



**THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST
PALM SUNDAY – SUNDAY OF OUR LORD’S PASSION
APRIL 13, 2025, 10:30 A.M.**

Welcome to the Church of the Advent! If you are visiting with us, please know we are honored by your presence! We invite you to complete a guest card, which will allow us to remain in contact with you and provide you with additional information. You may place your completed card in the offering plate, or you may give it to our priest as you are leaving. On our website (www.adventks.org), you will find an up-to-date calendar of all church ministries and activities, and you may sign up to receive our weekly email. If you are interested in learning more about the Church of the Advent, the Episcopal Church, or the Christian faith, please contact our priest (Tim Johnson) at (610) 444-4624 or rector@adventks.org. **Again, welcome!**

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

(Our service will begin outside. Please bring palms and a blue hymnal)

CHOIR PRELUDE

Ride on King Jesus

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

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 him 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.**

FESTIVAL PROCESSION HYMN

All Glory, Laud and Honor
#154 **in the Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

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

Celebrant & People

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON: 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 backwards. 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?

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

Psalm 36:9-16

- 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."

THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand for the sequence hymn and the reading of the Gospel.)

SEQUENCE HYMN *O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded*
#168, vs. 1-2, in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL READING: Luke 19:28-40

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded*
#168, vs. 3, in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Please kneel or be seated for the prayers of the people and confession.)

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(A period of silence is kept.)

Celebrant & People

Almighty and most merciful God: We have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things that we ought to have done; and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; and there is no strength within us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults; restore those who are penitent, according to the promises you have declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a disciplined, righteous, and godly life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM *Ave Venum Corpus* Stopford
Advent Chancel Choir

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (*Please stand as you are able.*) #380, v. 3

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

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...who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of you Name:

Sanctus - #S124 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

(*You may remain standing, kneel, or sit for the remainder of the prayer.*)

Holy and gracious Father: in your infinite love...proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...Almighty Father, now and forever. **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.
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.**

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

COMMUNION MUSIC

Jesus Remember Me

Taize Chant

My Song is Love Unknown
#458 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray

Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PASSION GOSPEL – MARK 15-1-39

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall

J.S. Bach

The congregation leaves the sanctuary in silence.

WORSHIP SUPPORT

Celebrant: The Reverend Timothy Johnson+, Rector
Lector: Dennis Glasgow
Sub Deacon: Barbara Thornton
Eucharistic Minister: Monica Eboda
Ushers: Damon Sinclair, Judy Mason, Suzanne Pusey
Director of Music: Wilson G. Somers

*The Sanctuary Candle is sponsored today by
Doranne Easler in memory of Bud Easler.*

Pastoral Emergencies – If you have a pastoral emergency requiring the assistance of a priest, please contact the church office during office hours. Outside of office hours, please contact the Rev. Tim Johnson directly at 484-730-1988.

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HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE

Maundy (Holy Thursday) – 7:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist with Foot and Hand Washing

Good Friday – 12:00 p.m.

Solemn Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Eucharist from the Reserve

Good Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Ecumenical Community Stations of the Cross Walk with the Kennett Square Ministerium – Begins at St. Patrick's Catholic Church and concludes at First Baptist Church.

Easter Day: Day of the Lord's Resurrection

7:45 a.m. – Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 a.m. – Family Service with Eucharist

10:00 a.m. – Festive Coffee Hour and Easter Egg Hunt

10:30 – Festival Holy Eucharist Rite II