



Sherwood Episcopal Church

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March 28, 2021 @ 10 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

Fanfare - Arthur Bliss

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey, Rector

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A READING FROM MARK - 11:1-11

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

"Hosanna!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

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

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

Confitemini Domino

- 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.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN – 154, v. 1, 3 & 4

All glory, laud, and honor

1 Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest,
the King and Blessed One. (Refrain)

Refrain:
All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

3 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present.

4 To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise.

THE LITURGY OF THE LORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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—
awakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

PSALM 31:9-16

In te, Domine, speravi

- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; ***
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief,**
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,**
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; ***
I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;**
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. ***
I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; ***
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, ***
and in your loving-kindness save me."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

The Passion Gospel is read in parts led by a narrator who begins by saying

NARRATOR: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

The Passion narrative continues.

Please see the separate PDF file The Passion According to Mark.

*Following the passion reading, let us pause for a period of silent reflection
on God's holy word.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form IV, BCP, p. 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for all those impacted by COVID-19, and especially for those on our parish prayer list: Sally, Debbie, Shannon, Jeff & Kim, Norma, Margaret, Ed, Laura, Joyce, Christine, Mike and his family, Kendall, Marge, Sarah, Joe, Gail, Steve W., Michelle, Joe G., Jay, Rick, Ella Mae, Steve & Debbie, Jeanetta, Christina, Khalil, Charles, Samantha, Courtney, Steve S., Debbie H., Danny, Allison, Sandy & Jack, Jen, the Lawry family, Virginia, Susie H., the Alexander family, and Kiernan & Colleen.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating anniversaries as well as birthdays including Kathleen and Kevin.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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. We especially pray for and give thanks for the life of Jean Goldsmith. We also pray for the ten victims, their families, and friends of the Boulder, Colorado shooting.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant concludes

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another virtually with a sign of God's peace.

We continue to do God's work and your contributions of any size make a huge difference.

You may now contribute online via our website. Go [here](#) to check it out.

(sherwoodcockeyville.org/give) Or if you would prefer, mail in your contribution to 5 Sherwood Road, Cockeysville, 21030. We are checking the mail regularly and depositing any checks. Thank you!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

When I am laid in earth (Dido and Aeneas) - Henry Purcell

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A – BCP pg. 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

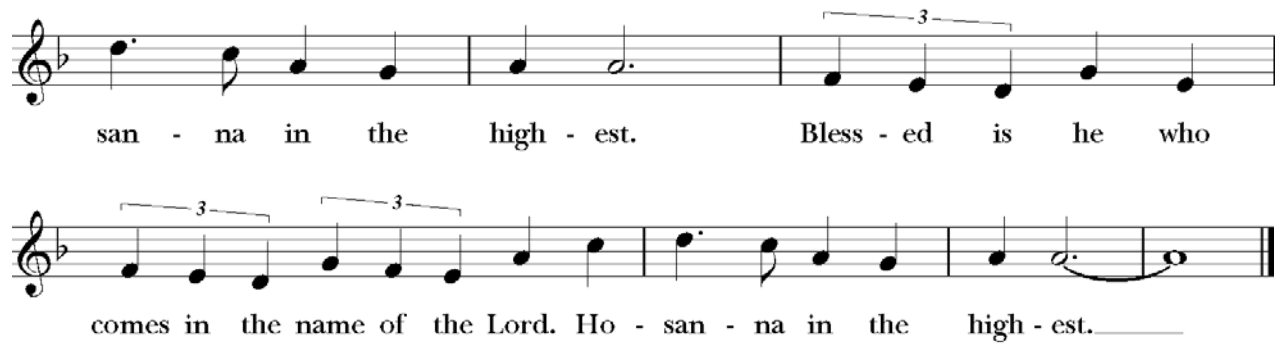
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS – S129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prayers over the bread and wine.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer and at the conclusion says

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 forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP pg. 364

The Celebrant says

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI - S157

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

Celebrant:

Let us say together the prayer for spiritual communion.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

*The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the People, and the People respond, **Amen***

HYMN - 168

O sacred head, sore wounded

1 O sacred head, sore wounded,
defiled and put to scorn;
O kingly head, surrounded
with mocking crown of thorn:
what sorrow mars thy grandeur?
Can death thy bloom deflower?
O countenance whose splendor
the hosts of heaven adore!

2 Thy beauty, long-desirèd,
hath vanished from our sight;
thy power is all expirèd,
and quenched the light of light.
Ah me! for whom thou diest,
hide not so far thy grace:
show me, O Love most highest,
the brightness of thy face.

3 In thy most bitter passion
my heart to share doth cry,
with thee for my salvation
upon the cross to die.
Ah, keep my heart thus movèd
to stand thy cross beneath,
to mourn thee, well-belovèd,
yet thank thee for thy death.

4 What language shall I borrow
to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this thy dying sorrow,
thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever!
and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never,
outlive my love for thee.

5 My days are few, O fail not,
with thine immortal power,
to hold me that I quail not
in death's most fearful hour;
that I may fight befriended,
and see in my last strife
to me thine arms extended
upon the cross of life.

THE DISMISSAL

As we go forth into the world, refreshed and renewed, we reaffirm our commitment to our mission as a congregation:

God commands us to enthusiastically cast open our doors to embrace all, impacting lives through bold service, no exceptions!

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please conclude the service in silence. Thank you.

Worship Participants from Studio Sherwood

Officiant: The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey

Music Director & Organist: Greg Sesek

Cantor: Cassidy Dixon

Lectors: Anne Wismer & Greg Szymaszek

Broadcast Engineer: Stephanie Everts

Usher: Anne Wismer

Thank you for joining us for our virtual worship this morning. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page for updates and also remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel. If you are interested in receiving our e-newsletter, please contact Carey Mednick at sherwoodparish@gmail.com.

This Week at Sherwood

Registration is open and required for in-person worship. Services will be broadcast on Facebook Live, our website, and YouTube.

Go to <https://rsvp.church/r/G9LamHpg> to register or leave a message at 410-666-2810.

Saturday

Adult Lenten Bible Study @ 9 am

Sunday

Children's Lenten Bible Study @ 12 noon

Monday

Office closed

Thursday

Maundy Thursday Service @ 6 pm

Friday

Good Friday Service @ Noon

Communion by the Red Door and Palm Distribution:

Join us after the Palm Sunday service for Communion by the Red Door and Palm Distribution. We hope to "lay eyes" on you during communion and as we distribute palms.

Needing a Few Good Readers and Greeters:

As we begin to re-gather in person, we will need people to be ushers and/or readers. If you are comfortable worshiping in church, please consider one of these vital Sherwood ministries. Training will be provided. Interested? Contact Mother Nancy (sherwoodrector@gmail.com) or Carey Mednick (sherwoodparish@gmail.com).

More Pew Seats Available?

When you register to join us for worship and it appears there are no vacancies, please be sure to continue to check back. You may find that spaces have opened up, even when there appeared to be no spaces previously. So, don't be shy! Registration will remain open until Saturday night.

Our Covenant for Regathering:

Please read the [Covenant for Regathering](https://images.yourfaithstory.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2020/05/20184353/Covenant-for-Regathering-5_20.pdf) before you plan to join us for worship in person. The covenant models the form of our baptismal covenant that serves as our outline of faith. Everyone's full cooperation in following the safety guidelines will ensure a calm and safe reopening. We look forward to seeing you!

https://images.yourfaithstory.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2020/05/20184353/Covenant-for-Regathering-5_20.pdf

What Does it Mean to be Confirmed, Received, or Reaffirmed?

Mother Nancy is inviting anyone (especially new members) who would like to be confirmed, received, or reaffirmed into the Episcopal Church to speak to her.

What does this mean? Most of us are familiar with **confirmation** as a course of one's Christian development. It is a mature public affirmation of one's faith and commitment to the responsibilities of one's Baptism and participants will receive the laying on of hands by their bishop. (BCP, pg. 412)

Others who were confirmed previously by a bishop in the historic succession (Roman Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, or Eastern Orthodox) or have made an adult affirmation of their faith (baptized as adults) may be formally *received* into the Episcopal Church.

And still others, who feel they are experiencing a spiritual awakening, or their confirmation experience is now a blurry memory, may want to formally *reaffirm* their faith.

There will be formal instruction and preparation for anyone who desires to be confirmed, received, or reaffirmed. This instruction will conclude with the Regional Confirmation Service in June. Interested in exploring this? Speak to Mother Nancy or email her at sherwoodrector@gmail.com.

EASTER FLOWERS

Please complete this form and mail it to: Sherwood Episcopal Church, 5 Sherwood Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030

- Or email your names to sherwoodparish@gmail.com
- Or leave a voicemail at 410-666-2180
- Or go to our website at sherwoodcockeysville.org/easter-2021-flowers/

Mail in your donation and write Easter Flowers in the memo. DEADLINE TO SEND IN NAMES IS THURSDAY, APRIL 1. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

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Name(s) you would like listed under "In thanksgiving/honor for"

Name(s) you would like listed under "In memory of"
