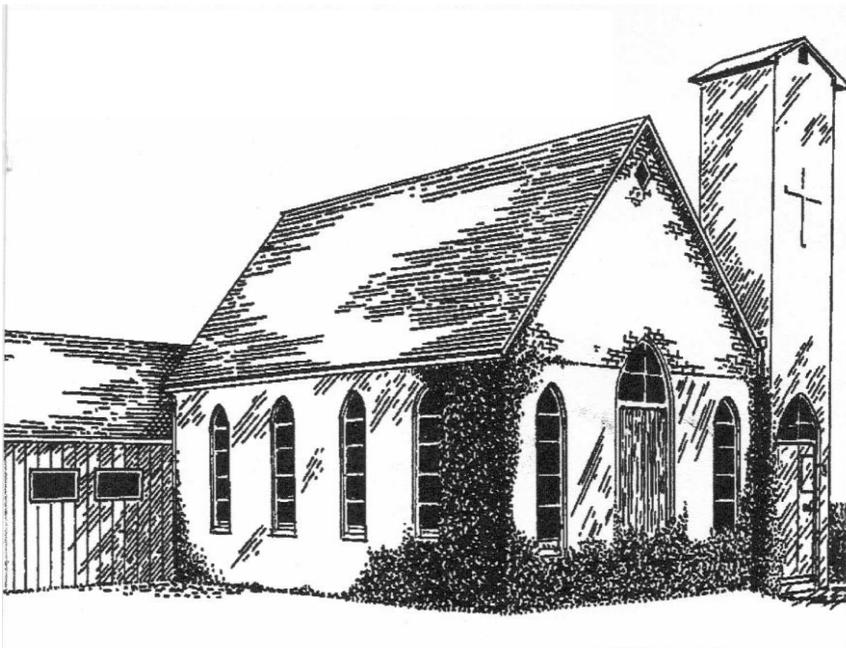


# St. John's Episcopal Church

## The Sunday of The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

April 13, 2014



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# Holy Eucharist

**The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday**

Sunday, April 13, 2014

## Liturgy of the Palms

*The people gather in the parish hall so that all may process into the church.*

*The following is sung, all standing*

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

*The Celebrant then continues*

*Celebrant*            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.*

*All stand.*

Matthew 21:1-11

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

*The Celebrant then says the following blessing*

*People*           The Lord be with you.  
                    And also with you.  
*Celebrant*       Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*           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.*

*The Celebrant and People together say*

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

## **Procession**

*People*           Let us go forth in peace.  
                    In the name of Christ. Amen.

*The people will process from the parish hall into the church, all holding palm branches in their hands.*

*Thou art the King of Isreal*

Hymnal 154

*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 stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.*

## Collect of the Day

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

## First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

*All sit.*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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

*Remain seated.*

## Psalm 118:1-2,19-29

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## Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

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

*All stand.*

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus,  
2. Though no one join me, still I will fol - low,  
3. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me,

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No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back!  
(no turn - ing back,)

## Passion Gospel

Matthew 26:14—27:66

*All may be seated for the reading of the Passion Gospel. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha all stand.*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

## Sermon

The Rev. Rebecca Myers

## Nicene Creed

*All stand.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People**

*All remain standing.*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

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.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our Bishop Doug, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our President Barack, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the city of Corbin, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those celebrating birthdays, particularly Mike and Margaret, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those serving in the armed forces, particularly Silvestre, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Sally, Les, Jeff, Juanita, Jerry, Barbara, Cory, Jane, Calvin, Bill, Raymond, Elaine, Mary, Elaine, Jack, Linda, baby Ozzy, Dorothy, Avery, Laci Jo, Ray, June, Pam, Bishop Doug, Kaye, Donna and family, Rob, Paula, and Wayne, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

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.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, particularly for Doris, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of St. John the Evangelist and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*Silence*

*The Celebrant continues*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*All kneel.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **Peace**

*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**

*Announcements may be made at this point in the service.*

## **Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## **Offertory Hymn**

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord*

Hymnal 172

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*



*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.



*The Celebrant then continues*

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

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.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
*have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
*have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
*grant us peace.*

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

## Communion Hymn

*Let us break bread together on our knees*

Hymnal 325

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## Blessing

*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.*

## Postcommunion Hymn

*O sacred head, sore wounded*

Hymnal 168

## Dismissal

*Celebrant*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*                Thanks be to God.

## News & Notes

**Rebecca's Schedule:** Next week, Rebecca will be in Corbin all week. You can reach to Rebecca by calling 859 -429-1659 or [priest-in-charge@stjohnscorbin.org](mailto:priest-in-charge@stjohnscorbin.org).

**Adult Forum:** There will be no adult forum next week. We will resume on April 27, with a 7-week Easter series on *Resurrection Living*.

**Passion Play:** First Baptist Church London presents their annual Passion Play April 13 (10am), 14, 15, 17 (7pm). Call 606-864-4194 for free tickets. Billy Hibbitts and Amber Pearce are singing in this production.

**David Cooke of Grow Appalachia** will come Wednesday, April 16, 5pm

**Daughters of the King** meets the third Wednesday of each month at 4:30pm. The next meeting is April 16.

**Flowers for the altar:** Today is the last Sunday for donations for Easter Flowers. Envelopes are available. Mark whether this is in memoriam or in honor of someone.

**Easter Pot Luck Brunch**, 10am. Arrive at 10am and bring a brunch dish to share.

**Easter Egg Hunt** There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children after the service on Easter.

**St. George's Day, Saturday, April 26, Cathedral Domain.** Mary Swinford will be confirmed at the 3pm service. Spend the weekend or come for the day. Reservations for overnight must be received by April 18. Meals are included in the overnight stay or can be purchased separately if you are coming for the day. You are also welcome to bring your own food and have a picnic on the grounds. <http://www.cathedraldomain.org/stgeorge2014.html>

**Belk Charity Sales Day: The Belk Charity Sales Day will be Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00am to 10:00am.** Ticket may be purchased for \$5 tickets from our ECW, which allow you entrance to the sale and \$5 off your purchase. We are trying to sell 100 tickets, which provides \$500 for the church and tremendous savings for you!

**We're buying goats!** The *Lazarus at the Gates* Adult Forum study has prompted us to purchase goats through Episcopal Relief and Development for families in the Philippines. Goats provide milk, cheese, and manure for farming. Donations towards the \$80 purchase of each goat can be made through the goat bank in the parish hall or in the offering plate clearly marked ERD goat project.

**Palm Sunday Service:** Plan to attend a community-wide Palm Sunday Service, Sunday afternoon, April 13, Grace on the Hill. The service is sponsored by the Southeast Kentucky Ministerial Alliance and Rebecca will be preaching

**Easter Preparations:** Assist with preparing the church for Easter on Saturday, April 19, noon - 2:00pm.

**Maundy Thursday/Good Friday Vigil:** Sign up to pray in the church overnight from Maundy Thursday, April 17, 8pm until Good Friday morning, 6am. Please see Bruce Cory if you would like to participate.

**Community Holy Week Services:** Each day during Holy Week, the Southeast Kentucky Ministerial Alliance invites you to attend lunch and worship at neighboring churches. Canned Food will also be collected for area food pantries. Lunch is served 11:30-12:30, with a short service from 12:30-12:55. Offering collected is used for the Alliance to meet the needs of people in our region who need assistance. The following is the schedule of services:

<b>Monday, April 14:</b>	Sacred Heart
<b>Tuesday, April 15:</b>	Corbin Presbyterian
<b>Wednesday, April 16:</b>	Central Baptist
<b>Thursday, April 17:</b>	Grace on the Hill
<b>Friday, April 18:</b>	First Baptist

#### **Schedule of Services for Holy Week at St. John's:**

<b>Monday, April 14:</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>6pm</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 15:</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>6pm</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 16:</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>6pm</b>
<b>Thursday, April 17:</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday Service (Vigil until Friday morning)</b>	<b>7pm</b>
<b>Friday, April 18:</b>	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	<b>7pm</b>
<b>Saturday, April 19:</b>	<b>Easter Vigil</b>	<b>8pm</b>

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