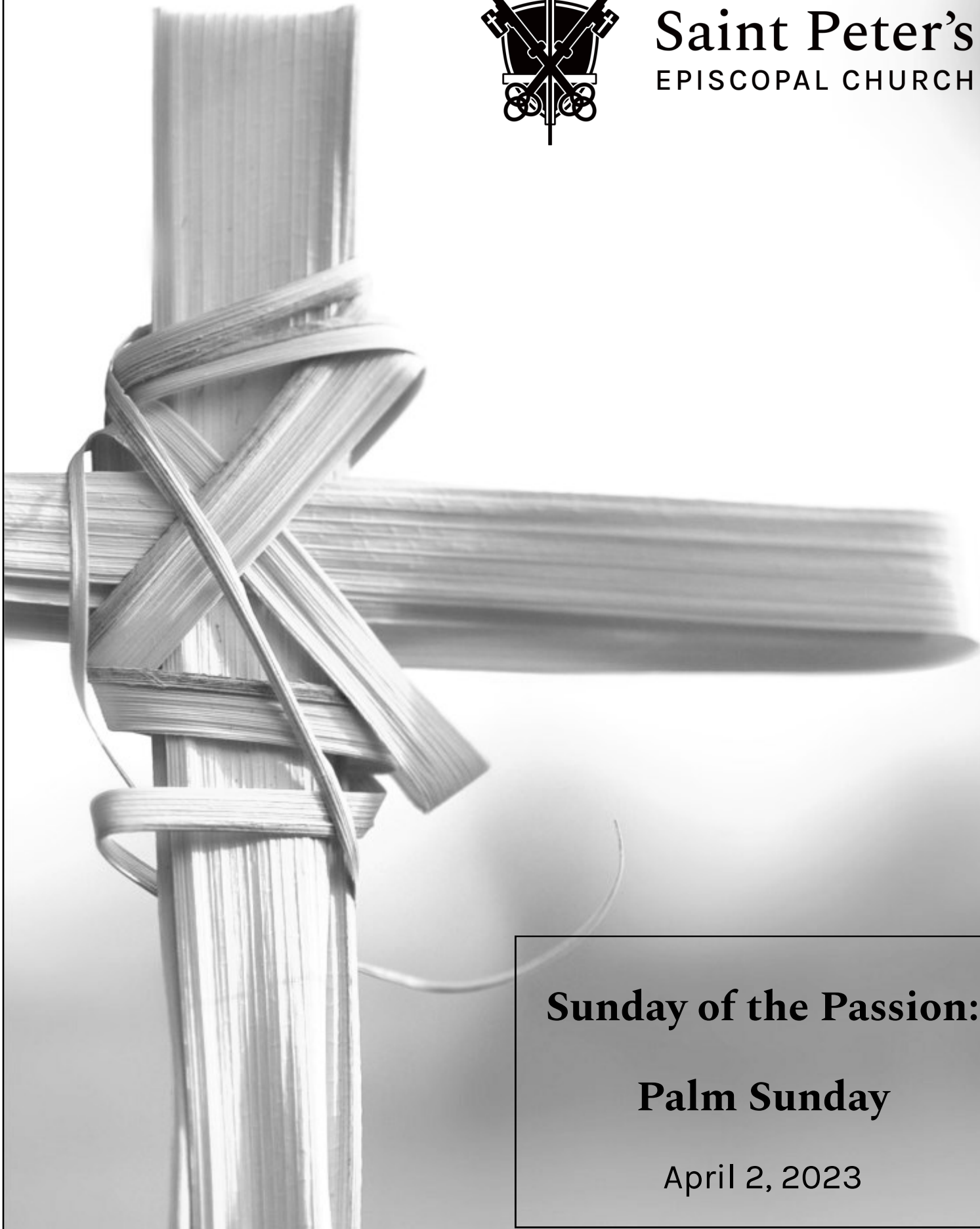




**Saint Peter's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**Sunday of the Passion:**

**Palm Sunday**

April 2, 2023

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# THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

**I**t is our pleasure to welcome you to St. Peter's Church. Please make yourself at home and if you need anything, just ask and someone will be glad to help you. We are glad you are here. Restrooms are located in the hallway outside the door to the right of the lectern and in the lower level directly below the nave (worship space). St. Peter's has guest wi-fi (StPeters-Guest) and the password is **AveMaria!** (case sensitive and with the exclamation point).

*“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.”*

Today is the first day of Holy Week and the last Sunday in Lent, known as Palm Sunday or the Sunday of the Passion. The day begins by marking Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. In our liturgy today, the celebrant blesses palms or other branches, and, following a reading from the Gospels, leads the congregation in procession into their church in song.

After this joyful beginning, the tone of the service shifts noticeably. In contrast to the earlier song of joy, Psalm 31, appointed for today, cries, “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.” The Gospel reading is likewise sorrowful, recalling the events of Jesus' Passion (that is, the events and suffering before and during his death). Still, we are reminded throughout the difficult days ahead that this is *not* the end of the story.

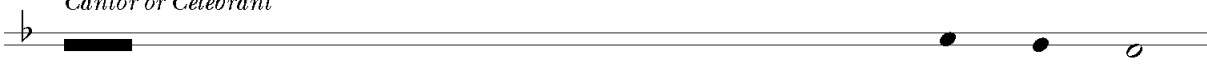
Despite the Savior's death on the cross, he promises to rise again. This is the story we enter into this Holy Week—the journey to the cross, through death, and into resurrection. Welcome to Holy Week.

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# The Liturgy of the Palms

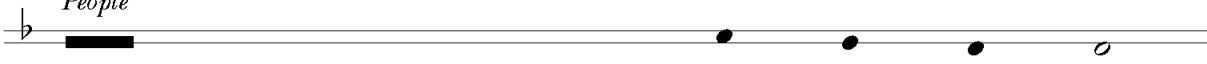
*All gather as able outside red double doors in lower parking lot.*

*Cantor or Celebrant*



Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord;

*People*



Peace in heaven and glory in the high - est.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our Salvation that we may contemplate the events of Holy Week, and may realize that Jesus has done everything out of love for us.

*People* ***Amen.***

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

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

## The Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

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."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Celebrant* It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the mighty acts of love by which you have saved 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. May 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.

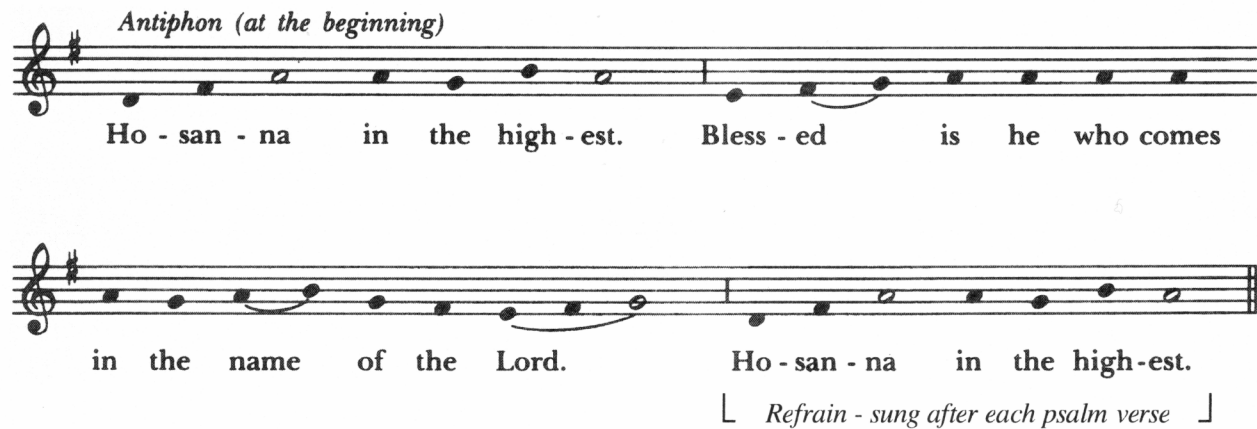
*People* **AMEN!**

## The Procession

*The people now follow in procession into the church, singing the following.*

# Hymn 157

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

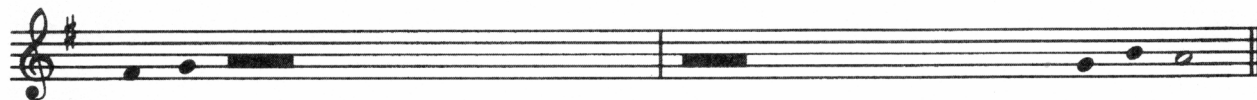


Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

└ Refrain - sung after each psalm verse ┘

## Psalm 118

### *Confitemini Domino*



- 19 O-PEN for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to *the* Lörd. [Refrain]
- 20 THIS IS the gate of the Lord; \*  
he who is righteous *may* en-ter. [Refrain]
- 21 I WILL give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my *sal*-va-tion. [Refrain]
- 22 THE SAME stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the *chief* cor-ner^stone. [Refrain]
- 23 THIS IS the Lord's doing, \*  
and it is marve-lous in our^eyes. [Refrain]
- 24 ON THIS day the Lord has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and *be* glad in^it. [Refrain]
- 25 HO-SAN-na, Lord, hosanna! \*  
Lord, send *us* now suc^cess. [Refrain]
- 26 BLES-SED is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of *the* Lörd. [Refrain]
- 27 GOD IS the Lord; he has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of *the* al-tar. [Refrain]
- 28 YOU ARE my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will *ex*-alt you. [Refrain]
- 29 GIVE THANKS to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures *for* ev-er. [Repeat entire antiphon]

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.**

### Opening Hymn

*All Glory Laud And Honor*

Hymnal 154

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;  
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Repeat Refrain*

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

### 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.**

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;

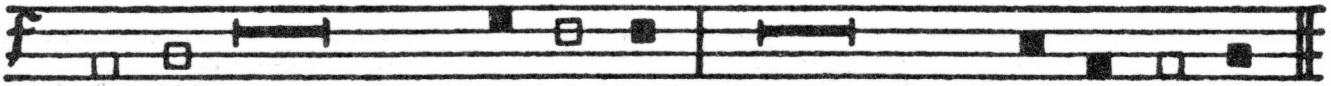
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

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?



- 9 HAVE MER-cy on me, O Lord, for I am in / trou-ble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my soul and / my bod-y.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with / sigh-ing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction,  
and my bones are / con-sum-ed.
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even  
to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my ac-/quaint-ance; \*  
when they see me in the street they / a-void me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of / mind; \*  
I am as useless as / a bro^ken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;  
fear is all a-/round; \*  
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 per-/se-cute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your / serv-ant, \*  
and in your loving-kind-/ness save me."



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.

1 The roy - al ban - ners for - ward go, the cross shines  
 2 Ful - filled is all that Da - vid told in true pro -  
 3 O tree of beau - ty, tree most fair, or - dained those  
 4 Blest tree, whose cho - sen branch - es bore the wealth that  
 5 O cross, our one re - li - ance, hail! Still may thy  
 6 To thee, e - ter - nal Three in One, let hom - age

1 forth in mys - tic glow where he through whom our  
 2 phet - ic song of old; how God the na - tions'  
 3 ho - ly limbs to bear; gone is thy shame, each  
 4 did the world re - store, the price which none but  
 5 pow'r with us a - vail to save us sin - ners  
 6 meet by all be done; as by the cross thou

1 flesh was made, in that same flesh our ran - som paid.  
 2 King should be, for God is reign - ing from the tree.  
 3 crim - soned bough pro - claims the King of glo - ry now.  
 4 he could pay to spoil the spoil - er of his prey.  
 5 from our sin, God's right - eous - ness for all to win.  
 6 dost re - store so rule and guide us ev - er - more.

*Gospeller:* The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew

## Gospel

Matthew 26:36-27:61

*The People are seated for the reading of the Passion. The Gospel reading in the green booklet in the pews. Please stand as able at the mention of the arrival at Golgotha.*

## The Homily

The Reverend Joy Walton

## The Prayers of the People

*Form I*

*Deacon or other leader*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

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For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For Ellicott City, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed St. Peter and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To thee, O Lord our God.*

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

**The Peace**

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

The ministers and people share the peace of Christ as a sign of reconciliation and with the hope of continuing this work in the world.

**Announcements**

Offertory Anthem	Ave Verum	Mozart
Presentation Hymn	What wondrous love is this	Hymnal 439
The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer A	Hymnal S-120

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so 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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

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**

Hymnal S-114

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues the consecratory prayer telling of God’s interaction with humanity throughout history, our need for redemption in Jesus Christ, and consecrates the bread and wine with the words Jesus used at the Last Supper. Full text is found in the BCP on page 362&363.*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

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.**

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -

way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

## Invitation to Communion

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.*

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.

**Communion**      *O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me,  
except that I drink it:  
thy will be done.*

## Communion Hymn

*Let thy Blood in mercy poured*

Hymnal 313

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

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.**

### **Prayer Over the People**

*Celebrant:* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says*

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.**

### **Recessional Hymn**

*O sacred head, sore wounded*

Hymnal 168

### **Dismissal**

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

### **Postlude: Observed Silence**

*The people depart in silence.*



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## ST. PETER'S PRAYER LIST

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

**The Church:** Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; Eugene, Bishop of Maryland; Derek, our Rector, Joy, our Assisting Priests

**Recent Needs:** Jennifer Rybczynski Hill, Rob Hill, Theresa Cochran, Jo Mason, Irene Blade, John McSweeney, Jenna Bolton, Pattie Bond, Dan Hogan, Liam Reigel, Beth & Dick Mitchell, Samantha Mitchell Reigel Green, Dick & Roz Tierno

*(Names remain on the Recent Needs Prayer List for 30 days unless notified otherwise.)*

**Ongoing Needs:** Mary Beth Zinsmeister, Bernadette Skelly, Morris Powell, Sue & Steve Hartlaub, Earl Markowicz, Darrell Reid, Gwen Watts, Ron Brueggeman, Ray & Rose Powell, Thomas Kirwan, Mary Mitchell, Jennifer Foster, Arthur Ronald Parham, Brian & Rick Kneeland, George Spencer, John Jordan

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**Homebound Members:** Allie & Dick Suelflow, Frieda Gregory, Earl Elliott, Irene & Walter Closson

**Repose of the Soul:** Karolyn Tierno, Everard Cox, Jr., Michael Richards

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**Vestry and Officers:** Doug Pryor, Judith Kilroy, Alexa Fair, Greg Busch, Jonnie Widener, Tom Donohue, Hal Clay, John Francis, Katie Shaw

*\*Would you like to add someone to the prayer list or have an announcement featured here? Please submit names/announcements to the church office by email: [parish.admin@stpetersec.org](mailto:parish.admin@stpetersec.org) BY SUNDAY NIGHT.\**

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## Announcements – April 2, 2023

EASTER FLOWERS: It's time to get your requests in for Easter Flowers!! If you are interested in donating Easter Flowers email the Parish Admin: [parish.admin@stpetersec.org](mailto:parish.admin@stpetersec.org) the individual's names so they can be acknowledged in the Bulletin. Please donate: <https://stpetersec.org/give>

ALL-NIGHT VIGIL: Help keep watch with the Blessed Sacrament: Following our Maundy Thursday Mass. St. Peter's holds an All Night Vigil, with the Blessed Sacrament in St. Luke's Chapel until 6:00 AM Good Friday Morning. Come for an hour and sit and keep watch. To be on a vigil is to be wakeful for a purpose. The desire to take part in the holy occasion is so strong that you can't wait for it to happen. You don't want to miss a second of it.

EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION: Please bring quiche, salad, or dessert to share for the Easter Vigil Celebration that will directly follow the Easter Eve Vigil **April 8th, 2023, 9 PM Vigil**. If you would like to help with the Easter Vigil reception set up or clean up, please contact **Judi Mahaffey: 410-807-6460**.

EASTER EGGS & CANDY: Bring your candy & Easter eggs in for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Donations may be left in the kitchen through **April 8th, 2023**. If you can help hide eggs or supervise the egg hunt after the **11:30 AM Saturday, April 8th, 2023**, please contact **Judi Mahaffey: 410-807-6460**.

ELLICOTT CITY SPRINGFEST: St. Peter's is participating as a food vendor. **Saturday, April 15th, 2023 (12-8)**. If you would like to take a shift in our tent please email [communications@stpetersec.org](mailto:communications@stpetersec.org)

OUTREACH MINISTRY: The next ZOOM Outreach Ministry Meeting is on **April 11, 2023**. Meetings are held on the **2nd Tuesday of the month at 2 pm**. All are welcome to attend. For more information on how to get involved please email: [Outreach@stpetersec.org](mailto:Outreach@stpetersec.org)

OUTREACH ACTION DATES: **April 13, 2023**—Pete's Packs Deliver, Betsy Groomes; **April 20, 2023**—Pete's Packs Deliver, Betsy Groomes; **April 21, 2022**—Pete's Packs—Packing, Kitchen; **April 21, 2022**—Pete's Packs—Deliver, Elizabeth Cahoon & Sally Chiroff; **April 27, 2023**—Pete's Packs Deliver, Doug Pryor; **May 4, 2023**—Pete's Packs Packing, Kitchen; **May 4, 2023**—Pete's Packs Delivery, Doug Pryor.

ST. PETER'S PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: This Ministry is available to assist parishioners who are in need. In order for the Pastoral Care Ministry to coordinate a response to parishioner's needs, please notify Pastoral Care [pastoralcare@stpetersec.org](mailto:pastoralcare@stpetersec.org)

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## Upcoming Worship Schedule

*(In-Person and Virtually)*

**Monday, April 3, 2023** *(Monday of Holy Week)*

7 :00 PM Eucharist

**Tuesday , April 4, 2023** *(Tuesday Of Holy Week)*

7 :00 PM Eucharist

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023** *(Spy Wednesday/Tenebrae)*

7 :00 PM

**Thursday, April 6th, 2023** *(Maundy Thursday)*

7 :00 PM Eucharist

**Friday, April 7th, 2023** *(Good Friday)*

Noon & 7 :00 PM

*Contemplative Noonday Prayer and Stations of the Cross*

*7pm Good Friday Service Communion*

**Saturday, April 8th, 2023** *(Holy Saturday)*

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

**Saturday, April 8th, 2023** *(Easter Vigil)*

9:00 PM Eucharist

**Sunday, April 9th, 2023** *(Easter Day)*

9:45 AM Eucharist

*Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall*

**Saturday, April 15th, 2023** *(OEC SpringFest)*

12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Sunday, April 16th, 2023** *(Easter 2)*

9:45 AM Eucharist

*Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall*

**Sunday, April 23rd, 2023** *(Easter 3)*

9:45 AM

*Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall*

**Sunday, April 30th, 2023** *(Easter 4)*

9:45 AM Eucharist

*Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall*

## Loose-Plate Offerings

Offerings given in the plate that are not designated will go to support the following funds:

**1st Sunday—Discretionary Fund**

**2nd Sunday—Outreach Fund**

**3rd-5th Sundays—General Operating Fund**

SERVING THIS WEEK	
Altar Guild	Judith Kilroy & Margaret Pratila
Acolyte	Wes Mataban-Ward
Bell Ringer	N/A
Celebrant	The Reverend Joy Walton
Flag Guild	Hal Clay
Flower Guild	Judi Mahaffey
Intercessor	Alexa Fair
Lector 1	Tom Donohue
Lector 2	Wes Mataban-Ward
Livestream/AV	Judi Mahaffey
Preacher	The Reverend Joy Walton
Tellers	Angela Mitchell & Katie Shaw
Thurifer	Stan Brown
Ushers	Hal & Lauri Clay