



The Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Parkersburg, WV

April 13, 2025 10:15 AM

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Participants in the Service:

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa

Minister of Music: Dennis Deem

Lectors: Linda Crocker

Chalice: Bob Crocker

Welcome Center: Linda Crocker, Vickie Bono

Intercessor: Dave Johnson

Acolytes: Kaitlyn Foggin, Aubrey Smith, Logan Houdyshell, Anthony Williams,
Yazmin Allander

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 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.**

The Gospel of Luke 19:28-40

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."

The Blessing of the Palms

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 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. (*The congregation raises the palms.*) 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 forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People **Hosanna in the highest.**
Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.
People **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Processional Hymn (pg. 8, 9, 10 & 11) "Ride on King Jesus" Steve Bell

The people standing, the Celebrant says
Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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.**

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (50:4-9a)

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 LORD, 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 a dead man, 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 LORD. *
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."

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:5-11)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven

and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn #458

“My song is love unknown”

Love Unknown

Homily

The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa

The Prayers of the People (*led by Dave Johnson*)

Common Worship

Let us pray to the Father through his Son who suffered on the cross for the world's redemption. Fill with your Spirit Christ's broken body, the Church. Give to Christian people everywhere a deep longing to take up the cross and to understand its mysterious glory. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

Bless those who lead the Church's worship at this solemn time. In the preaching of the word and the celebration of the sacraments draw your people close to you. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

Strengthen those who are preparing for baptism, together with their teachers, sponsors and families. Teach them what it means to die and rise with Christ and prepare them to receive the breath of his Spirit. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

Look in your mercy upon the world you loved so much that you sent your Son to suffer and to die. Strengthen those who work to share the reconciliation won at such a cost upon the cross. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

Bring healing by the wounds of Christ to all who are weighed down by pain and injustice. Help the lonely and the betrayed, the suffering and the dying, to find strength in the companionship of Jesus, and in his passion to know their salvation. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

Welcome into paradise all who have left this world in your friendship. According to your promises, bring them with all your saints to share in all the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection. By the Savior's cross and passion,
Lord, save us and help us.

**Holy God, holy and strong,
holy and immortal, have mercy on us. Amen.**

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentences

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Offertory Music

Doxology (please stand for singing of doxology)

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.**

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus #S124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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,

People and Celebrant

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.

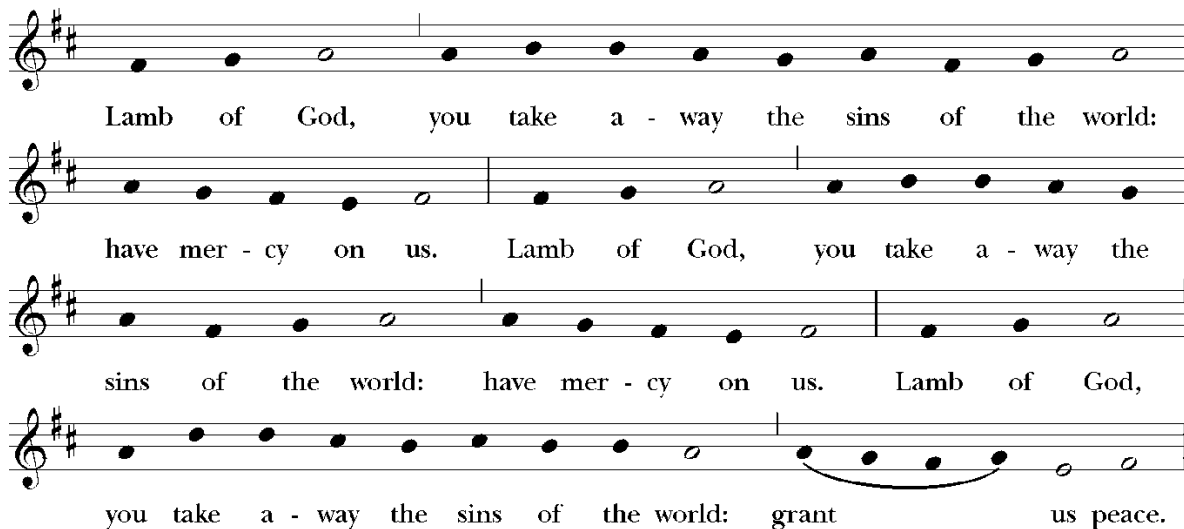
The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Response: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction #S161



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, followed by those present.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy things for holy people.

Communion Music

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

Solemn Prayer

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Passion (see insert)

Silence is kept for a while. The Ministers and People depart in silence.

Processional Hymn

“Ride on King Jesus”

Steve Bell

Lead/
Soprano

Tenor/
Harmony 1

Alto/
Harmony 2

Percussion/
Drum

Ride on, King Je - sus. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

Ride on, King Je - sus. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

Ride on, King Je - sus. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

Et cetera . . .
(last time to Tag)

A

As u s 4 A

Ride on, King Je - sus ride on. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

Ride on, King Je - sus ride on. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

Ride on, King Je - sus ride on. No one can a - hin-der Thee.

A

D

(optional unison on 5/6)

King Je - sus rides to Je - ru - sa - lem. No one can a -

The child - ren sing and _ dance and shout.

The light of God shines _ on His face.

No one can a -

No one can a -

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hin-der Thee. Ho - san - na to King Da - vid's Son. No one can a -
 If they won't praise the rocks cry out. _____
 He of - fers all His pardon - ing grace. _____

hin-der Thee. No one can a -

hin-der Thee. No one can a -

A D

17

hin-der Thee. He rides up - on a don - key small. No one can a -
 King Je - sus done just what He said. _____
 Come join the throng, your voic - es raise. _____

hin-der Thee. No one can a -

hin-der Thee. No one can a

A A

21

hin-der Thee. The King of peace, the Lord of all. No one can a -
 He healed the sick and raised the dead. _____
 The King of Life de - serves your praise. _____

hin-der Thee. No one can a -

hin-der Thee. No one can a -

Turn Page

(to Refrain . . .)

TAG

B

E

Musical score for measures 25-28. The score is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It consists of three vocal staves and a bass line. The lyrics are: "hin-der Thee. Ride on, King Je - sus. No one can a -". The words "Ride on, King Je - sus." and "No one can a -" are highlighted in yellow. Above the first staff, the letters "B" and "E" are placed above the second and third measures respectively. Measure numbers 25, 26, 27, and 28 are indicated at the beginning of each staff.

Musical score for measures 29-32. The score is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It consists of three vocal staves and a bass line. The lyrics are: "hin-der Thee. Ride on, King Je - sus ride on. No one can a". The words "Ride on, King Je - sus ride on." and "No one can a" are highlighted in yellow. Above the first staff, the letter "B" is placed above the second and third measures respectively. Measure numbers 29, 30, 31, and 32 are indicated at the beginning of each staff.

33 Bs u s 4 B B B

hin-der Thee. No one can a-hin-der Thee. No one can a-hin-der Thee. No one can a-hin-der Thee.

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hin-der Thee. hin-der Thee. hin-der Thee. hin-der Thee.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday – April 17th - Service at 7PM with foot washing

Lent Watch Vigil – April 17th - Begins at 9PM on Thursday and continues till Noon on Friday. Please sign up in the Welcome Center.

Stations of the Cross - Friday, April 18th @ Noon

Good Friday – April 18th - Service at 7PM

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil - April 19th at 7:30PM @ Trinity Episcopal Church.

Easter Sunday – April 20th - **Only one service at 10:15AM** followed by an Easter egg hunt

Good Shepherd Parish Prayer List

(Please use this to pray for these people throughout the week)

The People of Israel and Gaza	Marcia Doyle – healing	Mary Gevas – healing
The People of Ukraine	Peggy Roberts - healing	Peter Gevas – healing
Forest Fire Victims and Firefighters	Diane Cottrill – healing	Ann Stevens– healing
Jone Johnson – healing/strength	David Cottrill - healing	Dee Milhoan – healing
Deb Hepburn-McKinney – healing	Heyward Roberts - healing	Amanda Morris – healing
Vickie Dilley – healing/strength	Charles Sterchak – healing	Kenny Wagner – healing
Jennifer Sheets – recovering from heart surgery	Dave Rogers – healing	Bob Landefeld – healing
Joyce Haynes – eye safety & healing	Pam Shuman - healing	

Safety for all those serving in the Armed Forces
Sterling Slusher, Lauren Fielder, Peter Keiser

Those needing healing from cancer

Hal Foss	Julia Lee	John Stevens	Ellis Corra
Judy McCoy	Alana Dailey	David White	Chris Angotti
Doris Lowe	Gary Greer	Wendy Meridith	Colleen Parsons

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lent Adult Formation –The next session will be Saturday, April 19th @ 10:15. The focus for our Lenten study is on the last week of Jesus’ life on earth, also known as Holy Week.

Capital Campaign – A letter was mailed to you for your consideration. If you did not receive a letter or need more information, please contact the office. We are grateful to those who have already made a pledge or donation. Please return your pledge cards as soon as possible.

Easter Offering -This year's Easter Offering will be split between the Open Sky Arts Collective and the Moon King Fund for Humanity, a donor-advised fund at the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation. Open Sky comes for a week each summer to do an arts-focused VBS for neighborhood children, serving 60+ each day. Moon King is a local young adult who attends WVU Parkersburg full-time and also volunteers in the community by interacting with the homeless. Read more about these local programs in the Staff.

Easter Flowers – Deadline for Easter Flowers is Tomorrow. If you would like to give Easter flowers in memory of or in thanksgiving of a special person or event in your life, please use your Easter flower envelope or just put a check in the offering plate with “Easter Flowers” in the memo line. You may give any amount that you wish. Please include a note about what you would like the bulletin insert to say. This year due to allergies, we will not be using as many lilies as before, but we will have some potted spring flowers to decorate with.

Bible Study – We have 2 Bible Study groups led by David Cooper. One group meets from 4:15 – 5:15 PM and is discussing the Letter to the Romans. The other group meets from 5:15 – 6:15PM and is studying First Kings. You are welcome to attend either group.

Recital – Our alto choral scholar, Ella Rockhold, will be giving a recital on Friday, April 25th at 7 PM at First Presbyterian Church, Parkersburg. All are welcome.

Holy Week Schedule – see previous page.