



8 AM & 10:30 AM

March 29, 2026

*The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday*



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## April 5: Easter Sunday

### TODAY

#### Palm Sunday

**9:30am - Palm Sunday Procession,**

*begins at the corner of Duval St./Market St.*

Follow Jesus on horseback down Duval Street to James Weldon Johnson Park, then back to the Cathedral via Church Street. Let's wave our palms and raise our voices in joyous alleluia!

#### Easter Lilies

Donating an Easter lily in memory or in thanksgiving of someone special is a lovely way of honoring their life and celebrating the joy of the Resurrection. If you would like to make a donation to the Easter Lily fund, visit [jaxcathedral.org/easter-lily-donation](http://jaxcathedral.org/easter-lily-donation), or scan the QR code shown here. If you would like to add a dedication, you may do so in the memo line. **Requests must be received by this afternoon to be printed in the Easter bulletins.**



#### 6am- The Great Vigil

Easter Vigil begins in the darkened Cathedral with the Service of Light: kindling a bonfire and lighting the Paschal candle. Bring handbells, horns, or other noisemakers to join in Great Noise celebrating Christ's resurrection! The Vigil culminates with the Eucharist. Alleluia! Christ is risen! Bring noisemakers, party horns, handbells! A breakfast in Taliaferro Hall follows this service.

#### 9am- Family Service with the Flowering of the Cross

Dean Kate Moorehead Carroll will preach, and the space will be filled with glorious music. Children are invited to take part in the beloved tradition of the Flowering of the Cross — bring fresh-cut flowers and help transform the cross into a beautiful symbol of new life and hope.

#### 10:30am- Easter Egg Hunt

Bring your basket and get ready for a joyful Easter tradition! Hunt for hundreds of eggs hidden throughout the beautiful interior gardens of the Cathedral.

#### 11:15am- Holy Eucharist with Incense

Experience the fullness of Easter joy at this grand celebration of the Resurrection! Featuring incense, bells, and soaring music, this service invites you into a rich and reverent worship experience. Come and rejoice!

### Prayer Watch

Following the Maundy Thursday service, we invite you to join The Watch, a sacred time of prayer and reflection that continues through noon on Good Friday. Inspired by Jesus' words in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Could you not keep awake one hour?" (Mark 14:37), this vigil is an opportunity to remain present with Christ in his final hours. Participants are encouraged to commit to at least 30 minutes of prayer at home, creating a space for quiet contemplation and connection with God. This practice, observed by Christians for centuries, reminds us of the disciples' struggle to stay awake with Jesus and calls us into deeper faithfulness in prayer.

**Sign up for your prayer time(s) by scanning the QR code here.**



### Coming Soon

#### Dean's Forum: "Peacemakers"

**Sun., 9am, April 26-May 10, Taliaferro Hall**

We, as children of God, are called to understand peacemaking in our world, families & our Christian community. We will have guest speakers and lively conversation at our tables. Don't miss this timely forum.

#### Easteride Bible Study: "Lessons from the life of David"

**Wed., 7:30am & 11am, April 15 - May 13, Taliaferro Hall**

The Rev. Mark Anderson and the Rev. Tom O'Dell offer a comprehensive look at David's background, anointing, struggles, legacy, and the lessons for life that we can learn.

### Outreach

From **February 22-April 5 (Easter Sunday)**, St. John's Cathedral is holding a diaper drive for immigrants and refugees, in partnership with Lutheran Social Services. We are requesting diapers from size P to size 7. Drop off your donations at the Cathedral Bookstore to receive 10% off a purchase! Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our outreach ministries.

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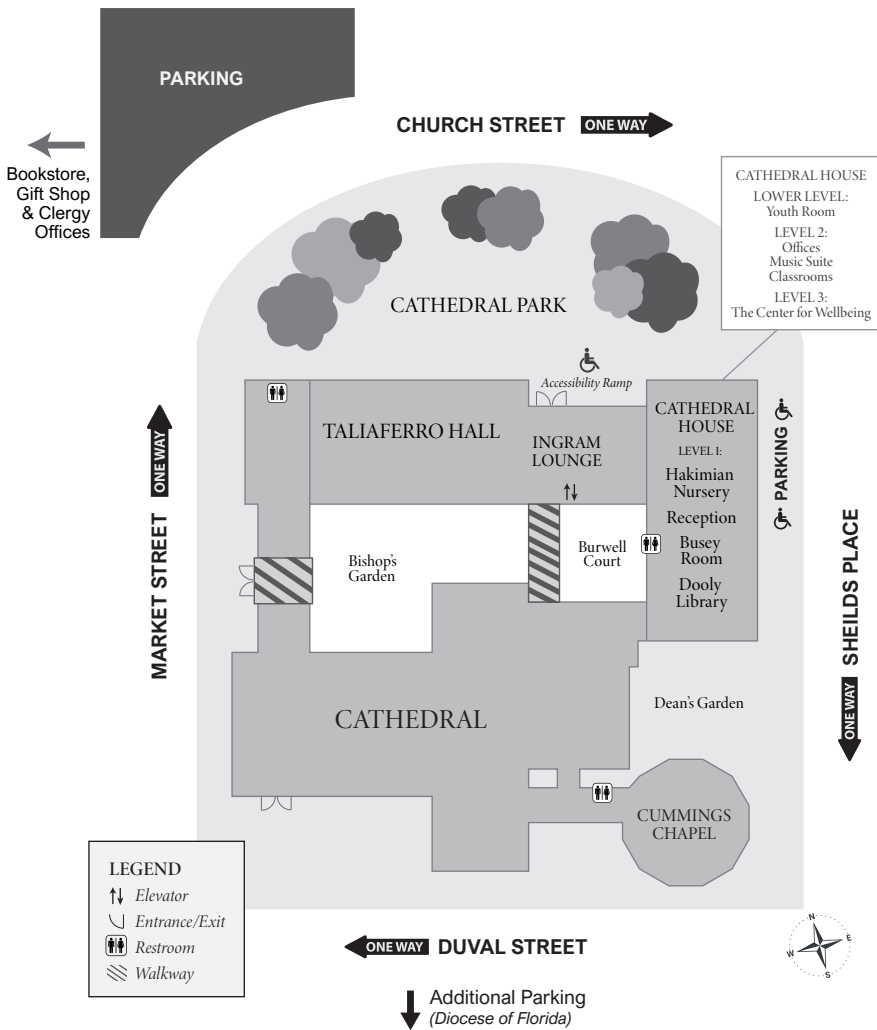
## WELCOME

Whether you're visiting for the first time or you've been worshipping here for years, our welcome ministry, **Engage@JaxCathedral**, is here to help you make a home for your faith at St. John's Cathedral.

Fill out the Welcome card in the pew back and place it in the offering plate, or complete the form online at [jaxcathedral.org/welcome](http://jaxcathedral.org/welcome) (or scan the QR code) so we can get to know you.



## MAP



## HOURS & INFORMATION

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8am Holy Eucharist, spoken

9am Breakfast  
Adult Formation: Dean's Forum, *Taliaferro Hall*

For Children & Families: Family Eucharist (First Sundays), *Cummings Chapel*, Family Flex Cafe (activities for children ages 4 - 10), *Ingram Lounge*

10:30am Holy Eucharist, Rite II with organ and choir

Children gather in the Taliaferro Hall foyer before the 10:30 a.m. service, and return to their families at the Peace. Blessing Bags with quiet activities are available for children. Please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.

11:45am Lunch and Fellowship, *Taliaferro Hall*

**Hakiman Family Nursery Hours**  
10am to Noon

**St. John's Cathedral Bookstore & Gift Shop Hours**  
Sun: 9am to 12:30pm  
M-Th: 10am to 4pm  
F: 10am to 3pm

### Vestry

John Sefton, *Chancellor*; Martha Cox, *Sr. Warden*; Patrick Kimball, *Jr. Warden*; Paul Arrington, *Treasurer*; John Bass, John Erstling, Glenn Guiler, T. R. Hainline, Paige Hakimian, Lewis Hunt, Lisa McKenna, Laura Jane Pittman, Louis Russo, Adam Smith, Shane Williams

### Clergy

The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead Carroll, *Dean*; The Rev. Canon Mark S. Anderson, *Vicar*; The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera, *Associate Priest of Theology and the Arts*; The Rev. Thomas O'Dell, *Associate Priest for Welcome and Engagement*; The Rev. Sandra Kidd, *Deacon for Pastoral Care and Outreach*

### Music

Timothy Tuller, *Canon for Music*

Throughout this service, items in **bold** are spoken by the congregation in unison.

At the sound of the bell, all stand. The bell tolls nine times, three times three is a symbol of the Trinity.

On Palm Sunday, before we process, we read the story of how Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey and the people waved palm branches to welcome him:  
*Matthew 21:1-11*

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Voluntary

The Palms, Jean-Baptiste Fauré

Introit (10:30 a.m.)

Jerusalem!, Giovanni Biondi

*Jerusalem!  
Convertere ad Dominum Deum tuum!*

Jerusalem!  
O turn thyself unto thy Lord God!

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Let us now hear the words of the Gospel according to Matthew.

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right to 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 proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches 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 leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

In Procession, Hymn #154 (8 a.m. St. 1-3) "All glory, laud, and honor, to thee Redeemer, King"  
*Valet will ich dir geben*

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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 31:9-16

**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my throat and my belly.**

**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me  
because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

**I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors, a dismay to  
those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.**

**I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

**For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their  
heads together against me; they plot to take my life.**

**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, "You are my God.**

**My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from  
those who persecute me.**

**Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me."**

Hymn #168 (10:30 a.m.)

"O sacred head, sore wounded" *Passion Chorale*

1982 Hymnal.

THE PASSION GOSPEL: MATTHEW 26:14-27:66

At 8 a.m., the Passion reading begins on page 8.

The Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted. The Congregation reads the parts in bold, and is seated until the verse that mentions Jesus' arrival at Golgotha. Members of our congregation will help us bring this scripture to life by participating the the reading.

Narrator One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,

Judas What will you give me if I betray him to you?

Narrator They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying,

Disciples Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

Narrator He said,

Jesus Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'

Narrator So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,

Jesus Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.

Narrator And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,

Disciples Surely not I, Lord?

Narrator He answered,

Jesus The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.

Narrator Judas, who betrayed him, said,

Judas Surely not I, Rabbi?

Narrator He replied,

Jesus You have said so.

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

Jesus Take, eat; this is my body.

Narrator Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,

Jesus Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

Narrator When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.

Narrator Peter said to him,

Peter Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

Narrator Jesus said to him,

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

Narrator Peter said to him,

Peter Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Narrator And so said all the disciples. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

Jesus Sit here while I go over there and pray.

Narrator He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

Jesus I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.

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

Jesus My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.

Narrator Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Narrator Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

Jesus My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.

Narrator Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

Jesus Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

Narrator While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

Judas The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

Narrator At once he came up to Jesus and said,

Judas Greetings, Rabbi!

Narrator and kissed him. Jesus said to him,

Jesus Friend, do what you are here to do.

Narrator Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,

Jesus Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?

Narrator At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

Jesus Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.

Narrator Then all the disciples deserted him and fled. Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said,

**People This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'**

Narrator The high priest stood up and said,

Priest Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Narrator But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,

Priest I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.

Narrator Jesus said to him,

Jesus You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.

Narrator Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

Priest He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?

Narrator They answered,

**People He deserves death.**

Narrator Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying,

**People Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?**

Narrator Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,

Girl You also were with Jesus the Galilean.

Narrator But he denied it before all of them, saying,

Peter I do not know what you are talking about.

Narrator When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,

Girl This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.

Narrator Again he denied it with an oath,

Peter I do not know the man.

Narrator After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

**People **Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.****

Narrator Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

Peter I do not know the man!

Narrator At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said:

Jesus Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.

Narrator And he went out and wept bitterly. When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said,

Judas I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.

Narrator But they said,

Priest What is that to us? See to it yourself.

Narrator Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,

Priest It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.

Narrator After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

Narrator Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

Pilate Are you the King of the Jews?

Narrator Jesus said,

Jesus You say so.

Narrator But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

Pilate Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?

Narrator But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,

Pilate Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?

*At 8 a.m., the Passion reading begins here.*



Narrator For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.

Wife While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.

Narrator Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

Pilate Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

Narrator And they said,

**People Barabbas.**

Narrator Pilate said to them,

Pilate Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

Narrator All of them said,

**People Let him be crucified!**

Narrator Then he asked,

Pilate Why, what evil has he done?

Narrator But they shouted all the more,

**People Let him be crucified!**

Narrator So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,

Pilate I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

Narrator Then the people as a whole answered,

**People His blood be on us and on our children!**

Narrator So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying,

**People Hail, King of the Jews!**

Narrator They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.

Narrator And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

**People You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.**

Narrator In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

**People He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'**

*All stand.*

Narrator The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,  
 Jesus Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?  
 Narrator That is,  
 Jesus My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
 Narrator When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,  
**People This man is calling for Elijah.**  
 Narrator At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,  
**People Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.**  
 Narrator Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

Narrator At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,  
**People Truly this man was God's Son!**  
 Narrator Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,  
 Priest Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first.  
 Narrator Pilate said to them,  
 Pilate You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.  
 Narrator So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

The Sermon The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead Carroll  
 The Nicene Creed

**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**

*Silence.*

*All sit.  
 A period of silence is kept following the sermon.*

*All stand.*

*The Nicene Creed is a statement of trust, and not of certainty. We are saying "We believe in you, God."*

**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

As Jesus was led into the wilderness to spend forty days fasting and trusting the faithfulness of God, so lead us into this holy season and through the deserts of our own lives, that we also may learn to trust in God's faithfulness. God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

For your Church in every place, and for this community: shape our life together; may the weary find rest, the wounded find healing, and those searching find a home.

God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

For the nations of the earth, and for all in authority. Where there is war, sow reconciliation. Where injustice persists, awaken courage. Where cynicism has taken root, raise up leaders who hunger for righteousness. God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

For those walking through the wilderness: those battling mental illness, addiction, or anxiety; those experiencing poverty, food insecurity, or incarceration; the unhoused, the immigrant, the refugee. God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

For our own lives: give us balance. When we cling to what cannot save us, teach us to let go. When we hide from truth, give us courage. When we doubt your love, hold us fast. God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

For those who have died, and for all who mourn. Hold us in the promise that nothing, not suffering, not sin, not even death, can separate us from your love in Christ.

God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

We give you thanks for your love and grace. Transform our gratitude into repentance, our repentance into freedom, our freedom into love, and our love into a witness that leads others to you. God of mercy,

**Renew us in your grace.**

*The Prayers of the People are written by our clergy at the start of each season.*

*The celebrant adds a concluding prayer.*

*The Resurrected Christ, when he appeared to the disciples, said these words.*

*As the altar is prepared for Holy 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 Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

O vos omnes, Tomás Luis de Victoria

*O vos omnes qui transitis per viam,  
attendite et videte si est dolor  
sicut dolor meus.*

All you who pass along this way,  
behold and see if there is any sorrow  
like unto my sorrow.

### Hymn #148 (St. 1 & 5)

"Creator of the earth and skies" *Uffingham*

### The Great Thanksgiving

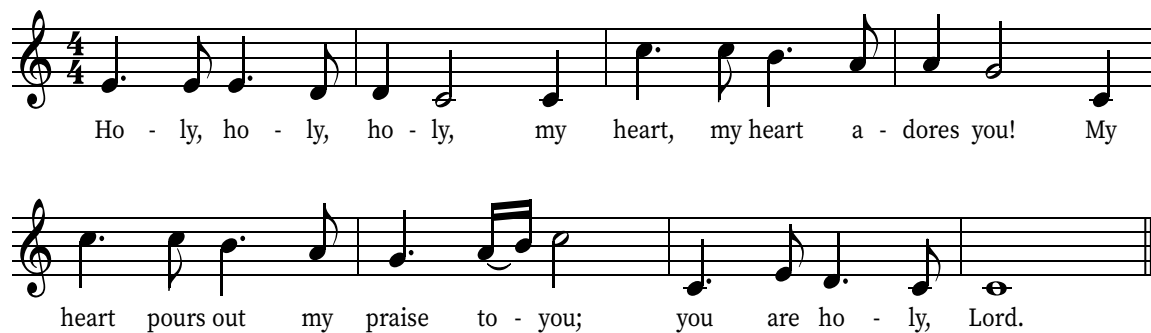
Enriching Our Worship I

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My  
heart pours out my praise to - you; you are ho - ly, Lord.

*The Sanctus is sung 3 times.*

*This ancient song, called the Sanctus, is sung by the angels in the book of Revelation.*

*All kneel or stand as able.*

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.

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:

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

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,

**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 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.

Music at Communion (10:30 a.m.)

Organ Prelude on *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*, Johannes Brahms

Hymn #167 "There is a green hill far away" *Horsley*

Motet Hosanna to the Son of David, Everett Titcomb

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!

*These words come from Scripture:*

*Matthew 26:26-29*

*Mark 14:22-25*

*Luke 22:14-20*

*1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

*All who long for God are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not baptized, we invite you to speak with a member of the clergy about Baptism, the doorway into the Church's full sacramental life.*

*Everyone is also welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest.*

*Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance.*

*If you are in need of confidential prayers, please come to the chapel to the right of the altar (the South Transcept).*

*At 10:30 a.m., a socially-distant communion table is set in the chapel to the left of the altar (the North Transcept).*

*We thank God for the gift of Christ's body and blood.*

## Prayer of Sending and Service

Let us pray.

**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.**

## The Blessing

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

*All stand. 1982 Hymnal.  
We follow the cross into the world to be the hands and feet of Christ.*

In Recession, Hymn #168 (8 a.m.)

“O sacred head, sore wounded” *Passion Chorale*

In Recession, Hymn #439 (10:30 a.m.)

“What wondrous love is this” *Wondrous Love*

## The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



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

*The flowers at the altar today are given in thanksgiving for the baptism of Henry Grey Sobeck.*

# Calendar

## MON. 3/30

### 8am - Centering Prayer, Zoom

Start your week off with guided centering prayer. Contact Owene at owene\_courtney@yahoo.com.

### 6-7:15pm - Yoga, Cummings Chapel

Free, gentle yoga practice, led by Megan Cochran.

## TUES. 3/31

### 10am - Art Group, The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)

Come paint with us. Contact Kathie at meuselbachkl@yahoo.com.

### 4pm - Cancer Support Group, Room 303

All are welcome, regardless of faith tradition or stage in the journey. Contact Lisa at lisamck@bellsouth.net.

### 6:30pm - Spires in the Sun History Chat,

San Marco Public Library

Join us for a history chat with the Jacksonville Public Library and *Spires in the Sun* author, Jonathan Rich. There will be a Meet & Greet/Book-Signing before and after the history chat. Learn more and register on the Jacksonville Public Library website--scan the QR code here!



## WED. 4/1

### 12:10pm - Healing Service, Cummings Chapel

A weekly gathering of prayer and the Holy Eucharist.

### 5:30pm - Stations of the Cross Sound Bath, Taliaferro Hall

Led by the Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera, this contemplative experience weaves together art, story, and sound. We will journey through seven stations, pausing at crosses from our Lenten exhibition *Crosses*. Each reflection will be followed by a sound bath meditation, creating space for stillness, prayer, and deep listening.

### 6pm - Art Group, The Painting Place (under Taliaferro Hall)

Gather with fellow artists and paint to your heart's content. Contact Heather at chihuahua7044@att.net.

## THURS. 4/2

### 8:15am - Divorce Support Group, Room 304

### 9:30am - Centering Prayer, Dooly Library

Let go of distractions; open your heart to the divine within.

### 6pm - Maundy Thursday Service, Cathedral Nave

Following tradition, we offer foot washing as a symbol of humility and service, inviting all who wish to participate. As the service concludes, the Altar is solemnly stripped, lights are dimmed, and all depart in silence.

## FRI. 4/3

### 9am - Reading Between the Lines, Zoom

An online Scripture study supplemented by art, literature, poetry. Contact Owene at ocourtney@jaxcathedral.org.

### 12-3pm - Good Friday Service, Cathedral Nave

Join us as we journey through "The Seven Last Words of Christ." A musical meditation follows each homily. People may come and go as they please.

### 6pm - Stations of the Cross in

Immigrants' Stories, Cathedral Nave

This prayerful liturgy invites us to walk with Jesus on the road to Calvary while reflecting on the experiences of immigrants today. As we move through the stations, stories of hardship, resilience, and hope will be shared in English and Spanish, accompanied by music and moments of silence.

## SAT. 4/4

### 7am - Holy Saturday Sunrise Walk with Tom and

Linda O'Dell, meet in the Bonefish Grill parking lot on the NW corner of South 25th Ave. & 3rd St

Experience the ocean's austerity on this somber day. Remembering Jesus's death on the Cross and his call to justice, we will gather at sunrise. For directions, contact Linda O'Dell: lodell@jaxcathedral.org.

## SUN. 4/5: EASTER SUNDAY

See page 2 for details about our Easter Sunday schedule.

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**Coming up!**

**TUES. 4/14: SPIRES IN THE SUN ROAD TRIP 2.0**

Join ART@noon for this art walk! Your \$35 ticket includes a complimentary copy of *Spires in the Sun: The Carpenter Gothic Episcopal Churches of Florida*, and author-led visits to two of the churches featured in the book: Trinity Episcopal Church in Melrose and St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Starke. Attendees are invited to enjoy lunch in Melrose at the Blue Water Bay restaurant, and dinner in Green Cove Springs (meals not included in ticket price). For more information and to purchase tickets, scan the QR code here!



**WED. 4/15, 6pm, Taliaferro Hall: C-CHANGE CONVERSATION: BREAKING THE SILENCE**

St. John's Cathedral welcomes Kathleen Biggins, founder and president of C-Change Conversations, for an evening of thoughtful dialogue presented in partnership with St. Johns Riverkeeper and the Jacksonville Climate Coalition. Participants can expect a clear, accessible overview of climate science, insight into how climate trends are already affecting communities like ours along the St. Johns River, and space to engage thoughtfully with neighbors who may see the issue differently. Whether you feel deeply concerned, uncertain, skeptical, or simply curious, this evening offers an opportunity to listen, learn, and reflect together. Scan the QR code for more information and to register.



**SUNDAYS 4/19-5/3: NEWCOMER CLASS**

If you are new to the Cathedral or are simply looking to renew your faith, join the **Rev. Tom O'Dell at 9am in the Cathedral House Reception area**. This will be an informative series, answering your questions about life at the Cathedral and in the Episcopal Church.

Questions: [todell@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:todell@jaxcathedral.org).

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