

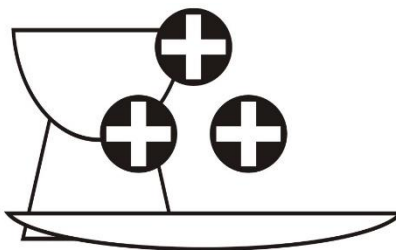
PALM SUNDAY



SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

MARCH 28, 2021

11 AM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
THE BRONX, NEW YORK

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

WELCOME TO TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH. We are the *"FAMILY OF FAITH"* here in the Castle Hill section of the Bronx, New York. *"Trinity exists to receive and share God's gifts."*

IS TODAY YOUR FIRST TIME? Welcome once more! Thank you for being with us today. If you are interested in learning more about Trinity, joining our parish or speaking more about things going on in your life, please connect with Pastor Gonzalez. You can reach him at pastor@trinitylutheranbronx.org. We hope that this is not your last time with us & we that you'll continue to share in our joy as a Family of Faith!

THE ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE is printed in this booklet (*which is also called the "bulletin."*). LARGE PRINT EDITIONS of this are available at the entrance in the narthex (*the back of the church*). RESTROOMS are located in the side hallway of the sanctuary (*the area of the church where we worship*), which can be accessed through the side door, near the front of the church. A CHANGING TABLE is available in the women's restroom, along with a handicap-accessible stall.

A FEW REMINDERS FOR WORSHIP DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC:

As you arrive:

- All attending in-person worship must clean your hands when entering. MASKS ARE REQUIRED & must be worn covering your nose and mouth. If you do not have a mask, we will have extras available. Hand sanitizer will also be available.
- If you have already visited with family and feel comfortable sitting with extended family, this is fine. We simply ask that groups maintain 8ft. of physical distance from one another.

During Worship

- **SHARING OF THE PEACE:**
 - ~ All attending in-person worship will be able to share the peace in a usual fashion with their “family group.” To maintain physical distance, we are encouraged to share the peace making the sign of peace (✌️) with other Family of Faith members.
- **HOLY EUCHARIST:**
 - ~ During the distribution of the Sacrament, Pastor & those assisting with communion will sanitize their hands before distribution.
 - ~ After the Order of the Eucharist, Pastor will intinct (“dip”) the bread/Body into the wine/Blood, then place the host onto the hands of the person receiving the Body & Blood of Jesus.

After Worship:

- At the end of worship, there will be a time for anyone who desires to leave immediately following worship to exit first after announcements. Following this time, those who are comfortable gathering are welcome to do so.

In the Name of Jesus

P: In the Name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna to the Son of David.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, 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 everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Holy Gospel: Mark 11:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

(after the reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

(The congregation lifts the palm branches.)

P: We praise and thank you, O God, for the great 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 acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you ☩ bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: in the Name of Christ.

Processional Hymn: HOSANNA!

--Paul Baloché

(During the hymn, the congregation WAVES their palm branches.)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you—We turn to you.
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for you—We long for you.
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence, all our fears are washed away—Washed away!

CHORUS:

HOSANNA! HOSANNA!

You are the God who saves us! Worthy of all our praises!

HOSANNA! HOSANNA!

Come have Your way among us! We welcome you here, Lord Jesus!

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You—We turn to You.
In your Kingdom, broken lives are made new—You make us new.
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence, all our fears are washed away—Washed away!

CHORUS *(see above)*

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence, all our fears are washed away.
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence, all our fears are washed away —Washed away!

CHORUS (2X) *(see above)*

HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HOSANNA!

Liturgy of the Holy Word

Apostolic Greeting and Prayer of the Day

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

(Please kneel for prayer.)

A: Let us pray...

C: Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens-- wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 31:9-16



Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am | in distress;
my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body | also.
For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with | sighing;
my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones | waste away.
Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach,
especially to my | neighbors,
and an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street | flee from me.
I have been forgotten like one | who is dead;
I have become like a broken | vessel.
For I hear the whispering of many—terror on | every side!—
as they scheme together against me, as they plot to | take my life.
But I trust in | you, O Lord;
I say, “You | are my God.”
My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my perse- | cutors!
Make your face shine on your | servant;
save me in your | steadfast love!
Glory be to the Father and | to the ✠ Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle (Letter) 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.

Verse *(Please remain seated for reading of the Lord's Passion.)*

C: (sung) Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love!

Holy Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 14th and 15th chapters.



(after the reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



C: (sung) Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love!

Sermon *(Followed by Silence for prayer & meditation)*

Sermon Reflection: What is one thing I've learned from God's Word today
and will TAKE with me into the world?

Hymn of the Day: No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

--LSB 444

1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet
 2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;
 4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake

With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's
 With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's

mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"
 cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.

To greet what pomp of king - ly pride
 A - stride a colt He pass - es by
 The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,
 Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name

No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing
 As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y
 The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
 Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed

o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

Nicene Creed

(In celebration of the holy incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bow while confessing the words, "For us and for our salvation....and was made man." In thanksgiving for our baptism, we may cross ourselves at the words "life of the world to come.")

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.

Who 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.

Prayer of the Church

Greetings & Welcome

Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

Offering

Offertory Hymn: Create In Me A Clean Heart, O God

--LSB 192



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray... Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Preface

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...

Sanctus (Holy)

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,

bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*(Please **kneel** for the Eucharistic Prayer & The Words of our Lord, Jesus.)*

P: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way. In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin. (*)

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD JESUS *(Las Palabras De Nuestro Señor Jesús)*

*Our Lord Jesus Christ on the night in which He was betrayed took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take and eat. This is my Body given for you. This do in remembrance of me. (***)*

*In the same way also He took the cup after supper and when He had given thanks He gave it for all to drink saying: Drink of it, all of you. This is the new covenant in my Blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. This do as often as you drink it in remembrance of me. (***)*

La noche en que fue entregado, nuestro Señor Jesús tomó pan y dio gracias; lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, diciendo:

Tomen y coman; esto es mi cuerpo, dado por ustedes.

*Hagan esto en memoria mía. (***)*

De igual manera, después de haber cenado, tomó la copa, dio gracias y la dio a beber a todos, diciendo:

*Esta copa es el nuevo pacto en mi sangre, derramada por ustedes y por todo el mundo para el perdón del pecado. Hagan esto en memoria mía. (***)*

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore, His death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the Church say, "Amen."

C: Amen.

P: Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the Church say, "Amen."

C: Amen.

P: Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever, as we, Your Church, say, "Amen!"

C: Amen.

(The congregation stands and holds hands.)

Pater Noster (Our Father)

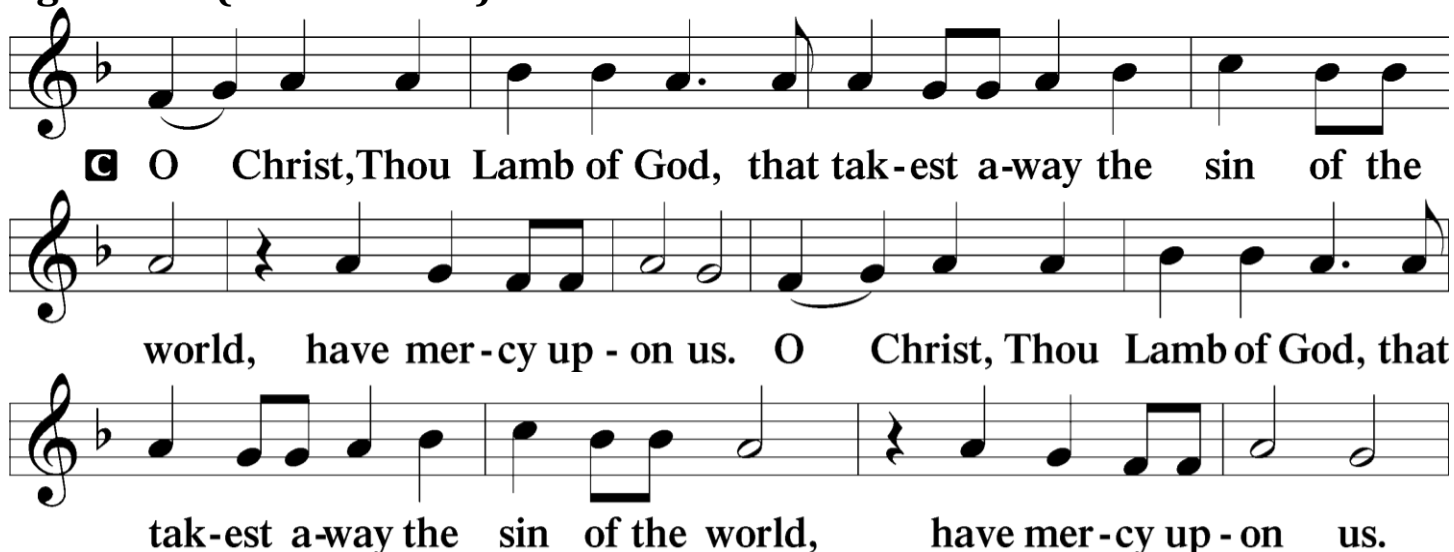
P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

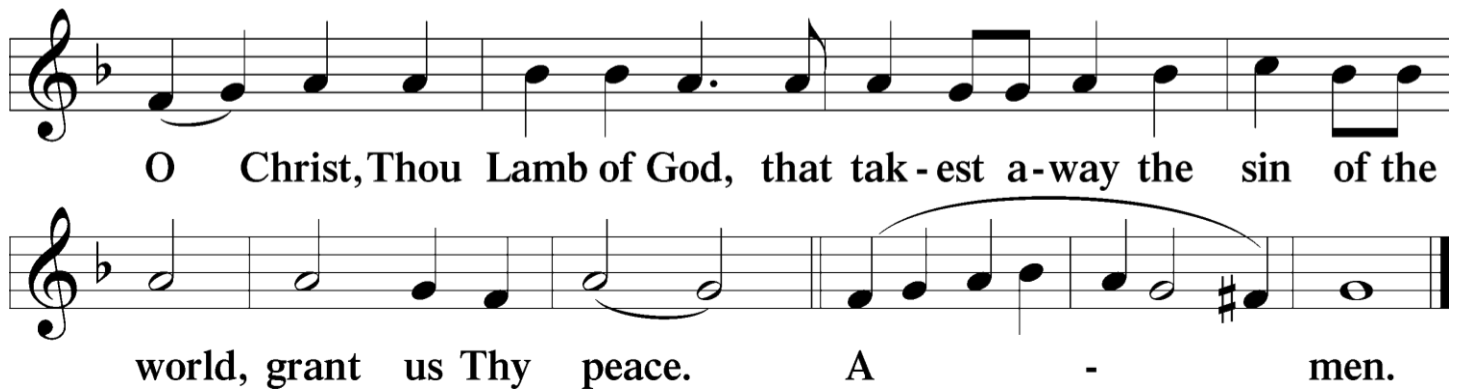
Pax Domini (Peace of the Lord)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



P: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to come to His Supper.

C: O Lord, we are not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and we shall be healed.

Distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ

(PLEASE meditate in SILENCE during this time, both before and after receiving the Holy Eucharist. Use this time for prayer and thanksgiving. After all have received, we stand together as we lift our voices in song.)

Meditation Hymn: You Make Me Brave

--Bethel Music

I stand before You now
The greatness of Your renown
I have heard of the majesty, and wonder of You
King of heaven, in humility I bow

As Your love, in wave after wave
Crashes over me, crashes over me
For You are for us, You are not against us
Champion of heaven, You made a way for all to enter in

I have heard You calling my name
I have heard the song of love that You sing
O Lord, I will let You draw me out
Beyond the shore into Your grace... Lord, Your grace!

For Your love, in wave after wave
Crashes over me, crashes over me
For You are for us, You are not against us
Champion of heaven, You made a way for all to enter in

'Cause You make me brave, You make me brave
You call me out beyond the shore into the waves
You make me brave, You make me brave
No fear can hinder now, the love that made a way

You make me brave, You make me brave
You call me out beyond the shore into the waves
You make me brave, You make me brave
No fear can hinder now, the promises You made

Because Your love, in wave after wave
Is crashing over me, crashing over me
For You are for us, You are not against us
Champion of heaven, You made a way for all...

Because Your love, in wave after wave
Is crashing over me, crashing over me
For You are for us, You are not against us
Champion of heaven, You made a way
Champion of heaven, You made a way for all to enter in

Dismissal

P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace until life ☩ everlasting.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray...

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Blessing for Lent: The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His Face toward you and give you peace

Amen, Amen, Amen. **(2X)**

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His Face toward you and give you peace

Amen, Amen, Amen. **(4X)**

May His favor be upon you and a thousand generations
Of your family and your children
And their children and their children **(3X)**

May His presence go before you
And behind you and beside you
All around you And within you
He is with you He is with you
In the morning, in the evening
In your coming and your going
In your weeping and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you

May His presence go before you
And behind you and beside you
All around you And within you
He is with you He is with you

Amen, Amen, Amen. **(2X)**

May His favor be upon you and a thousand generations
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And behind you and beside you
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Amen, Amen, Amen. **(4X)**

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His Face toward you and give you peace.

*(Following the hymn, **please be seated** for final announcements from Pastor)*

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR UPCOMING DIGITAL EVENTS AND INFORMATION!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE! As we move through the Lenten season, we prepare for the wonderful blessing of Holy Week! This will be a blessed time to gather together, especially as we remember the death & glorious resurrection of our Lord. This year, the schedule for Holy Week is as follows:

- Sunday, March 28, 2021—Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday – 11 AM
- Thursday, April 1, 2021—Maundy Thursday – 7:30 PM
- Friday, April 2, 2021—Good Friday – 7:30 PM
- Saturday, April 3, 2021—The Great Vigil of Easter – 5 PM
- Sunday, April 4, 2021—The Celebration of Easter Sunday – 11 AM

“LIFT” (LEARNING IN FAITH @ TRINITY)! Would you like to be baptized, receive Holy Communion, or join our "Family of Faith" here at Trinity? We are excited about sharing our faith with others. Together, we give thanks to God for our opportunities to join Trinity as a member and learn more about the Christian faith. This happens in our LIFT Classes, specifically designed for adults to learn and become members. For more information, please speak with Pastor G.

FROM PASTOR G.

*We will respect, love, and give thanks for all who attend in-person & for all who continue to worship through digital means, no matter their preference. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE OFFENSE at the different ways that people may greet one another in-person. **If you are concerned that you might be easily offended, please speak with Pastor so that we may consider whether you are comfortable returning to in-person worship.***

INSTRUCTION FOR HOLY WEEK

MAUNDY THURSDAY

On this day the Church gathers to share in the Holy Supper Christ gave His Church to reveal His unfailing love for the human family. In the actions of this Liturgy, Christ demonstrates this love by speaking His faithful Word, washing our feet, and giving us His Body and Blood. From this gathering we are sent to serve those in need, to offer mercy, and to feed the hungry.

Maundy Thursday is the first of the Holy Triduum (The Three Days). "Maundy" is from the Latin word for "mandate." Jesus gave us the mandate to love one another as He has loved us. This Liturgy continues with Good Friday and the Resurrection of Our Lord. Together, The Holy Triduum proclaims the mystery of our faith: "Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again."

Instruction: *On Maundy Thursday, following the Liturgy and moving into Good Friday, we strip the altar and leave all things bare to remind us of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus and his betrayal and arrest.*

*During this time, we will hear the reading of Psalm 22 and meditate on the Word. Following the stripping of the altar is **SILENCE**. All may remain as long as you wish for silent prayer. On Maundy Thursday, **WE DEPART IN SILENCE AND DO NOT SPEAK** with each other until we are outside the building. We return on Good Friday, as we remember the Son of Man is glorified on the throne of the Holy Cross.*

GOOD FRIDAY

On this day the Church gathers to hear the proclamation of the Passion, to pray for the life of the world, and to meditate on the life-giving cross. The ancient title for this day—THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS—reminds us that the Church gathers to offer thanksgiving for the wood of the tree on which hung the salvation of the whole world. The Church venerates the rough hewn cross on this second of the Three Days, contemplating the mystery of our salvation.

Instruction: *On Good Friday, we leave our offerings in the plates by the doors as there will not be a time during the Liturgy when the offering is collected. We also remember the solemnity of this day as **WE GATHER AND DEPART IN SILENCE.** During the Liturgy, we will venerate the Holy Cross. This means that we come forward in the manner similar to the reception of our Lord's Body and Blood to pray before the Holy Cross. Afterwards, we return to our seats and sing the hymns.*

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

This Liturgy's Easter Proclamation announces, "This is the night in which all who believe in Christ are resurrected from evil and the gloom of sin, are renewed by grace, and are restored to holiness." It is the very foundation of our Christian faith, and it is what makes it the crowning moment of the Church's year. On this night the Church celebrates the presence of the risen Lord as He brings us to new life in Holy Baptism, gives us His Body and Blood, speaks His Word of promise, and comes to us in the Christian community.

Instruction: *At the Great Vigil, we begin our service **OUTSIDE**, in front of the church. There, we light the great fire of the Easter Vigil, celebrating the light that illumined brightly, burst open the tomb, and shone from our Risen Savior. From there, we process inside and continue the wonderful celebration. If you would like, **PLEASE BRING BELLS** to ring in celebration of our Lord's resurrection.*