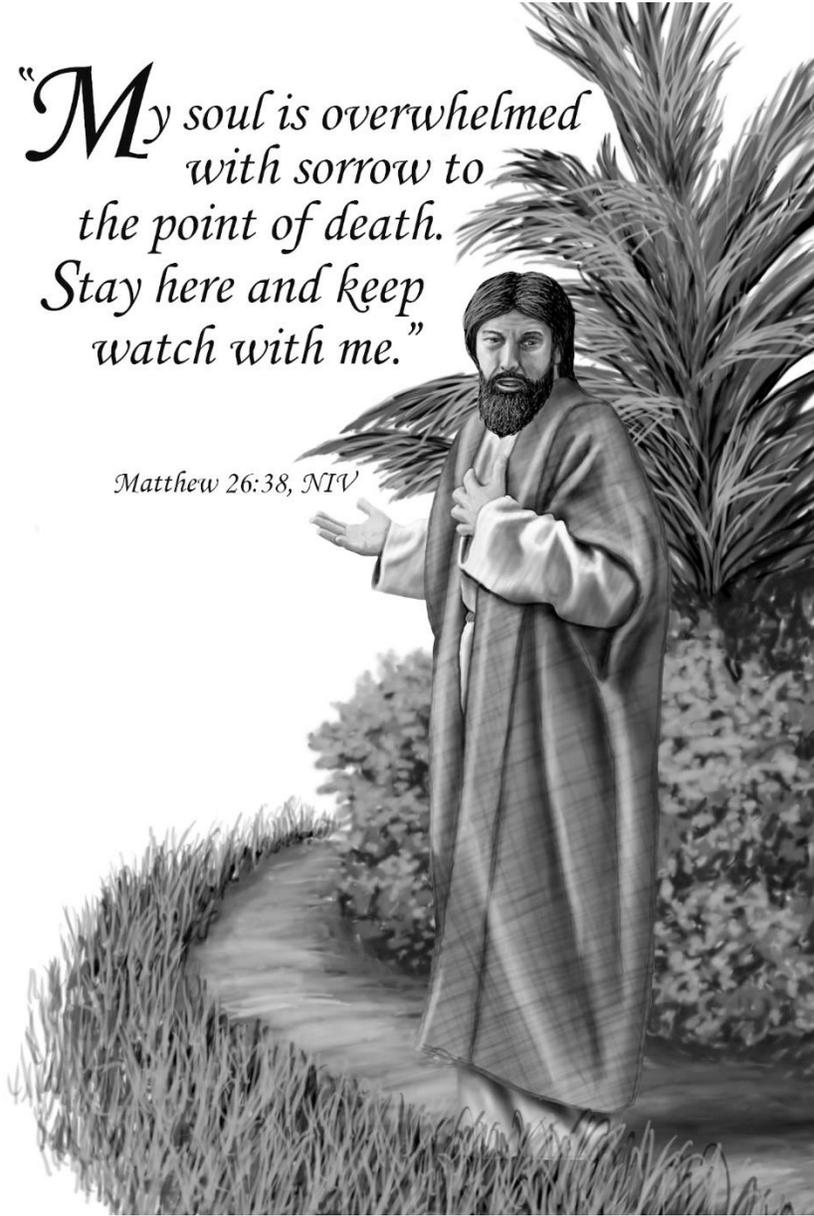


*“My soul is overwhelmed
with sorrow to
the point of death.
Stay here and keep
watch with me.”*

Matthew 26:38, NIV



Sunday, March 29, 2026

Passion Sunday

Dr. Rev. William Bergmann, *Officiant*

Mrs. Meredith Marcinkewicz, *Minister of Music*

The Liturgy of the Palms

We will gather in the Parish Hall for the blessing and distribution of the palms.

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

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Presider: Beloved in Christ, for these forty days we have journeyed with Jesus from the wilderness up to the gates of Jerusalem. As we join with all the faithful and celebrate his entry in both triumph and humility, let us welcome him with cries of “Hosanna,” and may his praise be on our lips even as we walk with him toward the cross and the grave, confident in God’s power to save.

Let us pray:

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that as we greet our Savior with joy at his entry into Jerusalem, we may follow him in humility and contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The following or some other suitable anthem is sung or said, the people standing.

Presider: Hosanna to the Son of David.

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

Reader: Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9

Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice.

Psalm 45:4

Your throne is the throne of God, it endures forever;

and the scepter of your kingdom is a righteous scepter.

You have loved righteousness and hated evil.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you

with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Psalm 45:7-8

Presider: Hosanna to the Son of David.

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

The Presider then says the following blessing.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: 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 forever.

People: Amen.

Presider: Hosanna to the Son of David.

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

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ showed himself to be the true king, reigning with humility and service, and was hailed by the crowd as Messiah. Grant us the faith to know and love him, that we may accompany him on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

During the procession, all hold branches in their hands, and appropriate hymns, psalms, or anthems are sung, such as the hymn "All glory, laud, and honor".

Priest: Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy and your forever.

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.

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 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?

The people sit.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

In te, Domine, speravi

- 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."

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

The people sit.

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.

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

Silence may follow.

All sit, except for the readers. At the appropriate time, all will be invited to rise.

THE PASSION GOSPEL

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 387)

All remain standing.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE ON THE TRINITY CHAPEL PRAYER LIST

Ted Akins, Mark Aren, Maria Bergmann, Brandon Blackwell, Jane Bouvier, Jonathan Bryan, Bev Bukkhdgyi, Peter Carnacelli, Sr., Peter Carnacelli, Jr, John Comeau, Travis Cook, Mary Craft, Joe D., Chris Dippolino, Mary Lee French, Charles Gearhart, Fran Gray Marge Halloran, Linda Hammill, Odette Harvey, Gail and George Hooper, Verna Hughes, Dorothy Jowett, Donna King, Bruce K., James, Judy Lawrence, Mona Longley, Angelo Layhe, Amy LeBlanc, Leena, Jim Leonard, Karla Leonard, Bob Lindgren, Betty Mahon, John Moderacki, Kirsten Mong, Brian McDonough, Dale McKinnon, Ann Oakes, Maryellen Owen, Maureen Panetta, Mark Pothier, Jean Reed, Kendra Reed, Jeanne Rogers, Nancy Sawyer, Bobbie Siemans, Ahmad Yehya Sharif, Bruce Shelly, Gail and Bob Sheplar, Annie Strickler, Marilyn Sullivan, Viola, Karen Ware, the Welton family, Jim Wilkins, the Wishneusky family.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE ON THE ST.MARK'S PRAYER LIST

Anna Oliverson, Susan and Kate, Kate and family, Ben, Orvil, JimDerek, Evie and family Beth, Brendan and Corine, and Kate, Elizabeth, Jane, Lisa, Pamela, Brooke, David Andrew, Charlotte and Bob, Ross, Lindy, Ted and Kathy, Doug and the Pecora family, Andrew Ward, John Gallacher, Janet Andrews, Marmi Sheehan, Marcia and Ralph, Shelly Wadsworth, Cathy C., Marion Perault, Sue Sweeney, Ben Meaden, Sherrie Carroll, Bob Berg, Judy and Marlene, Michael, Marty Cassidy.

We pray for those who have recently died

Sandra, Fran Fletcher, Cora Rose, Albert Caproni, Francis Harnham

Thanksgiving for healing

Jody

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

All stand.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.
Psalm 50:14

OFFERTORY HYMN: “IS IT I LORD”

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS: S-124

Celebrant and People

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.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM *S161 Agnus Dei*

INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365)

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Lord Jesus Christ,
you set your example before us as
one who came not to be served but to serve:
Give us the courage to be your faithful disciples,
following your way even to the cross,
and proclaiming you as Savior and King.
Amen.**

BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN: LEVAS # 184 Blessed Assuranca

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.