



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*We follow Jesus, welcome all, and nurture ministries.*



Online Bulletin

## The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Year B

March 25, 2018 10:15 a.m.

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### *Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.*

*Whether this is your first visit or you have been a member for years, we're glad you're here! This bulletin is designed to guide you through the service. Hymnals, Bibles and the Book of Common Prayer are in the pews and available for your use as well.*

*Our youngest guests are welcome to attend services or may join Miss Wendy in the nursery (room 2) where we have toys, Bible Stories, music and art projects available.*

*Our Sunday school program (K-grade 5) begins at 10am on the Labyrinth. After joining the procession in the church, our program continues in room 7 where they participate in Children's Chapel, hear a Bible story, and enjoy fun and engaging activities related to that story. Children return to the church to join their families for Eucharist.*

*Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets in the Youth Center at 10am for the opportunity to explore the Bible, express their faith through art and discuss important questions. They join us for Eucharist.*

*Again, welcome and please let us know if there's anything we can do to make your time with us more enriching and enjoyable.*

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*We gather in Kahler Hall then move to the patio around the fountain.*

### **Welcome**

The Reverend Susan Bek

### **Holy Water Blessing**

*Children are invited to gather at the fountain and help bless the water that will be used to bless our palms and palm crosses.*

*Celebrant* Almighty God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into new life, and by the power of your life-giving Spirit ever cleanses and sanctifies your people: Bless, we pray you, this water for the service of your holy Church; and grant that it may be a sign of the cleansing and refreshment of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*People* **Cleanse me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**

## *Liturgy of the Palms*

### **Opening Salutation**

*Celebrant* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

*People* **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

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. **Amen.**

*Here is read Mark 11:1-11.*

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then 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.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God 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.**

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

*People* **Hosanna in the highest.**

*Palms will be distributed as you begin to process.*

### ***Procession to the Church***

*Deacon* Let us go forth in peace;  
*People* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*All process to the entrance of the church singing (Procession of the Palms by Felix Eisenhauer).*

Ho - sa - na Ho - sa - na Ho - sa - na in the high - est!  
Blessed is he\_ who comes in the name of the Lord!

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 8/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The music is simple and rhythmic, suitable for a procession.

*Please stop and gather outside the church doors.*

*Said at the entrance of the church.*

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please enter the church and take your seats.*

**People's Processional**      *The Royal Banners*      *James Mansfield*

*Please stand at the sound of the bell.*

**Processional Hymn**      **All glory, laud, and honor**      **Hymnal 154**

### ***Liturgy of the Word***

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* **God's mercy endures for ever.**

#### **Collect of the Day**

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

*Please be seated.*

*As Episcopalians, our custom is to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest Holy Scripture. You are invited to do so right here in your bulletin.*

## **First Reading**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens — wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 31:9-16**

- 9 Have mercy on me, O God , for I am in trouble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
- 11 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.
- 12 I am forgotten like the dead, out of mind; \*  
I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 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.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O God. \*  
I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me."

**Gradual Hymn**

**Ride On, King Jesus**

**Lift Every Voice & Sing 97**

*All stand as they are able to sing the hymn.*

Ride on, King— Je - sus, No man can - a hin - der me.  
 Je - sus, ride on, no man — can - a 1.  
 Ride on, King— Je - sus, ride on, no man can - a hin - der me.  
 2. **Fine**  
 hin - der me. 1. King Je - sus rides a milk - white horse, No man works like  
 2. I know that my re - deem - er lives,  
 D.C.  
 Him, 1. De riv - er Jor - d'n He did cross no man works like Him. Oh  
 2. And of His bless - ing free - ly gives,

**The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark** *(refer to handout)*

*Please be seated for the Passion Gospel. At the mention of Golgotha, please stand.*

*The congregation will read the part of the crowd.*

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Susan Bek

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

**Prayers of the People**

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*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

*Deacon*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

*Leader*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord**

**Hymnal S130**

*The Service Music can be found in the front of the hymnal.*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

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

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed 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.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

Be known to us Lord, Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

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 are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine made holy. The table we set is the Lord's. Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome at communion. Our custom is to receive the bread in your open palm. Please tell the priest if you prefer a gluten-free wafer. Sip the wine, if you wish it, from the common cup, guiding the chalice gently with your hand or the Eucharistic Minister will dip the bread for you. Otherwise, cross your arms over your chest as a sign you wish a blessing from the priest.*

*Trained lay prayer ministers are stationed in the chapel or beside the vigil candle rack to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed. Rejoin the other worshipers for the post communion prayer.*

### **Communion Music**

*Jesus Died on Calvary's Mountain*  
*Macaria Martinez, soloist*

*K. Lee Scott*

*When Jesus Wept*

*William Billings, Robin Nixon*

*Jesus Remember Me*

*Talzé*

**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

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**

*When the Eucharist is being taken out to those who are sick or shut-in, we will pray together.*

**In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

## Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage.  
Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the faint hearted. Support the weak.  
Help the afflicted. Honor all people.  
Love and serve the Lord rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And the blessing of Almighty God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this day and forever more. **Amen.**

## Concluding Hymn

**Ah, holy Jesus**

**Hymnal 158**

*Remain standing or kneeling.*

*Once the candles are extinguished, the ministers leave in silence followed by the congregation.*

*Please take your Holy Week flier with you and join us for as many Holy Week services as you can.*

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*Many thanks to Plant Warehouse, Somis for donating the beautiful palms.*



## About Palm Crosses

Members of our congregations gathered yesterday to participate in the ancient practice of Palm Cross Making. The crosses presented to you this morning were made lovingly and prayerfully. They have been blessed and set apart as holy. Please treat them with the respect and reverence reserved for holy things. Many people keep their palm cross all year long as a reminder of the love that Jesus' has for us and of the sacrifice he made for us all. Palm crosses may be returned to the church next year in advance of Ash Wednesday. They are burned and help to make up the ashes we use that day. If you need to dispose of blessed palms or palm crosses, please put them in the garden or bury them in the ground. We prefer that holy things not be put in the trash. Thank you!

## ***Welcome! We're so glad you're here.***

- Our ushers welcome your inquiries. They can provide assisted listening devices, information about our ministries, as well as directions to the restrooms, nursery, and classrooms.
  - Please take the brochure from the pew and learn more about St. Paul's and our traditional worship, dynamic preaching and a call to serve.
  - You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service and we hope you will stay for Fellowship & Formation from 11:30-noon.
  - Infants and children are welcome here. Children under five years old may receive care in the nursery (room 2) from 10-noon. Parents are also welcome to keep their children with them and may have access to the nursery for their convenience. The service can be heard from the narthex (lobby) and activity bags for children can be found there.
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## Highlights of This Week at St. Paul's

<b>Today</b> 3/25	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	9:30 am	Procession to VCMC
	11:30 am	Fellowship & Formation (Kahler Hall)
	11:30 am	Children's Music Workshop (Music Room)
	4:30 pm	Abundant Table Farm Church (Chapel, Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
<b>Monday</b> 3/26	11:30 am	Tai Chi Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Tues.</b> 3/27		
<b>Wed.</b> 3/28	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:30 am	Tai Chi Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
<b>Thurs.</b> 3/29	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (Choir Room)
	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday Service (Church)</b>
	<b>9:00 pm</b>	<b>Keeping the Watch Begins (Church)</b>
<b>Fri.</b> 3/30	<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>Good Friday Candlelight Walk (Labyrinth)</b>
	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:15 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Good Friday Service (Church)</b>
	3:00 pm	Bell Rings & Church is closed. (Church)
<b>Sat</b> 3/31	9:00 am	Flower Arranging Workshop & Decorating (Church)
	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>The Great Vigil Service (Church)</b>

### *Serving This Week*

10:15am

<b>Acolytes</b>	India Howeth, Judy Wareham, Gina Trevisan
<b>Chalice</b>	Larry Myers, RoseAnn Hill
<b>Psalm</b>	Larry Myers
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Lori Redding
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Ernie Fickerson
<b>Ushers</b>	Tamara Nerdrum, Woody Bretz
<b>Eucharistic Prayer Ministry</b>	Kathleen Crookston
<b>Pastoral Team for Eucharist Kit</b>	Kathleen Crookston, Pam Owens
<b>Sunday School Leaders</b>	Bridget Nahabedian, Heidi Trevisan
<b>Welcome Ministry</b>	Jennifer Golland
<b>Hospitality</b>	Alday, Kelly, Jackson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dela Parker, Rose Hayden-Smith, Jennifer Golland
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Thank you to all who participated on Saturday!
<b>Counters</b>	Louise Bretz
<b>Facility Lock Up</b>	Greg McCombs

## ***Prayer Intentions for the Week of March 25, 2018***

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury  
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop  
John Taylor, Bishop Diocesan  
Diane Bruce, Bishop Suffragan

President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts  
Governor Jerry Brown, Legislature, State Courts  
Our clergy: Susan Bek, Ed Steever, Dick Swanson

### ***HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:***

Lillian, Wayne, Marilyn, Adele, Babs, James, Jacob, Jim, Carolyn, Stephanie, Maggie, Duncan, Shelia, Janet, Frank, Julie, Helen, Kevin, Paul, Carol, Randy, Carolin, Anzhela, Stacy, Stacie

### ***THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:***

Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Lucille, Rachel, Kathy, Doug, Kim

*Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month. Contact the office with your request which may be added at any time. If you prefer your prayers to remain confidential, the Daughters of the King will add them to their daily prayer list for one month. They may be requested and/or renewed by using the prayer cards in the pews.*

### ***FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON:***

- + The spiritual, physical and moral development of our children and youth; the children, youth, and adult leaders of our Sunday School, Youth Group, Boy Scout Troop 179; La Famiglia Preschool, TLC Plus and VCSAGE.
- + U.S. Armed Forces personnel serving around the world and wounded warriors cared for in medical centers and those returned home.

### ***GIVE THANKS FOR:***

- + Our partners in the Diocese of Los Angeles Deanery One in Ventura County: *St. Columba's*, Camarillo; *Trinity*, Fillmore; *St. Andrew's*, Ojai; *All Saints'*, Oxnard; *St. Paul's/Emmanuel*, Santa Paula; *St. Francis'*, Simi Valley; *St. Patrick's*, Thousand Oaks.
- + Our World Mission Companions in the Diocese of Wiawso: The Cathedral Church of the Ascension; the Diocese of Jerusalem and Diocese of El Salvador.
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Unitarian/Universalist*, *Center for Spiritual Living*, *An Lac Mission (Buddhist)*, *Mormon Church*

*IN MEMORIAM: Joe Mangione, William*



### **St. Paul's Episcopal Church Staff**

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## Announcements

*Thank you for joining us today!  
As Ventura works to recover and find the way forward after fire and flood,  
St. Paul's is here to help.  
We're praying for you every day.  
Please let us know what else you need. God bless you!*



Please help us thank the following people for our refreshments this morning.

8:00 Liz & Ian McEwan

10:15 Nate & Anne Alday, Bruce & Judy Kelly, Greg & Karyn Jackson

***Please join us again next Sunday!***

### **MUSIC at ST. PAUL'S**



**THIS SUNDAY:** Thank you to today's cantor, Nicole Benson.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** The choir and guest musicians are preparing for Sunday. Come and experience the sounds of the organ, piano, trumpet, violin, bass and vocalists in celebration of Easter!

If you are interested in joining the choir, please speak to Felix or Tara Eisenhauer & visit Choir Open House on **April 19th** at 6:30pm.



**TODAY: CHILDREN'S MUSIC:** The Children's Music time is today following the 10:15 am service. Nicole will gather the children to the music room during coffee hour. Pick up is at 12:15 pm. Join Nicole and explore music through song, movement and fun activities! All ages are welcome. Children under 5 are asked to be accompanied by an adult.



**FAMILY TO FAMILY:** Thank you to the amazing volunteers that arrived last Monday. John, Linda, Jim, Susan, Joseph, Amanda, Patty, Byron and Ernie, you are so appreciated! We had a great time getting the space ready and preparing and serving lunch to our hungry neighbors! 240 plates were served. Thank you to the Subway on Thompson (Von's shopping center) for the Chicken Breast sandwiches. If you have questions about this rewarding local ministry, contact Paula Robertson, volunteer coordinator. **April 16<sup>th</sup>** is the next opportunity.



**FOOD PANTRY:** Thank you for all of your donations. The wish list for this month includes juice, water or protein drinks. Socks are always appreciated. If you would like to make a cash donation, note Food Pantry on the memo line of your check. Our shopper, Bill Brewer, will spend it wisely. Thank you for feeding our hungry neighbors.

## Holy Week Preparations



**EASTER FLOWERS & MUSIC:** Would you like to make a donation in thanksgiving for your blessings or in memory of a loved one? We are now collecting for Flowers and Music that will help to make our Easter services truly glorious. Place your donation in one of the envelopes provided for flowers and music and place it in the offering plate. You may also donate online via our website [www.saintpaulsventura.org](http://www.saintpaulsventura.org) click GIVE on the front page. Be sure to note "Easter Flowers & Music" and the inscription for the bulletin. **Deadline is March 26.**



**PLANTS & FLOWERS NEEDED:** We will create a garden in the Chapel for the Vigil at the Altar of Repose. We would love to borrow any potted plants or flowers. Drop them off by noon on **Wednesday, March 28**. You may pick them up and take them home after church on Easter Sunday. Thank you so much!



**SATURDAY, MARCH 31 - FLOWER ARRANGING & DECORATING WORKSHOP: 9am**  
Everyone is invited to learn the art of flower arranging. Join the workshop to create lovely Easter arrangements and decorate the sanctuary in celebration of the Glory of Easter.



**EASTER SUNDAY - EASTER BREADS:** A St. Paul's tradition! The coffee hours following both services on Easter Sunday are not hosted but shared by all. Please bring your favorite breads and sweets to share with the congregation on Easter Sunday. Please bring your items already plated and ready to serve; then place the plate on the refreshment table and don't forget to take your empty plate on your way out!

## *Holy Week Services*



**TODAY - PALM SUNDAY:** Join us as we remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and begin our journey through Holy Week.

**8:00 am:** Procession of the Palms with Holy Eucharist.

**9:30 am:** We will gather in Kahler Hall then Process to Ventura County Medical Center to offer prayers and blessings for the sick and all who work to help them.

**10:15 am:** Procession of the Palms, Reading of The Passion and Holy Eucharist. (This service will begin around the fountain outside Kahler Hall.)



**MAUNDY THURSDAY - March 29:** Join us as we remember Jesus' last supper in this service with washing of feet (optional), Holy Eucharist and stripping of the altar. One of the most moving services of the year! Sign up to help strip the altar and prepare for Good Friday in the church lobby or Kahler Hall.

**7:30 pm:** Service

**9:00 pm:** Vigil at The Altar of Repose begins.



**VIGIL at The ALTAR of REPOSE – Thursday, March 29, 9:00 pm – Friday, March 30, Noon:** Help us "Keep the Watch" which begins at 9pm after the Maundy Thursday service and continues until noon on Good Friday. The sign-up sheet for one hour shifts is in the narthex (lobby). *Jesus said to his disciples in the garden that night, "Sit here while I go there and pray."* **Help us to Watch and Pray.**



**LABYRINTH WALK BY CANDLELIGHT – Friday, March 30, 6:00 am – 8:00 am:** Looking for a meaningful way to remember Jesus' sacrifice on Good Friday? Come and walk the Labyrinth by candlelight at dawn from 6 – 8 am or anytime throughout the day. Enjoy the beautiful sunrise with glistening light, prayer and meditation.



**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE – Friday, March 30, Noon:** Traditional Good Friday service at Noon. A Good Friday offering is the opportunity to add some of the substance of our lives to the substance of our prayers. This year's offering is to support the Four Episcopal Church Dioceses in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Support focuses on pastoral care, education and healthcare for those in need. Please donate during our service or online: [www.episcopalchurch.org/goodfridayoffering](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/goodfridayoffering).



**THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL – Saturday, March 31, 8:00 pm:** Join us with Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce as we kindle the new flame, retell the stories of our ancestors in the faith by candlelight, then renew our baptismal vows and proclaim the coming of Easter in a glorious celebration. Bring bells to ring in celebration of the coming of Easter!

### *Events At A Glance*

**Monday, March 26**

**Deadline for Music & Flower Donations**

**Wednesday, March 28**

**Drop-off Plants & Flowers in Chapel Noon**

**Thursday, March 29**

**Maundy Thursday Service 7:30pm**

**Vigil at the Altar of Repose begins 9:00pm**

**Friday, March 30**

**Labyrinth Walk 6:00-8:00am,**

**Good Friday Service Noon**

**Saturday, March 31**

**Flower Arranging Workshop & Decorating 9:00am**

**Great Easter Vigil Service, 8:00pm with Bishop Bruce**

**Sunday, April 1**

**Easter Services 8:00am, 10:15am, Easter Breads**

