

**Post-Communion Canticle** ~ LBW p. 116 *Lord, now you let your servant (We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)*

**+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+**

**Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction** ~ LBW p. 117  
*(We stay standing as the assistant minister offers a prayer of thanksgiving and petition that God will grant us faith to love our neighbor. The pastor then extends God's blessing across us and our lives.)*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor (singing): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Congregation (singing): Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** ~ LBW Hymn #121 *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

**Dismissal**

*(We stay standing, facing the back of the church. The assisting minister concludes the service and sends us forth into the world.)*

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Organ Postlude**

**Sermon Notes**

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday**

9:00 am Spoken Word Service  
10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children\*  
11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist\*  
12:30 pm Church Council Meeting

**Tuesday and Thursday**

9 am – 2 pm First Friends

**Thursday, April 17**

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service

**Friday, April 18**

7:00 pm Good Friday Service

**Saturday, April 19**

7:30 pm Easter Vigil Service

**Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday**

9:00 am Spoken Word Service  
9:30 am Brunch in the Parish Hall  
10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn  
11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist\*

\*Nursery Available

**CHURCH STAFF**

Evan McClanahan, Pastor  
Mario Aschauer, Organist/Choir Director  
Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends  
Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator  
Bright Igwenagu, Sexton  
Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

**WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY**

Donna Bing	Assisting Minister
Tony Settles	Server/Crucifer
Adalyn McClanahan	Acolyte
Rob Douglass, Eric Olson	Usher
Charlene Kelley, Elise Daulley	Altar Guild
Mario Aschauer	Organist/Choir Director
Pastor Evan McClanahan	Liturgist/Preacher



PALM SUNDAY ~ APRIL 13, 2025

ORDER OF SERVICE

**Procession with Palms**

*The congregation gathers outdoors at the entrance of the church.*

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

**C: Hosanna to the Son of David!**

P: Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, 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 everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

*The Processional Gospel is read: Luke 19:28-40*

After he had said this, he 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.”

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great 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 acclaimed Son of David, and Kings of Kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us go forth in peace,

**C: In the name of the Lord.**

*The procession into the church begins, the congregation following the ministers.*

**Processional Hymn LBW #108 All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

Upon the conclusion of the hymn:

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

P: Let us pray...

**The Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 19

### **Announcements and Children's Sermon**

*(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)*

### **+WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD+**

#### **First Lesson ~ Isaiah 50:4-9**

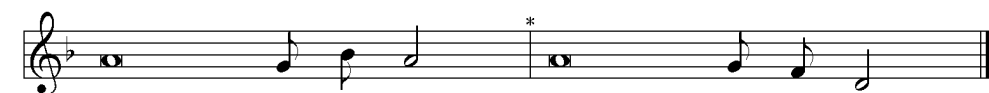
The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck 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? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Psalm 31:9-16** *(chanted responsively)*

*The choir will chant the odd numbered verses and the congregation will respond with the even numbered (bolded) verses.*



<sup>9</sup> Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I | am in trouble;\*

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.

<sup>10</sup> **For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;\***

**my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones | are consumed.**

<sup>11</sup> 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.

<sup>12</sup> **I am forgotten like a dead man, | out of mind;\***

**I am as useless as a | broken pot.**

<sup>13</sup> 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.

<sup>14</sup> **But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O Lord.\***

**I have said, “You | are my God.**

<sup>15</sup> My times are | in your hand;\*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.

<sup>16</sup> **Make your face to shine up- | on your servant,\*  
and in your loving- | kindness save me.”**

#### **Second Lesson ~ Philippians 2:1-13**

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. 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.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Gradual**

#### **Gospel ~ Luke 23:1-38**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 23<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

**Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*As the Gospel lesson is quite long, feel free to be seated.*

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day** ~ LBW Hymn #105 – *A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth*

**Nicene Creed** ~ LBW p. 105

#### **Prayers of the People**

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*(Each petition will end with the response:)*

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **The Greeting of Peace**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

*(We repeat this greeting to those around us, along with a nod, handshake, or hug.)*

#### **Offertory Anthem**

**Offertory Hymn** ~ LBW Hymn #107 vs. 1, 3 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

*(Once the offering is collected, we stand and sing together as the usher brings the plates forward to the altar. Once the offerings have been received, we pray:)*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+**

**Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface** ~ LBW p. 109

**Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)** ~ LBW p. 110

**The Words of Institution** ~ LBW p. 111

**Lord's Prayer** ~ LBW p. 113

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)** ~ LBW p.114 *Lamb of God*

#### **Holy Communion**

*Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive the Lord's Supper. As you come forward, you may take a cup from the usher's tray. You do not have to. You can also dip the bread into the second chalice or drink from that chalice. But if you want some wine poured into your own cup, you may use an empty cup. The filled cups contain grape juice. After taking a cup, we will form a semi-circle. There, we partake of the sacrament together with each other and the saints who have come before us. All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. The pastor will give you bread, which you can eat as soon as you get it or you can dip (instinct) it. After drinking the wine, put the empty cup in a tray by the side aisle on your way back to your seat, not back into the tray from which you took the empty cup.*