

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025 | 8 a.m.



Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, Pietro Lorezetti (circa 1320)

≫WELCOME≪

We are so glad that you have come to the Cathedral. We would love to get to know you. If you would like to learn about our community, please fill out a connection card that can be found in front of your seat. You can place the card in the silver offering plate that passes by half way through the service or simply hand it to an usher. You can also go to our website at jaxcathedral.org/welcome and fill out a welcome card online.

CHILDREN

We love having children join us and they are always welcome in worship. We embrace their energy and joy they bring to our church family! While in church, **Blessings Bags** are available on the Narthex rack to help keep hands and minds engaged. They contain quiet activities and materials to enhance their worship experience. Feel free to borrow one during the service and return afterward so they can be shared with others. If you need a **quieter space**, a sitting area with a live stream of the service is available near Taliaferro Hall. Ask an Usher for directions.

We also offer the **Hakimian Nursery**, staffed with trained caregivers for babies and toddlers up to 3. The nursery is open on Sundays from 9 a.m. to Noon. Children ages 4 and up are invited to gather in the Narthex at the start of the 10:30 a.m. service to join in the Procession and proceed to **Children's Faith Formation**, rejoining their families at the Peace. Thank you for making worship a family experience!

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, in the hospital, or wish to receive home communion, please call the church at (904) 356-5507 to let us know. St. John's clergy and chaplains are on call every day and will respond quickly and confidentially. If you are unable to attend services in person, licensed eucharistic visitors are available to bring you communion upon request. If you need to reach us after hours, dial the number above and select option 4 to be connected with

clergy. You may also submit requests through the cathedral website: https://jaxcathedral.org/pastoral-care

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Sunday Programs during the 9 a.m. Education Hour

Breakfast, Taliaferro Hall

Stop by for coffee and breakfast. Take it to your class or enjoy it in the Sunday Flex Cafe.

Digital Disciples, Zoom

Sign up links for this online class are sent in the Eagle and by email on Sunday mornings.

Dean's Forum, Taliaferro Hall (cancelled on Palm Sunday)

Engage @ Jax Cathedral, Burwell Court Join us as we explore Lent, the Episcopal Church, and ways to engage at the Cathedral Led by Tom 6

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Children and Families Program, Ingram Lounge (cancelled on Palm Sunday)

A casual and interactive Family Service will be held on the first Sunday of every month beginning at 9 a.m. On all other Sundays, families will find a haven in the Sunday Flex Cafe. Drop in as you please from 9 to 10:15 a.m. Grab some breakfast and unwind in cozy surroundings while children (ages 4 through 5th Grade) engage in creative activities.

Undercroft open for Teens

>> THE HOLY EUCHARIST ≪

Voluntary

The Palms, Jean-Baptiste Fauré

At the sound of the bell, all stand.

> 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 now hear the words of the Gospel of Luke.

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

-Luke 19:28-40

Celebrant

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People

Hosanna in the highest.

Hymn 154 (St. 1-3)

"All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!" Valet will ich dir geben

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence.

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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**.

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (read in unison)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever."

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! Lord, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord. God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you." Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

> THE PASSION GOSPEL ❖

Luke 23:1-49

The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted. The Congregation reads the parts for the **People** in bold. The Congregation is seated until the verse that mentions Jesus' arrival at Golgotha.

Narrator The assembly of the elders of the people rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They

began to accuse him, saying,

People "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."

Narrator Then Pilate asked him,

Pilate "Are you the king of the Jews?"

Narrator He answered, Jesus "You say so."

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Narrator Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, Pilate "I find no basis for an accusation against this man."

Narrator But they were insistent and said,

People "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

Narrator 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 wanting 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 has 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."

Narrator

Then they all shouted out together,

People

"Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"

Narrator

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,

People

"Crucify, crucify him!"

Narrator

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 then release him."

Narrator

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 the 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?"

Narrator

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

+ All Stand +

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."

Narrator

And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

People

"He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"

Narrator **People**

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

Narrator

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,

Criminal 1

"Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

Narrator

But the other rebuked him, saying,

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Criminal 2 "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."

Narrator Then he said,

Criminal 2 "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Narrator He replied,

Jesus "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Narrator 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."

Narrator Having said this, he breathed his last.

+ Silence +

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

People "Certainly this man was innocent."

Narrator And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken

place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these

things.

All sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Mark S. Anderson

A period of silence is kept.

All stand.

The Nicene Creed

All 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Eternal and Merciful One, we thank you that you have given us the gift of life. Help

us to be generous like you and to use our resources for the benefit of others.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We ask you to bless the sick, the poor, the lonely and outcast, the immigrant and

refugee and all those who find themselves without a home.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We ask you to guide the people of this nation, that we may serve justice and promote

the dignity of every human being.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We ask you to guide us in caring for this beautiful earth that you have given us.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We ask you to bring peace among races and people, among all the nations of the

world.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We ask you to embrace the souls of those that we love who have died.

In your great mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another with the peace of Jesus.

Welcome and Announcements



As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256. Or use the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.

> THE HOLY COMMUNION ≪

LEVAS Hymn 136

"I have decided to follow Jesus"

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

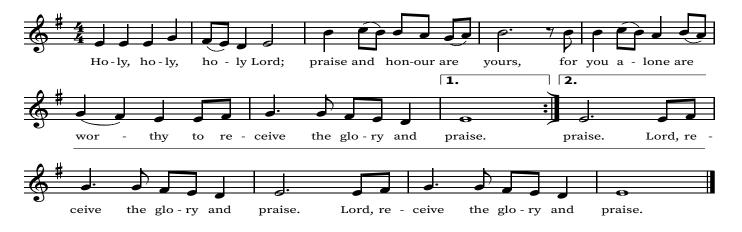
Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Liat Chung Ham



All stand or kneel.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

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.

Agnus Dei (spoken)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All who long for God are welcome to receive communion. Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance. A socially distant communion table is set in the chapel to the left of the altar (the North Transcept). Intercessory prayers may be received at the Baptismal Font.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant

The blessing of God Almighty be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

All stand.

Hymn 168 (St. 1-3)

"O scared head, sore wounded"

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

Dismissal

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.



The palms are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Sanford Bond, Jr. by the Magevney Family.

There is no music following today's service because we are already contemplating the costly and wondrous love poured out on this most holy of all weeks.

Join us for Holy Week at St. John's Cathedral

Holy Wednesday, April 16

• 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.--Wrestle Art Walk: A Walk and Talk with the artist, Dr. Linda Privitera, in Taliaferro Hall

Maundy Thursday, April 17

- 7 p.m.--Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar
- 8 p.m.--Prayer Watch in homes until 12 p.m. Friday. If you would like to participate in the Prayer Watch, scan the QR code to choose a time slot.

Good Friday, April 18

- 12-3 p.m.--Good Friday Liturgy: The Seven Last Words of Christ; This reflective service
 offers a sacred space for contemplation and spiritual renewal. People may come and go as
 they please.
- 7 p.m.--Stations of the Cross with Music and Poetry, with Tim Tuller and The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera

Holy Saturday, April 19

- 7 a.m.--Holy Saturday Sunrise: Meet at Bold Bean Coffee in Jax Beach and we will walk 3 blocks to the beach for a brief meditation
- 9 a.m.--Holy Saturday Liturgy, followed by decorating the Cathedral with lillies

Easter Sunday, April 20

- 6 a.m.--The Great Vigil: The first celebration of Easter begins in candlelight with Holy Baptism. We greet the sunrise with The Great Noise and Holy Eucharist. (Bring your noisemakers!)
- 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m.--Nursery Open
- 9 a.m.--Family Eucharist & Flowering of the Cross: Children are encouraged to bring fresh cut flowers for the cross
- 10:15 a.m.--Easter Egg Hunt in the Bishop's Garden; Please bring your own basket or bag. A professional photographer will be present for family photo opportunities.
- 11:15 a.m.--Choral Eucharist with Incense

≫ LOVE AT THE CORE ❖

Love at the Core is our motto; it refers to the heart of who we are. For nearly 200 years, St. John's Cathedral has sought to lead people in worship and community service here in the urban core of Jacksonville. We believe that through beauty, art, and worship we can draw people into community to experience God's love and serve those in need. We are a diverse congregation that welcomes all people. You are welcome to learn about the love of Jesus with us.

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Mark S. Anderson
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The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera Associate Priest



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The Rev. Thomas O'Dell
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