



Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today!
If you are visiting, we are delighted that you're here. If you have any questions, please ask anyone near you. To find out everything going on at St. Paul's, visit www.stpaulsokc.com.

SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Debi Musick
Prayer Leader: Joyce Martin
Altar Guild: Cindy Bench
Children's Message: Carolyn & Romi Behrens
Video assistant: Tracy Caine
Ushers: Tony Nutter, Steve Botkin, Micah Moeller, Bill Schopflin & Rex Bross
Communion Assistants: Roger & Debi Musick, Carolyn Behrens, Alana & Robert Adair, Susi Laflin & Patricia Ayling
Acolyte & Crucifer: Romi & Elie Behrens

PRELUDE: *Fanfare for an Angel* by James M. Stephenson Blackwelder Brass

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Leader: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: *Hosanna in the highest!*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

21 When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying 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. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵"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."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The 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!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Let these branches be for us signs of Jesus' 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.***

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

PALM PROCESSION & HYMN

Hosanna Loud Hosanna!

w/Ron Wallace, Niki Higgins & Blackwelder Brass

“Hosanna, loud hosanna,” the little children sang;
Thro’ pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;
to Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to His breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud;
The lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our redeemer, the lord of heav’n, our king;
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Carolyn & Romi Behrens

SPECIAL CHILDREN’S MUSIC:

Cherub Choir w/Niki Higgins

Seek Ye First & The Wise Man and Foolish Man

Kyrie 3 & 4

Refrain

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour - ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to **Matthew**.

Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 27:11-54

(Due to the extended reading of the Passion Narrative, please wait to stand until instructed.)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

HYMN

#344 **All Glory, Laud and Honor** vs 1, 3 & 4

Refrain: All glory, laud and honor to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. *Refrain.*

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain.*

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.
To you now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain.*

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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;

Almighty and ever living 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, forever.
Amen.

Please note there is no offertory during service, our offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary, or scan the QR code or visit stpaulsokc.com/online-giving to give online.



COMMUNION

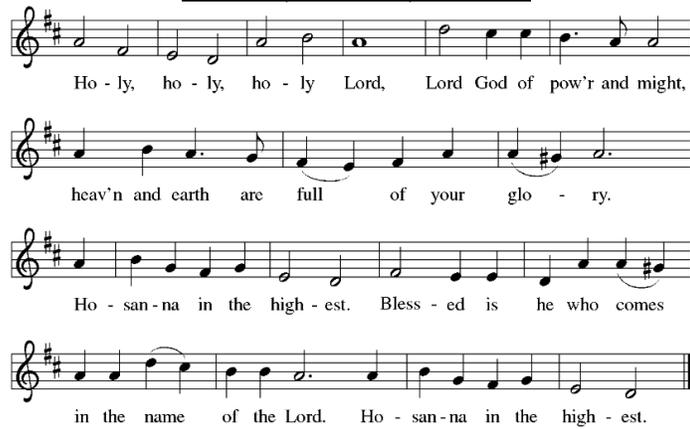
The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ***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 forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night before he died for us, 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 all of 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, according to his command, O Father:

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

...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 forever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. AMEN

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS *Please note, there are gluten free wafers available if you need them. The cups in the center of the trays are juice, and the outer rings are wine.*

SPECIAL COMMUNION MUSIC

Ah, Dolente Partita by Claudio Monteverdi edited by Raymond Mase

Blackwelder Brass

Let us pray. ***Almighty and ever-living 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 forever. Amen.***

THE BLESSING

May the Father, †Son, and Holy Spirit bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE ***Canzona per Sonare No. 1 La Spiritata*** by Giovanni Gabrieli edited by Robert King
Blackwelder Brass

SENDING

Go in Peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Once a year we journey with Jesus through the highs and lows of this sacred week. **Maundy Thursday (4/2 at 7:00pm)** recounts Jesus washing the disciples' feet as we receive communion. **Good Friday (4/3 at 7:00pm)** focuses on the cross. Then we rest and pray Holy Saturday and come together for worship on **Easter—Resurrection Sunday—at 9:30am!**

EASTER LILLIES- ORDERS DUE TODAY!!

Help defer the cost of the Blackwelder Brass program & beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday! \$25/plant- please fill out a form, online or in person. Forms can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex and returned to the designated folder. If paying online, remember to tell us who or what your flower is in honor/memory of so they can be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. Also please tell us if you will be taking your flower home. All orders are due TODAY!

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is open! We ask for help keeping it stocked. Please bring non-expired, nonperishable food items to the church. Feel free to place your items in the pantry cabinet (set on the north side of the main entrance) or leave items in the cart in the narthex. If you are looking for suggestions for items to bring, there are lists on the information table in the narthex. Questions- contact Alana Adair.

If you are interested in making a donation to help pay for the 2026 mission trips, please visit stpaulsokc.com – online giving page or QR code below:



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Holy Week

- 3/29- Worship – Palm Sunday**
 - 5th Sunday Fellowship (after service)
 - 12 pm Easter Carnival & Egg Hunt
- 3/30- 9am Canticle Ringers**
- 4/1- 6:30 Adult Choir**
- 4/2- 7 pm Maundy Thursday service**
- 4/3- 7 pm Good Friday Service**

- 4/5- 9:30am Easter/Resurrection Sunday**
- 4/6- 9am Canticle Ringers**
- 4/7- 6:30 Twilight Tones**
- 4/8- Wednesday Night Activities**
 - 5:45 Dinner
 - 6:30 Education & Adult Choir

- 4/12- 9:30- Worship & Education**
 - Youth Parent Meeting (*after worship*)
 - 5-7pm Youth night
- 4/13- 9am Canticle Ringers**
- 4/14- 6:30 Twilight Tones**

- 4/15- Wednesday Night Activities**
 - 5:45 Dinner
 - 6:30 Education & Adult Choir
- 4/16- 1pm XYZ**

- 4/19- 9:30- Worship & Education**
- 4/20- 9am Canticle Ringers**
- 4/21- 6:30 Twilight Tones**
- 4/22- Wednesday Night Activities**
 - 5:45 Dinner
 - 6:30 Education & Adult Choir

- 4/26- 9:30- Worship & Education**
 - 11:45 Prayer Partner Banquet
- 4/27- 9am Canticle Ringers**
- 4/28- 6:30 Twilight Tones**
- 4/29- Wednesday Night Activities**
 - 5:45 Dinner
 - 6:30 Education & Adult Choir