

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church  
Incline Village, Nevada



*Seeking Light and Sharing Love*

**We welcome you to Saint Patrick's Church.** We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.

**If you are searching for a new church home and community,** please introduce yourself to our Rector as you depart.

# Palm Sunday

## March 24, 2024

### The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

**Prelude:** *Ride on King Jesus* LEVAS #96/97

#### The Liturgy of the Palms

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

***Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.***

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, 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 and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

#### Opening Gospel: *Mark 11:1-11*

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

***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.***

(During distribution of the palms)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ***Hosanna in the highest!***

Let us go forth in peace.

***In the name of Christ. Amen.***

**Hymn** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* Hymnal 1982 #154 vv. 1-3

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us pray.

**Collect of the Day:** 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 First Reading:** *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 awakens--  
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?

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

### **Psalm 31:9-16**

- 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 Reading:** *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.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**Sequence Hymn** *One Spirit, One Church* Spirit & Song #132

**The Passion Reading:** *Mark 15:1-39*

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil

has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Marla Asson

**The Prayers of the People:** Jesus, you emptied yourself, trading in the form of God for the form of a slave; we pray for the Church, and all her people and ministers. Form us into a Church that empties itself for others, and for you. We give you thanks for your servants, our partners in ministry, the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Nevada. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Jesus, you were born in human likeness, and found in human form; we pray for the whole human family, for the nations of the earth, and for all who live in the midst of disaster, famine, or terror, especially the people of Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Jesus, even after humbling yourself in your incarnation, you humbled yourself even to the point of death; we pray for our nation, our leaders, and all the people who live within these borders. Bless us with your humility. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Jesus your love for us was so broad and deep, it cost you your life. We pray for those we love who have died, and as you were highly exalted, may they rest with you in glory; especially \_\_\_\_\_. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

In your exaltation, O God, you were given the name that is above every name; we pray in your name for those who are poor, those who are hungry, and those who are hurting in any way, especially those struggling with homelessness and housing insecurity, and our LGBTQ+ siblings. Give them your grace. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

We also pray, in your name O God, for those who are sick or in need of your healing embrace, especially \_\_\_\_\_; give them the gift of healing, strength, and life. Christ in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

### **Concluding Collect**

#### **The Peace**

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

### **Announcements**

#### **SERVICE OF THE TABLE: Eucharistic Prayer A**

**Music at the Offertory:** *Hallelujah*

Leonard Cohen

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*-or- scan the following QR code using your smart device*



*Thank you!*

**Doxology: *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.***

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give God 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.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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 (Hymnal 1982 #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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy and gracious Father: 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:



*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. *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. And 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.*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Behold what you are.

*May we become what we receive.*

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.

*[All those seeking light and sharing love are welcome at the Lord's Table; gluten free wafers are available upon request]*

### **Music at Communion: God So Loved the World**

Let us pray: *Loving Father of all, your only Son came as a servant and was obedient all the way to his death on the cross. As he has served us here at this table, make us humble like him, and bring us to be with him in his glory. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### **Special Blessings**

#### **Final Blessing**

Now, let us depart this place in peace. As we go, remember the poor, pray for the sick, make no peace with oppression, and love one another as Christ has loved you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

**Closing Hymn** *Oh How He Loves You and Me* LEVAS #35

Let us bless the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude** *Jesus, Priceless Treasure*

Johann Walther



*Please join us for refreshments in the library following worship!*



**This month we remember those who are in our Columbarium:**

Michael Gomez, William & Gwen Gordon, Mei & Donald Gum, Michael Gurowitz, Mehmed Hadziasanovic, Sally Hammel, Darwood Hance, Candy Handy, William Hane, Denise Haskett, Andrew Harding, Douglas Harris, L.B. Spud & Doris Harrison, Daniel & Marie Hawes, Annalisa Hemphill, Howard & Donna Hendricks, Harold & Irene Herz, Richard A. & Donna J. Herzig, Clark Hestmark, Anita Hill, Lita Hill, Ralph & Bette Hitchcock, Walter E. & Virginia A. Hoadly, Norma Hoch, Irving & Dorothy Horton, Edward H. Howard, Larry & Maryanne Ingemanson, Stu Jed, Clayton & Betty Jewett, Deborah Johnson, Loma & Mildred Jones, Alfred & Nancy Joslin

**Worship Assistants**

Minister of Music: Donna Axton

Choir: Linda Pittman, Kay Lehr, Gwendalyn Gilliam, Bret Logan, Elizabeth Rutherford, Nora Behrens, Suzanne & Marty Gollery, Daniel Gollery, Larry Harrison, Paula Chapman, Donna Dekker, Lori Johnson

Readers: Jim Clark & Patti Logan

Ushers: Bob Skidmore & Anna Cooper

Counters: Bret Logan & Lentz Hagen

Altar Guild: Merdene Hess & Kay Lehr

**Clergy**

The Rev. Marla Asson, *Rector*

**Members of the Vestry**

Connie Skidmore, Senior Warden, Mike Wang, Junior Warden  
Clerk (non-voting)

Elizabeth Bogh, Treasurer (non-voting)

Nora Beauchamp, Mike Wang, David Vomund (2022-2025 term)

Patti Logan, Connie Skidmore, Gary Thomsen (2023-2026 term)

Suzanne Gollery, Dick Jackson, Geoff White (2024-2027 term)

Nora Behrens, *Parish Administrator*

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# Announcements

**Easter Egg Hunt RSVP:** If you know of youngsters coming to the egg hunt on Sunday, please let us know how many. This will ensure that we have plenty of eggs for all the hunters! Thank you!

## **Schedule for Holy Week:**

*Maundy Thursday:* 7pm @ St. John's Glenbrook, meet in St. Pat's parking lot at 6:15 to carpool

*Good Friday:* 12 noon @ St. Patrick's in the Sanctuary

*Easter Sunday:* 10am @ St. Patrick's with Egg Hunt to follow!

## **Good Friday Offering**

The history of the Good Friday Offering reaches back to 1922 when, in the aftermath of World War I, The Episcopal Church sought to create new relationships with and among the Christians of the Middle East. From these initial efforts which focused on a combination of relief work and the improvement of ecumenical and Anglican relations, the Good Friday Offering was created.

Through the years many Episcopalians have found the Good Friday Offering to be an effective way to express their support for the ministries of the three dioceses of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Pastoral care, education and health care continue to be primary ministries through which the reconciling spirit of the Christian faith serves all in need. Participation in this ministry is welcome. The generous donations of Episcopalians help the Christian presence in the Land of the Holy One to be a vital and effective force for peace and understanding among all of God's children.

In addition to in-person giving, donations can be made online at [iam.ec/goodfridayoffering](http://iam.ec/goodfridayoffering)

## **Easter Lily Donations**

At Easter, a beautiful display of lilies helps to celebrate this most joyous occasion in the Church year. If you would like to donate a lily for Easter, in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving for a special event in your life, or simply in celebration of the season, please complete the Lily Order Form and place it, with your payment, in the offering plate or in the gray box outside the Church Office.

## **The Passion According to St Matthew (J.S. Bach), Part II**

Composed in 1727 and lost for over 100 years, Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* is widely regarded as one of the greatest masterpieces of Baroque sacred music. All concert performances will be conducted by Maestro James Rawie. St. Patrick's parishioners are invited to the performance at St. Francis as guests of Toccata – just see Nancy Rawie when you arrive at the concert for admission.

Palm Sunday, March 24th 4pm..... Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Reno

Wednesday, March 27th 7pm ..... Saint Francis of Assisi, Incline Village

Good Friday, March 29th 5pm ..... Trinity Lutheran Church, Gardnerville

## **Documentary Screening of the The Philadelphia Eleven**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1135 12<sup>th</sup> St., Sparks on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. The subject of the film is the struggle that women have faced becoming ordained. A discussion panel including The Rt. Rev. Elizabeth Gardner, Bishop Diocesan of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada, and The Rt. Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori, former Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, will follow the screening. *This event is free.*