

ST. GABRIEL'S SAN GABRIEL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



PALM SUNDAY
April 10, 2022



WELCOME TO ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are glad that you have joined us as we encounter God in our worship together. If today is your first visit, we want you to know that St. Gabriel's is a welcoming and authentically inclusive faith community, which means that you are welcome just as you are – wholly made in the image of God. Whoever you are, and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We'd like to get to know you, so please share your contact info by filling out a blue information card, they are on the info table at the entrance. You can place it in the collection plate, send an email to the office, or text the clergy for coffee or tea! For the safety of our immunocompromised parishioners and unvaccinated children under the age of 5 we will continue masking for the time being.

Faith formation is important for the spiritual development of us all. Special attention is given to our children, it's the Jesus way! A Children's Story is provided at the beginning of the service and Sunday school will resume after Easter! Child care is provided at this time for children up to kindergarten age. Because Eucharist is essential to our faith journey we ask that you please bring them for Communion!

Coffee hour is like a second communion at St. Gabriel's, it builds community! We will resume this time of hospitality on Easter Sunday. Some parishioners go to Panera at noon after the service so ask around to see if anyone wants to join you at the Lansdowne Town Center (19327 Promenade Drive) for conversations about life and faith. God bless you and thank you for being part of our Church community!

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

Today we begin in the sacred moments of Christ's Passion leading us into Holy Week.

Together we will bless the palms, hear the story of Jesus' last week on earth, sing songs and share bread and wine.

Finally, we will hear the story about Jesus' death on the cross. Our Easter celebration next Sunday will be the final act in this drama that is Holy Week!

The readings for today's service are from "The Message: The Bible in Contemporary Language", a translation of the Bible written in idiomatic English by Eugene Peterson.

There will not be a pause in the service for a collection today. The Offering Plate will be placed at the Altar where you can make your offering after Mass. Today we are reminded that Jesus offered Himself for us because he loved the world and because he loves us.

ACT I

He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord

SCENE 1: BLESSING AND PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

The people will walk to the school foyer where the Liturgy will begin. We will go to the end of the parking lot, turn right toward the park and reenter through the back doors of the Cafeteria.

Celebrant Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our Salvation that we may contemplate the events of Holy Week, and may realize that Jesus has done everything out of love for us.

People **AMEN!**

Reader 1 Jesus told his disciples,

Jesus Go to the village there ahead of you; as you go in, you will find a colt tied up that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it over here.

Reader 1 And they took the colt to Jesus. Then they threw their cloaks over the animal and helped Jesus get on. Others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds began to shout,

People **Praise to David's Son! Hosanna in the Highest!**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you!**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise!**

Celebrant It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the mighty acts of love by which you have saved 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. May 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.

Almighty God, ✠ we pray you bless these branches and make them holy. Today we joyfully acclaim Jesus our Messiah and King. May we reach one day the happiness of the new and everlasting Jerusalem by faithfully following him who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People **AMEN!**

Reader 1 When Jesus came near the place where the road went down to the Mount of Olives, the large crowd of his disciples began to thank God and praise him in loud voices for all the great things they had seen.

Celebrant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People **HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!** (loud)
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST! (louder)
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST! (loudest!)

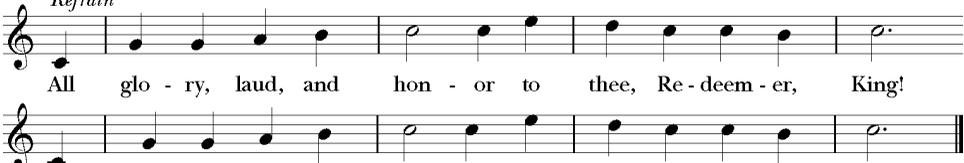
Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

*The people now follow the procession into the Church where the service continues.
During the procession, all hold branches in their hands, singing the processional hymn.*

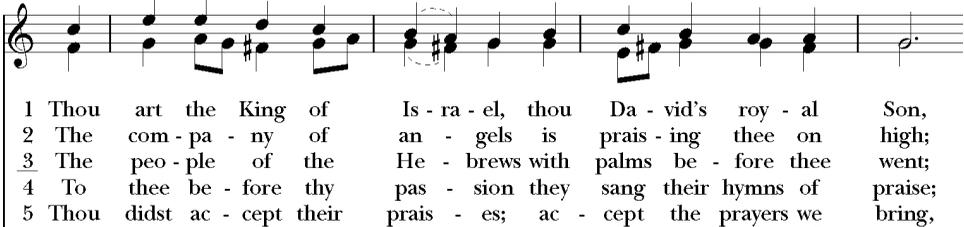
PROCESSIONAL HYMN

ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOR

Refrain

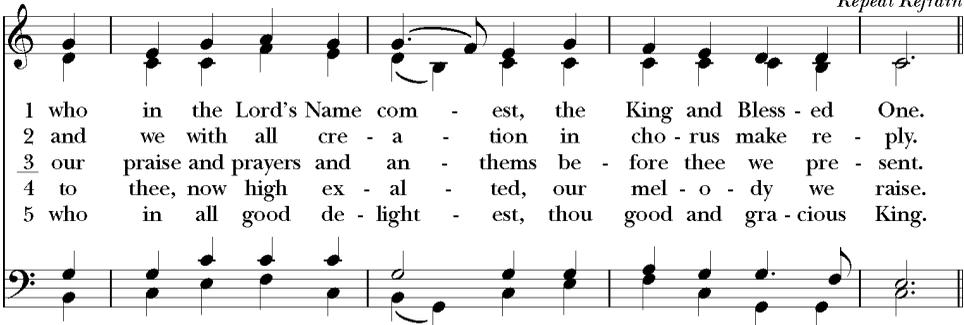


All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



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.

SCENE 2: THE PASSOVER MEAL AND HANDING OVER

Reader 1 On the first of the Days of Unleavened Bread, the day they prepare the Passover sacrifice, his disciples asked him:

People **Where do you want us to go and make preparations so you can eat the Passover meal?**

Reader 1 He directed two of his disciples,

Jesus Go into the city. A man carrying a water jug will meet you. Follow him. Ask the owner of whichever house he enters, 'The Teacher wants to know, where is the guest room where I can eat the Passover meal with my disciples?' He will show you a spacious second-story room, swept and ready. Prepare for us there.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The bread and wine are brought forward and the table is set

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Ave verum Corpus,
natum ex Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine,
cujus latus perforatum
unda fluxit sanguine:
Esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.
O dulcis, O pie!
O Jesu Fili Mariae.
Amen.*

AVE VERUM CORPUS E. Elgar

*Jesus, Word of God Incarnate,
of the Virgin Mary born,
on the cross thy sacred body
for us with nails was torn,
cleanse us by the blood and water
streaming from thy pierced side.
Feed us with thy body broken
now and in death's agony
O Jesu, O Jesu!
O Jesu hear us, Son of Mary.
Amen.*

Reader 1 The disciples left, came to the city, found everything just as he had told them, and prepared the Passover meal.

After sunset he came with the Twelve.
As they were at the supper table eating, Jesus said,

Jesus I have something that is difficult but important to say to you: One of you is going to hand me over to the conspirators, one who at this moment is eating with me.

Reader 1 Stunned, they started asking, one after another,

People **It isn't me, is it?**

Jesus It's one of the Twelve, one who eats with me out of the same bowl. In one sense, it turns out that the Son of Man is entering into a way of treachery well-marked by the Scriptures – no surprises here. In another sense, the man who turns him in, turns traitor to the Son of Man – better never to have been born than do this!

Reader 2 In the course of their meal, having taken and blessed the bread, he broke it and gave it to them. Then he said,

Celebrant Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Reader 2 Taking the chalice, he gave it to them, thanking God, and before they all drank from it. He said:

Celebrant 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.

Let us Pray. We pray you gracious Lord to accept this sacrifice of our praise, this memorial of our redemption. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: by Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

People **AMEN.**

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

The disciples are invited to come forth and receive Holy Communion.

Refrain

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re-

veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our hearts for

Verses

love we on - ly find in you, our God.

1. For jus - tice,
2. For wis - dom,
3. For heal - ing,
4. Lord save us,

- | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------|----|
| 1. for free - dom, | for mer - cy: | hear our prayer. | In |
| 2. for cour - age, | for com - fort: | hear our prayer. | In |
| 3. for whole - ness, | for new life: | hear our prayer. | In |
| 4. take pit - y, | light in our dark - ness. | | We |

to Refrain

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|-----------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| 1. sor - row, | in grief: | } be near, hear our prayer, O God. |
| 2. weak - ness, | in fear: | |
| 3. sick - ness, | in death: | |
| 4. call you, | we wait: | |

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1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

Refrain
 of thy bound-less love the to - ken.
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

SCENE 3: THE BETRAYAL AND ARREST

Reader 1 They sang a hymn and then went directly to The Mount of Olives, where Jesus said,

Jesus You're all going to feel that your world is falling apart and that it's my fault. There's a Scripture that says, 'I will strike the shepherd; The sheep will go helter-skelter.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you, leading the way to Galilee.

Reader 1 Peter blurted out,

Peter Even if everyone else is ashamed of you when things fall to pieces, I won't be.

Reader 1 Jesus said,

Jesus Don't be so sure. Today, this very night in fact, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Reader 1 He blustered in protest,

Peter Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you.

Reader 1 All the others said the same thing. They walked to an area called Gethsemane. Jesus then told his disciples,

Jesus Sit here while I pray.

Reader 1 He took Peter, James, and John with him. He plunged into a sinkhole of dreadful agony and said to them,

Jesus I feel bad enough right now to die. Stay here and keep vigil with me.

Reader 1 Going a little ahead, he fell to the ground and prayed for a way out:

Jesus Papa, Father, you can – can't you? – get me out of this. Take this cup away from me. Okay, I get it, it's not what I want – so what do you want?

Reader 1 He came back and found them sound asleep. Jesus said to Peter,

Jesus Simon, you went to sleep on me? Can't you stick it out with me a single hour? Stay alert, be in prayer, so you don't enter the danger zone without even knowing it. Don't be naive. Part of you is eager, ready for anything in God; but another part is as lazy as an old dog sleeping by the fire.

Reader 1 He then went back and prayed the same prayer.

Ostinato Refrain / Estribillo*

Stay here and keep watch with me. The hour has come.
Es - tén des - pier - tos, qué - den - se a - quí con - mi - go.

Stay here and keep watch with me. Watch and pray.
Es - tén des - pier - tos, qué - den - se. O - ren y ve - len.

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After singing the hymn three times, we continue with the prayers of the people as the music continues in the background.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Guide the People of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles. We pray for all immigrants, we pray for the people of Ukraine and for the perpetrators of the war.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader We commend to your mercy all who have died ✠, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

People **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

Reader 2 After returning from prayer where the disciples waited, again he found them asleep. They simply couldn't keep their eyes open, and they didn't have a plausible excuse. So he prayed some more, returned to them, only to find them sleeping again. Jesus said,

Jesus Are you going to sleep all night? Come on – you've slept long enough! Time's up. The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up. Let's get going. My betrayer has arrived.

Reader 2 No sooner were the words out of his mouth when Judas, one of his twelve disciples, showed up, and with him a gang of ruffians, sent by the High Priests, religion scholars, and leaders, brandishing swords and clubs. The betrayer had worked out a signal with them: "*The one I kiss, that's the one – seize him. Make sure he doesn't get away.*" He went straight to Jesus and said, "*Rabbi!*" and kissed him. The others then grabbed him and roughed him up. One of the men standing there unsheathed his sword, swung, and came down on the Chief Priest's Servant, lopping off the man's ear. Jesus said to them,

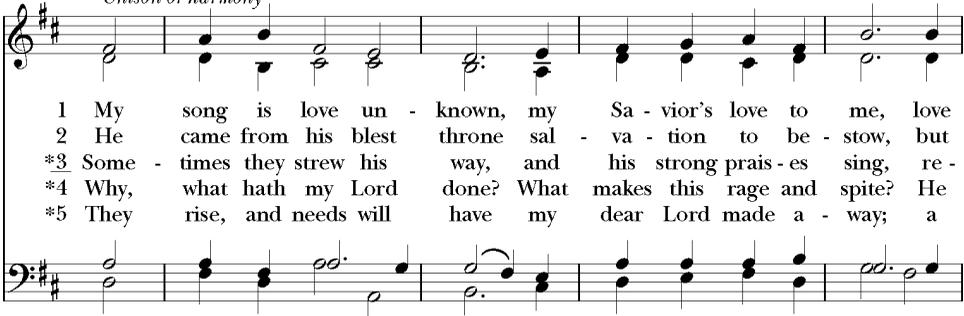
Jesus What is this, coming after me with swords and clubs as if I were a dangerous criminal? Day after day I've been sitting in the Temple teaching, and you never so much as lifted a hand against me. What you in fact have done is confirm the prophetic writings.

All the disciples went running. A young man was following along. All he had on was a bedsheet. Some of the men grabbed him but he got away.

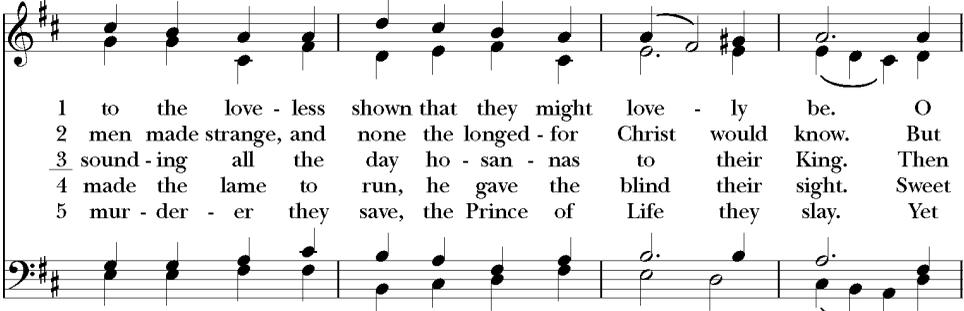
HYMN

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

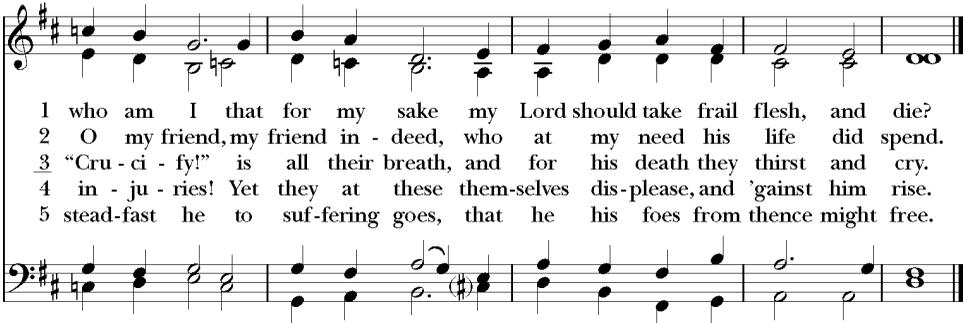
Unison or harmony



1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
 *3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
 *4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He
 *5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a



1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
 2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
 3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
 4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet
 5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.
 5 stead - fast he to suf - fer - ing goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

*6 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heaven was his home;
 but mine the tomb
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 no story so divine:
 never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine,
 This is my friend,
 in whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 could gladly spend.

Reader 1 They led Jesus to the Chief Priest, where the High Priests, religious leaders, and scholars had gathered together. Peter followed at a safe distance until they got to the Chief Priest's courtyard, where he mingled with the Servants and warmed himself at the fire.

The High Priests conspiring with the Jewish Council looked high and low for evidence against Jesus by which they could sentence him to death. They found nothing. Plenty of People were willing to bring in false charges, but nothing added up, and they ended up canceling each other out. Then a few of them stood up and said:

People **We heard him say, 'I am going to tear down this Temple, built by hard labor, and in three days build another without lifting a hand.'**

Reader 1 But they couldn't all agree about what he said or not.
In the middle of this, the Chief Priest stood up and asked Jesus,

High Priest What do you have to say to the accusation?

Reader 1 Jesus was silent. He said nothing.
The Chief Priest tried again, this time asking,

High Priest Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed?

Reader 1 Jesus said,

Jesus Yes, I am, and you'll see it yourself: The Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Mighty One, arriving on the clouds of heaven.

Reader 1 The Chief Priest lost his temper. Ripping his clothes, he yelled,

High Priest Did you hear that? After that do we need witnesses?
You heard the blasphemy. Are you going to stand for it?

Reader 1 They condemned him, one and all. The sentence: death.
Some of them started spitting at him. They blindfolded his eyes, then hit him, saying,

People **Who hit you? You should know, prophesy!**

Reader 1 The guards, punching and slapping, took him away.

Reader 2 While all this was going on, Peter was down in the courtyard. One of the Chief Priest's servant girls came in and, seeing Peter warming himself there, looked hard at him and said,

Servant You were with the Nazarene, Jesus.

Reader 2 He denied it:

Peter I don't know what you're talking about.

Reader 2 He went out on the porch. A rooster crowed.
The girl spotted him again and began telling the People standing around,

Servant He's one of them.

Reader 2 He denied it again. After a little while, the bystanders brought it up one more time.

Servant 2 You've got to be one of them. You've got 'Galilean' written all over you.

Reader 2 Now Peter got really nervous and he swore,

Peter I never laid eyes on this man you're talking about.

Reader 2 Just then the rooster crowed a second time. Peter remembered how Jesus had said,
"Before a rooster crows twice, you'll deny me three times." He collapsed in tears.



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
 5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
 3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

ACT 2

Nail Him to a Cross

SCENE 1: THE TRIAL AND PASSION

Reader 1 At dawn's first light, the High Priests, with the religious leaders and scholars, arranged a conference with the entire Jewish Council. After tying Jesus securely, they took him out and presented him to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

Pilate Are you the 'King of the Jews'?

Reader 1 He answered,

Jesus If you say so.

Reader 1 The High Priests let loose a barrage of accusations. Pilate asked again,

Pilate Aren't you going to answer anything? That's quite a list of accusations.

Reader 1 Still, he said nothing. Pilate was impressed, really impressed.

It was a custom at the Feast to release a prisoner, anyone the People asked for. There was one prisoner called Barabbas, locked up with the insurrectionists who had committed murder during the uprising against Rome. As the crowd came up and began to present its petition for him to release a prisoner, Pilate anticipated them:

Pilate Do you want me to release the King of the Jews to you?

Reader 1 Pilate knew by this time that it was through sheer spite that the High Priests had turned Jesus over to him. But the High Priests by then had worked up the crowd enough to ask for the release of Barabbas. So, Pilate asked,

Pilate What do I do with this man whom you call King of the Jews?

Reader 1 They yelled,

People **Nail him to a cross!**

Reader 1 Pilate hesitated,

Pilate But for what crime?

Reader 1 They yelled all the louder,

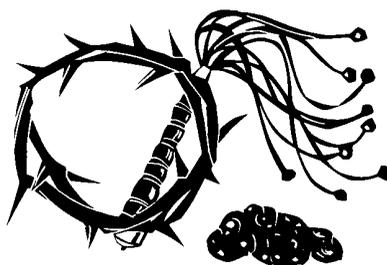
People **Nail him to a cross!**

Reader 1 Pilate gave the crowd what they wanted. He set Barabbas free and turned Jesus over for whipping and crucifixion.

The soldiers took Jesus into the palace and called together the entire brigade. They dressed him up in purple and put a crown plaited from a thorn bush on his head. Then they began their mockery:

People **Bravo, King of the Jews!**

Reader 1 They banged on his head with a club, spat on him, and knelt down in mock worship. After they had their fun, they took off the purple cape and put his own clothes back on him. Then they marched out to nail him to a cross.



HYMN

MY GOD, MY GOD

Refrain



Verses

1. All who see me laugh at me, they mock me and they shake their heads:
“He relied on the Lord, let the Lord be his refuge.”
2. As dogs around me, they circle me about.
Wounded me and pierced me, I can number all my bones.
3. My clothing they divided, for my garments casting lots,
O Lord, do not desert me, but hasten to my aid.
4. I will praise you to my people, and proclaim you in their midst,
O fear the Lord, my people, give glory to God’s name.

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SCENE 2: THE CRUCIFIXION

Reader 2 There was a man walking by, coming from work, Simon from Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. They made him carry Jesus' cross. The soldiers brought Jesus to Golgotha. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh to ease the pain, but he wouldn't take it. And they nailed him to the cross. They divided up his clothes and threw dice to see who would get them.

They nailed him up at nine o'clock in the morning. The charge against him – the king of the Jews – was printed on a poster. Along with him, they crucified two criminals, one to his right, the other to his left. People passing along the road jeered, shaking their heads in mock lament:

People **You bragged that you could tear down the Temple and then rebuild it in three days – show us how you're going to do that now! Save yourself! If you're really God's Son, come down from that cross!**

Reader 2 The High Priests, along with the religious scholars, were right there with the rest of them, poking fun at him:

People **He saved others – but he can't save himself! Messiah? King of Israel? Then let him climb down from that cross. We'll all become believers then!**

Reader 2 Even one of the men who was crucified by his side joined in the mockery.

At noon the sky became extremely dark. The darkness lasted three hours. At three o'clock, Jesus groaned out of the depths, crying loudly, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which means,

Jesus My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Reader 2 Some of the bystanders who heard him said,

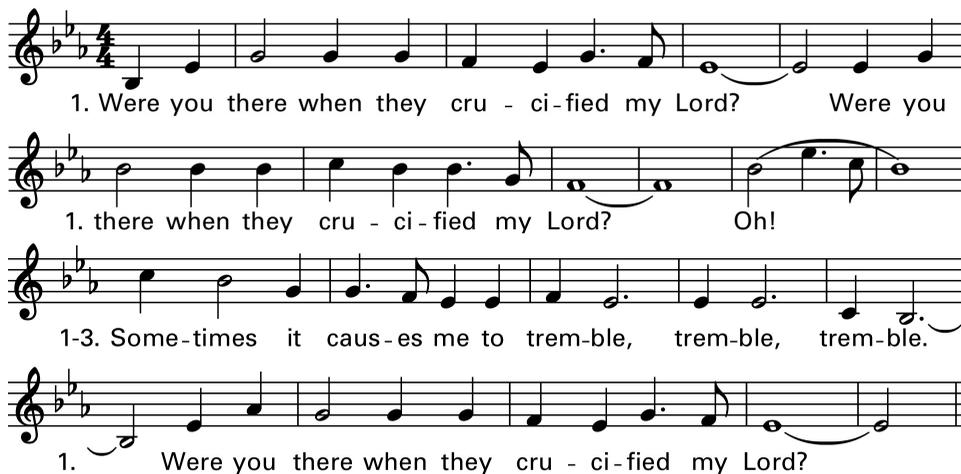
People **Listen, he's calling for Elijah.**

Reader 2 Someone ran off, soaked a sponge in sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

People **Let's see if Elijah will come to take him down.**

Reader 2 But Jesus, with a loud cry, gave his last breath. At that moment the Temple curtain ripped right down the middle. When the Roman captain standing guard in front of him saw that Jesus has stopped breathing he said,

People **This has to be the Son of God!**



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you

1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh!

1-3. Some - times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?

Reader 1

There were women watching from a distance, among them Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of the younger James and Joses, and Salome. When Jesus was in Galilee, these women followed and helped him, they came up with him to Jerusalem.

Late in the afternoon, since it was the Day of Preparation, the eve of the Jewish Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a highly respected member of the Council, came. He was one who lived expectantly hoping for the coming of God's kingdom. Working up his courage he went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. Pilate questioned whether he would be dead yet and called for the captain to check and see. Assured by the captain, he gave Joseph the corpse.

Having already purchased a linen shroud, Joseph took him down, wrapped him in the shroud, placed him in a tomb that had been cut into the rock, and rolled a large stone across the opening. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary watched the burial.



3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you
 3. there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!
 1-3. Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.
 3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

As the hymn is sung the congregation is invited to approach the cross and write prayers for yourself and for the world on the Post-Its provided. During Holy Week we invite you to meditate on the meaning of the cross to you. Be prepared for the third act of the story to continue during Holy Week.

ACT 3: HOLY WEEK & EASTER

APR 12 TUE	7:00P	Tenebrae	<i>San Gabriel @ St. James'</i>
APR 13 THUR	7:00P	Maundy Thursday	<i>St. David's, Ashburn</i>
APR 14 FRI	3:00P	Stations of the Cross for Youth/Children	<i>Chapel in the Woods</i>
	7:00P	Women of the Passion: Stations of the Cross from the perspective of the women in Jesus' life.	<i>Belmont Ridge Middle School</i>
APR 21 SUN	7:30A	Easter Sunrise Service	<i>Chapel in the Woods</i>
	10:00A	Easter Sunday Mass (<i>in English</i>)	<i>Belmont Ridge Middle School</i>
	3:00P	Misa Domingo de Pascua (<i>en español</i>)	<i>San Gabriel @ St. James'</i>

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers...

THE CHURCH

The Archbishop of Canterbury; The Most Rev. Justin Welby; Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; The Bishops of the Diocese of Virginia: +Susan Goff, +Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, and +Porter Taylor; for our clergy: Fr. Daniel+ and Deacon Holly+; for Susie, postulant to the diaconate, and for Dj, aspirant to Holy Orders.

In our parish, we pray for Carol, Mark, Madeline and Spencer DuPuis.

In our Diocese, we pray for Calvary, Hanover; Clarke Parish (Grace & St. Mary's), Berryville; St. David's Aylett.

We pray for the discernment, search process, and consecration of the fourteenth bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of North India (United).

ST. GABRIEL'S COMMUNITY

We pray for the community of Saint Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel, St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds, Saint James', and the students and staff of Belmont Ridge Middle School; for our Lay Leaders & Staff, the Music Ministers and choir members, Sunday School teachers, Child Care Providers, volunteers, and Vestry.

We pray for the healing, wholeness, comfort, guidance, and safe travel of the following people in our faith community: María Flores; Deacon Holly, Clint, and family; Máximo Vélez; Laura Argueta vda. de López; George Dyson; Anthony Holley; Rob Buchanan; Sheri Muilenburg; Katherine Clayton; Tony and Lesina Visgaitis and family; Mario Roberto Mejía Arias; Juanita Gardner; Michael and Laura Smith & family; Worrall family; Cindy LoSasso; Rob Schwartzman; John Shook; Kelly Wilkinson and family; Rigoberto Somuano and Concepción Rojas; Griselda Frías; Phyllis Simpson; Shelly Rodriguez; Janice Queen; Peter Schweitzer and family; Gonzalo Mendoza; Myrta Mercado; Jack Cusack; Ethan Newland and family; Ruth Brown; Molly Mitchell; Jack and Betty Barden; Gideon Darden.

We pray for our college students: Grace Shaffer; Aidan Baron, Lindsey Thompson; Isabella Ballesteros, Samara Umanzor Ortega, Brad Mejía, Zane Knowlton, McKayla Shaffer, Preston Newland, Jacob Denzin, Avera Worrall, Abi Hernandez-Cruz, Annie Cusack, Michelle Balderrama Burgoa, Danny Costanza, Conor Rice, Eddie Queen, Nina Costanza, Leslie Lewis, Marie Victoria Frías Pomárez, and Elinore McLain.

We pray for our parishioners serving in the Armed Forces: Jamaal A. Boyd (U.S. Army), Joseph Castillejos (U.S. Army), Karyna Beatriz Saavedra (U.S. Marines) and Roger Castillo Niquén (Peruvian Army).

THE WORLD

Our prayers for President Biden, Vice President Harris, members of the United States Congress, Governor Youngkin, Mayor Burke, and the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, and for elected officials throughout the world.

For the victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse, and natural disasters in the world. For Ukraine and Russia, and for the suffering and loss caused by the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHRINE MONT PARISH RETREAT

We are very excited to be returning to Shrine Mont this year! Shrine Mont is the best place for the body of Christ of St. Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel to come together in one place for an extended period of time, to pray, dream and look to the future together. Our retreat is set for the weekend of May 20th - May 22nd. You can reserve for one night, both nights, or do a day trip. Registration forms are available on the church table. **Registration deadline is Monday, May 2, 2022, and fees due by the first day of the retreat, Friday, May 20.** Please don't let finances keep you from joining us, scholarships are available. Talk with Fr. Daniel for more info on scholarships.

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

All are welcome to participate in an interactive Good Friday walk to each Station of the Cross at the Chapel in the Woods. Participants will gradually build a cross with items that symbolize the Passion story of Christ at each of the 14 stations. Join us **Friday, April 15 at 3pm at the Chapel in the Woods.**

Directions: Located at the corner of Battlefield Parkway and Fort Evans Road, Leesburg. Please park at the former Atlantic Union Bank in the Fort Evans II Plaza (in the same shopping center where Marshalls is located).

RABBI NEIL TOW AND MEMBERS OF CONGREGATION SHA'ARE SHALOM WILL JOIN FOR THE 3PM SERVICE FOR THE BEGINNING OF PASSOVER AND HOLY WEEK

Rabbi Tow and members of the Temple will participate in the 3pm service today on the occasion that marks our Holy Week and the Jewish Passover. Jesus triumphantly entered Jerusalem at the beginning of the Passover Feast which became the Christian Palm Sunday. The Jewish people are required to remove yeast and all leavened foods from their homes during Passover and if necessary, sell it, according to the book of Exodus. This year Sh'are Shalom will sell their yeast and leavened products to St. Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel for Passover, Fr. Daniel will make a donation to the Rabbi's discretionary fund in exchange of the yeast and leaven products. This visit will mark the beginning of our high Holy Days together.

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EASTER FLOWERS



You are invited to contribute towards the purchase of Easter Flowers which will adorn our altar on Easter Sunday. The suggested donation is \$15.00. You can donate in memory or honor of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion.

Please fill out this page and make the check payable to St. Gabriel's~San Gabriel, please mark memo line "*Easter Flowers*". You can also make your donation via e-giving on our website, SaintGabriels.net.

The deadline is Monday April 11.

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**All contributions received in the office by Monday, April 11
will be acknowledged in the Easter Sunday bulletins.**

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BLESSINGS FROM ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church started public worship in the Spring of 2002 to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the growing communities of Leesburg, Lansdowne, and Ashburn in Loudoun County, Virginia. Our mission is to "Encounter God, Build Meaningful Relationships, and Make a Difference in the World" through inspiring worship, faith-building discipleship, warm fellowship, heartfelt pastoral care, active evangelism, outreach, and service. We live into our mission statement through word and deed, with God's help!

St. Gabriel's is a welcoming, hospitable, and inclusive faith community, open to people at any stage in their faith journey with Christ. We value human diversity and seek to be a church that reflects the breadth of those who live in our community. We have life-long Christians as well as spiritual seekers and we welcome you just as God made you, without conditions or barriers. In our worship services you can dress up or dress down, God doesn't care what you wear, nor do we! We extend an invitation to get to know you so that you can develop your faith and we hope that you will invite others to share the spiritual gifts that you find here!

St. Gabriel's is the first bilingual (English-Spanish), multicultural and multiethnic Episcopal congregation in Loudoun County. Worship takes place in four locations and in two languages: the English-language services are at the Belmont Ridge Middle School each Sunday and at Ashby Ponds on the third Tuesday of every month. The Spanish-language service is at Saint James' in Leesburg, and in warm months we worship one Saturday a month at the Chapel in the Woods. We invite you to help us continue building the kingdom of God in this corner of Leesburg through prayer, love, commitment to God and community, joyful worship, and Christian service. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, know that this is a loving community. Blessings and peace!

WORSHIP

10:00 am Sunday Mass in English

*Belmont Ridge Middle School
19045 Upper Belmont Place, Leesburg*

St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds Chapel

*Third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am
21170 Ashby Ponds Blvd. Ashburn, VA 20147*

3:00 pm Misa Dominical en español

*San Gabriel en St. James'
14 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg*

The Chapel in the Woods

*Open any time you wish to pray
Corner of Battlefield Pkwy/Ft. Evans Rd.*

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