

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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Our mission: Following Jesus by living in love, walking by faith and serving our community.

April 13, 2025 – Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Our Worship Service

This morning, Gloria and Zeno will serve as acolytes, Jacqueline is LEV Assisting, Christopher is the LEM. St. Timothy's Praise Choir will lead the singing.

The Liturgy of the Palms

We begin our service outside of the church building and will process in together.

CELEBRANT: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

Mercifully help us, O God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy into today's contemplation of those amazing events, whereby you have given us eternal life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A reading from Luke, Luke 19:29-40

Rev. Todd Thomas

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. Now as he was 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."

PEOPLE: We will not be silent!

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.**

CELEBRANT: 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.

Blessing the Palms

CELEBRANT: Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever claim 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.

PEOPLE: Amen. Blessed is the One who comes in the

name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

CELEBRANT: Let us joyfully go to worship.

PEOPLE: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Procession of Palms

We'll process into the Nave singing and waving our palms, to throw them at the foot of the altar before moving around the outside aisles to find our seats where we will remain standing.

Procession Hymn: "All Glory, Laud and Honor OLFB #313 (vs 1-5)

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King!

To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

Altar

Verse1 You are the King of Israel, And David's royal Son,

Now in the Lord's Name coming, Our King and Blessed One. [Refrain]

Verse 2 The company of angels Are praising You on high;

And mortals, joined with all things Created, make reply. [Refrain]

Verse 3 The people of the Hebrews With palms before You went;

Our praise and prayers and anthems Before You we present. [Refrain]

Verse 4 To You before Your passion, They sang their hymns of praise;

to You, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. [Refrain]

Verse 5 Their praises You accepted; Accept the prayers we bring,

Great source of love and goodness, Our Savior and our King. [Refrain]

CELEBRANT: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **PEOPLE: God's mercy endures forever. Amen.**

CELEBRANT: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

PEOPLE: Amen.

Hymn of Praise: "To God Be The Glory" OLFB #15 (chorus only)

To God be the glory, To God be the glory, To God be the glory for the things He has done! With His blood He has saved me, With His power He has raised me To God be the glory for the things He has done!

Prayer 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 himself 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.**

Our Scripture Readings for the Day You may be seated for the readings.

A Reading Isaiah, Isaiah 50:4-9a

Patricia

The Lord God has given me a trained tongue, 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 in court 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.**

A Reading from Psalm 31, Psalm 31:9-16

Leslyn

- ⁹ Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.
- ¹⁰ For my life is spent with sorrow and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.
- ¹¹ I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.
- ¹²I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.
- ¹³ For I hear the whispering of many terror all around!— as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.
- ¹⁴ But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God."
- ¹⁵ My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
- ¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

READER: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

PEOPLE: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Reading from Philippians, Philippians 2:5-11

Christopher

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross.

Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to 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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: "At the Name of Jesus"

OLFB #365 vs.1-3

- Verse 1. At the Name of Jesus Ev'ry knee shall bow, Ev'ry tongue confess Him King of glory now. It is God's good pleasure We should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word.
- Verse 2. At His voice creation Sprang at once to sight, All the angel faces, All the hosts of light, Thrones and Dominations, Stars upon their way, All the heav'nly orders In their great array.

Verse 3. Humbled for a season, To receive a Name From the lips of sinners Unto whom He came, Faithfully He bore it Spotless to the last; Brought it back victorious When from death He passed.

The Passion Reading: Luke 22:14-23:56

Many Voices

CELEBRANT: The Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Reader #1: Zeno A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, "The kings of the gentiles lord it over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials, and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

"Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail, and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day until you have denied three times that you know me." He said to them, "When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "No, not a thing." He said to them, "But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless,' and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled." They said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." He replied, "It is enough."

Reader #2: Christopher He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me, yet not my will but yours be done." Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial." While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" When those who were around him saw what was coming,

that you are betraying the Son of Man?" When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as though I were a rebel? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour and the power of darkness!"

Reader #3: Teresa Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a female servant, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him, for he is a Galilean." But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then

Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, "Prophesy! Who is it who struck you?" They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!"

Reader #4: Desiree Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man inciting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to Caesar and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people, and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

READER #5: Ernest (EJ) Then they all shouted out together...

ALL THE CONGREGATION: "Crucify, crucify him!"

READER #5: Ernest (EJ) A third time Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified, and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

Rev. Todd: One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed, and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

Gospel Hymn: "At The Name of Jesus"

OLFB #365 vs 4-5

Verse 4. In your hearts enthrone Him; There let Him subdue All that is not holy, All that is not true. Crown Him as your Captain In temptation's hour; Let His will enfold you In its light and pow'r.

Verse 5. Christians, this Lord Jesus Shall return again On the clouds of glory, O'er the earth to reign. Love and faithful service We His people vow, And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

Brief Reflection on the Reading and Holy Week

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The Nicene Creed Please stand as you are able for the Creed

ALL: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Please stand or kneel as you are able for the Prayers of the People (Form VI).

Prayers of the People

Leslyn and Patricia

LEADER: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. [Silence]

LEADER: For all people in their daily life and work;

PEOPLE: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

LEADER: For this community, the nation, and the world;

PEOPLE: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

LEADER: For the just and proper use of your creation;

PEOPLE: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

LEADER: For Marsyl, Lillie, Fred B., Terry, Karen, Carmen, Shanice, Constance, Father

Errol, Carroll, Willie, Callie, Tanya, Otis, Preston, Christine E., Calvin, Wilbert, Lisa, Delainey, Bob, Doris J., Ernest, Kimberly, Jean, Danny, Deborah, Ruby, Ted, Dorothy, James, Christine S., Herman S., Elfreda, Paul, Noah T., Delores, Susie, David, Rosa, Alice, Charles, Cynthia, William, and Elaine, let us pray to

the Lord.

PEOPLE: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

LEADER: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

PEOPLE: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

LEADER: For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann our Bishop; and for all bishops and

other ministers:

PEOPLE: For all who serve God in the Church.

LEADER: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Hear us, Lord;

PEOPLE: For your mercy is great.

LEADER: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God;

PEOPLE: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

LEADER: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal

kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

PEOPLE: Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers to the People's *Amen*.

Confession Please stand or kneel as you are able for the Confession.

CELEBRANT: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PEOPLE: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

CELEBRANT speaks the Absolution.

Sharing the Peace, Announcements & Celebrations

CELEBRANT: The peace of Christ be always with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Offering Our Gifts Back to God

Offertory Anthem: "Ride On, King Jesus/He is King of King" Traditional Spiritual

Offertory Response "In My Life, Lord, be Glorified" LEVAS II #216

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my life, Lord, be glorified today. In my song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my song, Lord, be glorified today. In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

CELEBRANT: All things come from you, O Lord. **PEOPLE:** And of your own have we given you.

Gathering in Gratitude at God's Table of Grace

We are using the Eucharistic Prayer C. Please stand as you are able.

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 God thanks and praise.**

CELEBRANT: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God 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, singing:

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE: Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" H82 S130 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!

You're invited to kneel or sit at this point.

CELEBRANT: Holy and gracious God: 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:

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.

PEOPLE: AMEN.

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray, as we sing:

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE: "The Lord's Prayer" OLFB #664

Our Father, which 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 debts

as we forgive our debtors []]]

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

CELEBRANT: Christ has given us the bread and cup of eternal life;

PEOPLE: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

CELEBRANT: These are the gifts of God for the people of God; all are called and all are

welcomed at God's Table of Grace. Receive as you are able, for God loves you.

Coming to the Altar: All are welcome as the ushers invite you row by row to come stand or kneel at the altar. Ask for a gluten-free wafer if needed and cross your hands if you desire a blessing instead of or with communion.

Communion Hymn "Let thy Blood in Mercy Poured" H1982 #313 (Vs. 1-4)

Verse 1 Let thy Blood in mercy poured, let thy gracious Body broken, be to me, O gracious Lord, of thy boundless love the token.

Refrain: Thou didst give thyself for me, now I give myself to thee.

Verse 2 Thou didst die that I might live; blessed Lord, thou cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give Jesus by his sorrows gave me. [Refrain]

Verse 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound and the nailing, by the pain and death, I now claim, O Christ, thy love unfailing. [Refrain]

Verse 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my penitence I give thee;

thou art my exalted King, of thy matchless love forgive me. [Refrain]

CELEBRANT: Let us all pray together with those online the prayer of spiritual communion.

PEOPLE: My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of

the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Though I may not now be able to receive you in bread and wine from the altar, I invite

you to live within my heart. I know you are with me; never let us be

separated. Amen.

CELEBRANT: And now 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.

Sending Prayer Used to send forth Lay Eucharistic Visitors with consecrated gifts when needed in the week.

CELEBRANT: We send you forth with these holy gifts to bless those who could not be with us

today, but who still share our joy and hope in Christ.

PEOPLE: Go also with our prayers to be a blessing to those we love.

CELEBRANT: We are one Body as we share one Bread and one Cup.

PEOPLE: Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" H1982 #474 (vs. 1-4)

Verse 1 When I survey the wondrous cross where the young Prince of Glory died,

my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Verse 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the cross of Christ, my God:

all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

Verse 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!

Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Verse 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;

love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Dismissal

CELEBRANT: Go in peace to love and serve your Lord and your neighbor.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary: Prelude In the Classic Style by Gordon Young



WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS for our members who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week.

WE ALSO ASK YOUR PRAYERS for our parishioners, relatives and friends.

Thank you to all who have helped prepare, lead, and participated in our worship!

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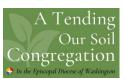
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HOLY WEEK AT ST. TIMOTHY'S



PALM SUNDAY 9 AM ECUMENICAL SERVICE WITH EAST WASHINGTON HEIGHTS

10am Morning Worship at St. Timothy's

APRIL 168 HOLY WEDNESDAY 11:30AM EUCHARIST AND NOON STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7PM ONLINE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

MAUNDY THURSDAY 7PM EUCHARIST SERVICE W/FOOT WASHING

FOLLOWED BY THE SOLEMN STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

GOOD FRIDAY NOON TO 3PM VIGIL IN THE NAVE W/VENERATION OF THE CROSS

7PM ONLINE EVENING PRAYER W/VENERATION OF THE CROSS

Then Celebrating the Risen Christ!

April 19 The Great Vigil

OF EASTER

7PM WORSHIP BEGINNING OUTSIDE THE NAVE WHERE WE MAKE OUR NEW FIRE AND PROCESS IN TOGETHER.

APRIL 20 EASTER MORNING

10am Morning Worship at St. Timothy's with coffee hour to follow.

EASTER AFTERNOON

NOON TO 3PM EASTER CELEBRATION ON THE LAWN WITH NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS ENJOYING A BOUNCE HOUSE, MUSIC FUN GAMES AND EVEN AN APPEARANCE BY THE EASTER BUNNY!

EASTER CELEBRATIONS AT ST. TIMOTHY'S

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