and repent of our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Comfortable Words

Celebrant: If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

## Peace

*Please stand*

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And with your spirit.** *Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Offertory

Celebrant: Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. *Matthew 5:16*

## Offertory Song      Were You There

(Verse 1)

Were you there when they crucified my Lord

Were you there when they crucified my Lord

Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble

tremble tremble

Were you there when they crucified my Lord

(Verse 2)

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree

Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble

tremble tremble

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree

(Verse 3)

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb

Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble

Tremble tremble

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb

(Verse 4)

Were you there when God raised him from the tomb

Were you there when God raised him from the tomb

Oh sometimes it causes me to tremble

Tremble tremble

Were you there when God raised him from the tomb

**Doxology** *Please stand as the offering is brought forward*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

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## Offertory Prayer

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you.

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Please remain standing, if you are able to do so.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself;



who by his suffering and death became the author 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

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

## Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer Prayed together

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 Agnus Dei

Minister: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**People: have mercy on us.**

Minister: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**People: have mercy on us.**

Minister: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

**People: grant us your peace.**

## Holy Communion

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. *John 1:29, Revelation 19:9*

*We invite all baptized Christians to join in Holy Communion. The ushers will guide you forward where you may receive Communion. The celebrant will offer you bread then a chalice bearer will offer you wine. Should you prefer not to drink from the cup, you may dip the bread into the chalice. If there is a reason you do not want to take bread or wine, you may remain seated or you are welcome to come to the front, to the to the left of the Communion service, where a member of our prayer team is available to quietly pray with and for you.*

## Communion Hymn I Amazing Grace

(Verse 1)

Amazing grace

how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me

I once was lost but now am found

Was blind but now I see

(Verse 2)

'Twas grace that taught

my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed

(Verse 3)

The Lord has promised good to me

His Word my hope secures

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures

(Verse 4)

Through many dangers

toils and snares

I have already come

'Tis grace hath brought me

safe thus far

And grace will lead me home

(Verse 5)

When we've been there

ten thousand years

Bright shining as the sun

We've no less days

to sing God's praise

Than when we first begun

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## Post-Communion Prayer

*Prayed together*

Let us pray: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**

## Recessional Hymn Lord Let Me Walk

(Verse 1)

Lord, let me walk that lonely road with you  
Under the weight of the wood  
Lord, let me walk that last mile in your shoes  
Under the weight of that wood

(chorus)

*Freedom can be found, laden down  
Under the weight of the wood*

(Verse 2)

Lord, let me cool your lips baked like clay  
Under the weight of the wood  
Dried up like rain on a hot dusty day  
Under the weight of that wood

(repeat chorus)

(Verse 3)

They gave you gall and sour wine for your food  
Under the weight of the wood  
Father, forgive them; they don't know what they do  
Under the weight of that wood

(repeat chorus)

(Verse 4)

Lord, must the journey always end this way  
Under the weight of the wood  
How many times have we nailed you up today  
Under the weight of that wood

(repeat chorus)

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## Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ACTIVATE THE PRAYER CHAIN** please contact Ron Davis at 231-330-6355 or [rsdavismgr@gmail.com](mailto:rsdavismgr@gmail.com) or any member of the Prayer Chain Ministry. If you would like to be part of New Life's Prayer Chain please contact Ron.
- **FR. MIKE'S OFFICE HOURS** – Tuesday & Wednesday 1–5pm, Thursdays & Fridays 9:00am – 1pm

## OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **FREE MEN'S CLOTHING CLOSET** – Open by appointment contact Gretchen Lucky 231-622-2057

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – Coming Soon.

## MEN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **MEN'S BREAKFAST** – Tuesdays at 8:30am for food and fellowship at Southwood's Restaurant
- **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – Fridays at 9am in the annex study
- **MEN'S MINISTRY PROGRAM** – Our next meeting is Thursday, April 25th in Blanz Hall and will be lead by TBD. Our meetings will include fellowship 5:30 – 6:30p.m., dinner 6:30 – 7:30p.m. and a short teaching 7:30 – 8:00 p.m. I hope you will join us. Bring your own beverage of choice and a friend.

## MEETING & EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER** – Every Thursday at 8:30 am in Fr Mike's Office. All are welcome.
- **WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY – THE BOOK OF GALATIANS** – beginning April 3rd we'll meet each week for Pizza & Salad Dinner at 6pm followed by the study at 6:30pm in Blanz Hall.

**THIS WEEK AT NEW LIFE** (Unless otherwise indicated, all events are at the church)

<b>Sunday 3/24</b>	9:55 am	Announcements followed by Quiet Reflection
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Palm Sunday Service - The Rev. Michael J. Bridge</b>
		<b>After Service ~ Coffee Hour ~ downstairs in Blanz Hall</b>
Tuesday 3/26	8:30am	Men's Breakfast at Southwood's Restaurant
Thursday 3/28	8:30am	Morning Prayer - in Fr. Mike's Office
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>
	<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Altar of Repose Vigil</b>
Friday 3/29	9:00am	Men's Bible Study
	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Good Friday Service</b>
<b>Sunday 3/31</b>	9:55 am	Announcements followed by Quiet Reflection
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Easter Sunday Service - The Rev. Michael J. Bridge</b>
		<b>After Service ~ Coffee Hour ~ downstairs in Blanz Hall</b>

**HOLY WEEK SERVING SCHEDULE**

**TODAY, MARCH 24, PALM SUNDAY:**

Altar Guild: Liz Ostrander  
Music: Ferd, Wes & Dylan  
Lector: Erika Dielman  
Lay Minister: Mickey Bridge  
Prayer Team: Sally & Leah  
Usher/Counter: Don L. / Mark D.  
Greeter: The Bowmans  
Coffee Hour: The Williams

**MARCH 28, MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Altar Guild: Liz Ostrander  
Music: Ferd, Wes & Dylan  
Lector: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lay Minister: \_\_\_\_\_  
Usher: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greeter: \_\_\_\_\_

**MARCH 29, GOOD FRIDAY**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 12:30 PM:**  
Altar Guild: Liz Ostrander  
Music: TBD \_\_\_\_\_  
Crucifer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greeter: \_\_\_\_\_

**MARCH 29, GOOD FRIDAY 6:30 PM:**

Altar Guild: Liz Ostrander  
Lector: Dan Wandrie  
Lay Minister: Erika Dielman  
Usher: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greeter: \_\_\_\_\_

**MARCH 31, EASTER SUNDAY:**

Altar Guild: Liz Ostrander  
Music: Ferd, Wes & Dylan  
Lector: Dylan Williams  
Lay Minister: Karen Dielman  
Usher/Counter: Mark D. / Randy F.  
Greeter: Sally Stump  
No Coffee Hour: Happy Easter

*Please sign up in Blanz Hall today*

*if you would like to volunteer to service on*

*Maundy Thursday and/or Good Friday.*

**JESUS COMES TO JERUSALEM AS KING - PALM SUNDAY**

As they approached Jerusalem, Jesus sent two disciples into the village for a donkey and told them to exclaim...the lord needs them. This fulfilled the prophesy "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" When coming in to town, a very large crowd spread their cloaks and palm branches on the ground shouting "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Palm leaves represent righteousness. Thus begins the journey of Holy week.