

Palm Sunday

The Sunday of the Passion

March 24, 2024



St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

WELCOME

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry. This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the Announcement page. If you are a visitor to our live-streaming service, we would be honored if you would leave your name and email address to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries. WELCOME!

About Our Worship

The worship in this booklet follows the outline of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Lord's Prayer** is from the **Prayer Book of the Anglican Church of New Zealand**. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

A Note about Communion – Our communion is bread and wine (by intinction). The celebrant will dip the bread in the chalice, placing it on your hand. If you do not wish to have the wine, simply let the celebrant know. Communion bread that is celiac safe gluten free is available. Ask for it when you come to receive. Those not wishing to receive may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

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

Priest 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.**

A READING FROM MARK (11:1-11)

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and 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. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.' " ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹¹Then 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 priest then says the following blessing over the palms

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God 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.**

The following is then said

Priest Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

Deacon Let us go forth in peace.

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

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *

his mercy endures for ever.

² Let Israel now proclaim, *

"His mercy endures for ever."

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ "This is the gate of the LORD; *

he who is righteous may enter."

²¹ I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *

and have become my salvation.

²² The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! *
LORD, send us now success.

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
we bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷ God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Valet will Ich dir Geben

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Repeat Refrain

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

The following Collect is then said

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

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?

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *

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

For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *

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

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.

I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *

I am as useless as a broken pot.

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.

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *

I have said, "You are my God.

My times are in your hand; *

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

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.

Reader Here what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"A Grateful Heart"

Rockingham



1 A grate - ful heart is what I bring, a song of
2 Your name is known in all the lands. You feed the
3 With sav - ing love you set us free, and still you
praise, my of - fer - ing. A - mong the saints I
poor with gen - tle hands. Your word is true, your
dwell in mys - ter - y with wis - dom none can
lift my voice: in you, O God, I will re - jice.
works are just; in you, O God, the faith - ful trust.
com - pre - hend. Your praise, O God, will nev - er end.

THE PASSION GOSPEL

Mark 14:1-15:47

Deacon The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
(*The congregation remains seated*)

NARRATOR It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

CHIEF PRIESTS "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

NARRATOR While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

DISCIPLES "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor."

NARRATOR And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

JESUS "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

NARRATOR Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

DISCIPLES On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

NARRATOR So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

JESUS "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

NARRATOR So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

JESUS "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me."

NARRATOR They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

DISCIPLES "Surely, not I?"

NARRATOR He said to them,

JESUS "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

NARRATOR While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

JESUS "Take; this is my body."

NARRATOR Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,

JESUS "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

NARRATOR When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

JESUS "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

NARRATOR Peter said to him,

PETER "Even though all become deserters, I will not."

NARRATOR Jesus said to him,

JESUS "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

NARRATOR But he said vehemently,

PETER "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you."

NARRATOR And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

JESUS "Sit here while I pray."

NARRATOR He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

JESUS "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."

NARRATOR And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

JESUS "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

NARRATOR He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

JESUS "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

NARRATOR And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

JESUS "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

NARRATOR Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

JUDAS "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."

NARRATOR So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

JUDAS "Rabbi!"

NARRATOR and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

JESUS "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."

NARRATOR All of them deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

ACCUSERS "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"

NARRATOR But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

HIGH PRIEST "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"

NARRATOR But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

HIGH PRIEST "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"

NARRATOR Jesus said,

JESUS "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"

NARRATOR Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

HIGH PRIEST "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?"

NARRATOR All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

ACCUSERS "Prophesy!"

NARRATOR The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

SERVANT GIRL "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."

NARRATOR But he denied it, saying,

PETER "I do not know or understand what you are talking about."

NARRATOR And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

SERVANT GIRL "This man is one of them."

NARRATOR But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

BYSTANDERS "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean."

NARRATOR But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

PETER "I do not know this man you are talking about."

NARRATOR At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,

JESUS "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

NARRATOR And he broke down and wept.

NARRATOR 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,

PILATE "Are you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR He answered him,

JESUS "You say so."

NARRATOR Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

PILATE "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

NARRATOR 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,

PILATE "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR 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,

PILATE "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

NARRATOR They shouted back,

CROWD (Congregation) "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR Pilate asked them,

PILATE "Why, what evil has he done?"

NARRATOR But they shouted all the more,

CROWD (Congregation) "Crucify him!"

NARRATOR 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,

SOLDIERS "Hail, King of the Jews!"

NARRATOR 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.

(At the mention of Golgotha, all stand as able.)

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,

BYSTANDERS "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

NARRATOR In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

CHIEF PRIESTS "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."

NARRATOR 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,

JESUS "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

NARRATOR which means,

JESUS "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

NARRATOR When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

BYSTANDERS "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

NARRATOR And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

BYSTANDERS "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

NARRATOR 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,

CENTURION "Truly this man was God's Son!"

NARRATOR There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.
When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Jim Dannels

(A period of silence follows the sermon)



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Leader* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."
(*Silence*)
- Leader* For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For our Standing Committee and Assisting Bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For this city of St. Augustine, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader* In the communion of blessed Cyprian and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
- People* **To you, O Lord our God.**

THE PEACE

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

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY "In the Shadow of the Palms"

PRESENTATION HYMN (Please stand as able)

"Were You There"

Were You There

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you
3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you
4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine? (Were you
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you

there?) Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
there?) Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
there?) Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
there?) Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
there?) Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

O! Some - times it caus - es me to

trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? (Were you there?)
there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)
there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)
there when the sun re - fused to shine? (Were you there?)
there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Gracious God, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven 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.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 Mother 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 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, Gracious Father, now and for ever. **AMEN!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

(From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Agnus Dei



O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins
of the world; have mer - cy on us,
Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"For Those Tears I Died"

Lanny Ballard, tenor

COMMUNION CHANT

"Bless the Lord"

Taize

(All sing together)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Wisdom of God
the Love of God
and the Grace of God
strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,
in the name of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (Please stand as able)

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

Houston

1 O sa - cred head, now wound-ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
2 What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain:
3 What lan-guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear-est friend,

now scorn-ful-ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead-ly pain.
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with-out end?

O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint-ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
look on me with thy fa - vor, and grant to me thy grace.
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace, to love and serve God's world.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Archer

St. Cyprian's Activities & Announcements

Stations of the Cross led by Daughters of the King- Wednesday at 3:30pm

Men's Night- Tuesday Mar. 26th at 4pm at the Mission House

The meal is a cooperative effort! Bring your own item to grill (meat, fish, chicken, veggies) and beverage of choice, the rest we share. Items to share could be an appetizer, side dish or dessert.

Zoom Meetings

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am

Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am

Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Racial & Social Justice Discussion Group – 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 10am

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: David Arena, The Zeman Family, Theo & Lily Pignataro, Janet Stowers, Lynelle & Jeff, Karen Honans, Leila Seibert, Domingo C., Mtr. Celeste Tisdelle, Lynn Timmons, Martha Bailey, Mignon Williams, Joe Finnegan, Carrie C., Michelle Curlee, Jane Schwab, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Kenny Brown, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, George Paul, Henning Toensmann, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Elise Osako and Jim Colee.

Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King, and members and clergy of St. Cyprians.

Loren & Dee Beck, Sebastian Alawi, Mildred Oliver, Larry Hickernell, Candy Overton, Kirby von Egidy, Jonathan Brunjef, Alice Greenspan, Dennis Edwards, Clayton, Richard & Darlene, Carole Prior, Ron, Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena, Parker Aune, Penny Rolleston, Alan Turner, Sally Yocum, Isaac Katcher, Roger & Sandy Pinnicks, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Melissa & Family, Traude, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Michael Kratz, Diane Radibeau Wise, Dick & Karin Jeter, John Neuman, Donna Bahr, Bev Curry and family, Patricia Maxwell, Anthony Patterson, Anthony & Claire, Susie Calvaruso, The Morrissey Family, Catherine Martin.

About the Prayer List – To add a name to our Prayer List, with their permission, please call 904-829-8828 or email Deacon Steve at stcyprianssteve@gmail.com. Please let us know when to take off someone's name.

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