

SAINT BARNABAS CHURCH
GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT



PALM SUNDAY • 10:00AM
THE HOLY EUCHARIST
MARCH 29, 2026

INVITATION TO PALM SUNDAY

We are an Episcopal church seeking friendship with God and one another in Jesus Christ. We are delighted you're here.

We worship using the Book of Common Prayer. The prayer book contains modern versions of services that go back to the early church and were given new life by the Reformation in England. We make our own the prayers of followers of Jesus across time and around the world. The page numbers marked **BCP** are found in the red book, the prayer book. The **Hymns** are found in the blue book, our church's hymnal.

Our worship on Palm Sunday mimics the whiplash of Jesus' last days: one moment he is celebrated, and the next, he is crucified. There are three parts to the liturgy. First, we recall Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem through the festive Liturgy of the Palms and procession.

Then, we enter the drama of Jesus' death and passion through the reading of Scripture, brought to life by our readers and opened up to us through the sermon. Finally, we receive the saving grace of Jesus' death and resurrection, as we do every Sunday, by receiving the sacrament.

We pray that wherever you are on your spiritual journey, God will give you new hope and strength for your life through our common prayer.

The Liturgy of the Palms

The people turn to face the Officiant for the Liturgy of the Palms.

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

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

The Celebrant then continues

Officiant 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.**

Reading 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 Officiant then says the following blessing

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.**

Palm Sunday Antiphon

Ingrediente Domino

George Malcolm

1917-1997

Ingrediente Domino
in Sanctam civitatem,
Hebraeorum pueri
resurrectionem vitae pronuntiantes,
cum ramis palmarum:
Hosanna, clamabant, in excelsis.

*As the Lord was entering
into the holy city,
the children of the Hebrews
foretold the resurrection of life.
With branches of palm trees,
they cried out, Hosanna in the highest.*

Cumque audisset populus,
quod Iesus veniret Ierosolyam,
exierunt obviam ei.
cum ramis palmarum:
Hosanna, clamabant, in excelsis.

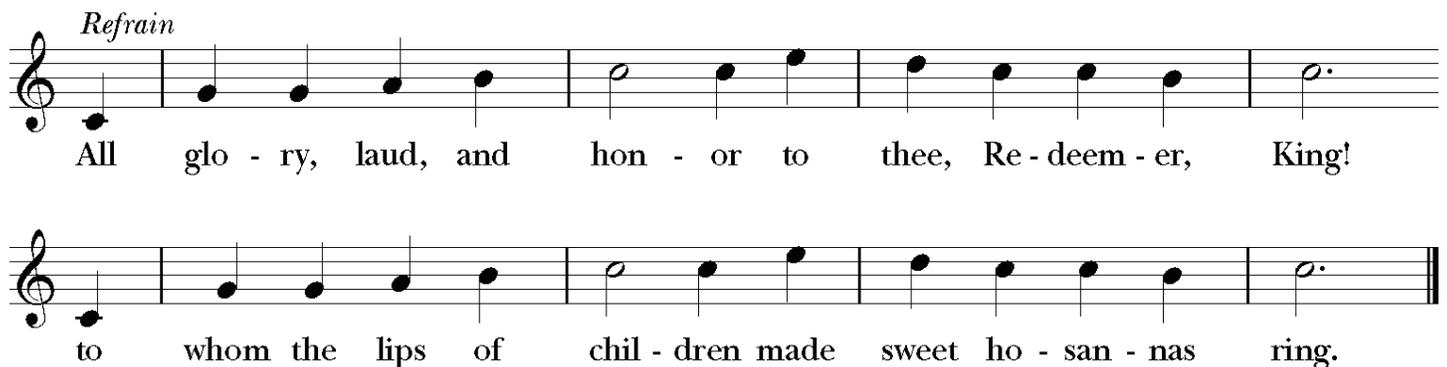
*When the people had heard
that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,
they went forth to meet him.
With branches of palm trees,
they cried out, Hosanna in the highest.*

Officiant Let us go forth in peace.

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

The ministers and choir process, all holding palm branches as we sing the following hymn.

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.

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.**

Please be seated.

Reading Isaiah 50: 4-9a

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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?

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as you are able.

Hymn 171

Go to dark Gethsemane

Petra

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Passion Gospel Matthew 27: 11-54

Please be seated for the reading of the Passion Gospel. All stand as you are able at the verse which announces the arrival at Golgotha, or “the Place of a Skull.”

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Justin E. Crisp

All stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Please remain standing as you are able.

The Prayers of the People

BCP 387

For the whole church throughout the world, for all bishops, clergy, lay ministers, and all the baptized, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace among nations, for leaders and all in authority in our communities and country, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation and our families as we walk the way of the cross this Holy Week, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the weary and sick, and for those in any need or trouble, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have departed this life, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The Officiant adds this concluding Collect.

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, through the merits and mediation of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

The Holy Communion

Hymn 458, vv. 1 & 2

My song is love unknown

Love Unknown

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A

BCP 361

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Music at Communion

Hosanna to the son of David

Daniel Moe

1926-2012

Hosanna to the son of David.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

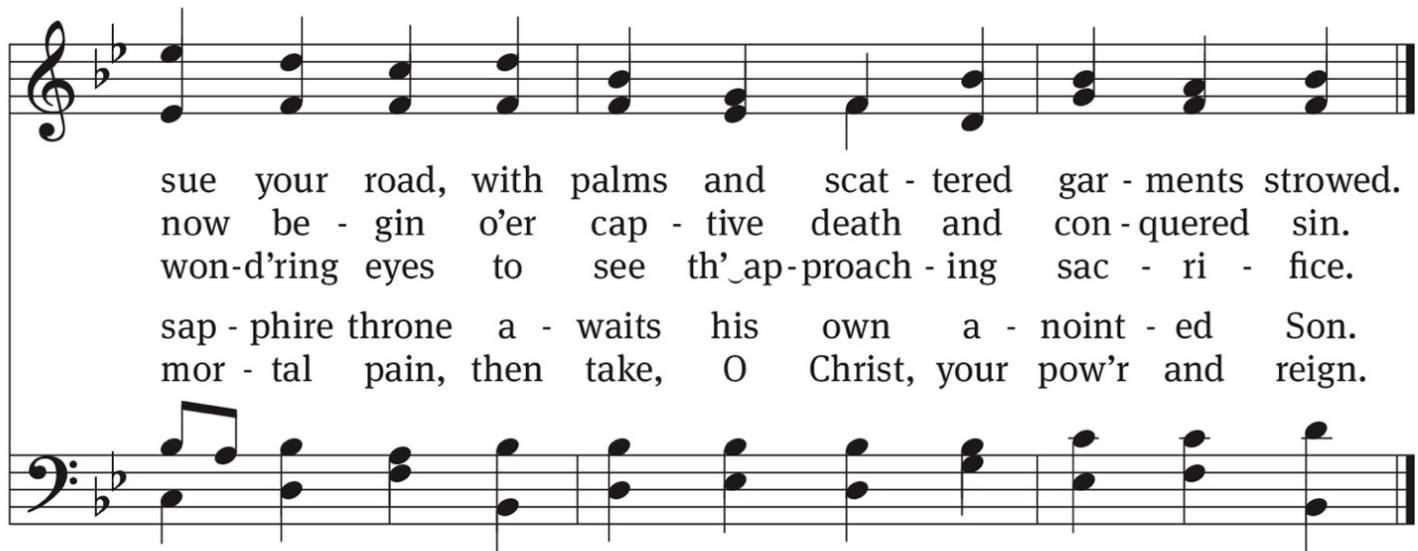
The Blessing

Hymn

Ride on, ride on in majesty

1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Your last and
 5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs
 ar - mies of the sky look down with sad and
 fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his
 pomp ride on to die. Bow your meek head to



sue your road, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won-d'ring eyes to see th'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.
 mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign.

Dismissal

Postlude

Grand March from Aïda

Giuseppe Verdi

Please join us after the service for Coffee Hour in the parish hall.

Please Remember These People in Your Prayers

Betty, Blake, Chase, Elizabeth, Emily, Emily S., Debra, Diane, Dominic, Hallie, Heather, Henry, Janet, Joan, John, Judy, Lila, Liz, Mariana, Marie, Nicole, Nina, Paulette, Sable, Sue Ann, and Trey

Those in the Armed Forces: Crawford, Henry, Logan, Parker, Peter, Mary Rose, and Morgan.



Give the Gift of Easter Flowers & Music

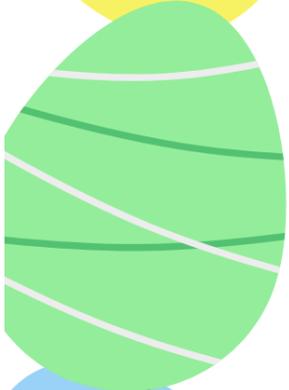
Each year, our music ministry and altar guild go *all out* for Easter, adorning our church with great beauty. The church will be full of vibrant flowers and our music led by an augmented choir and brass quintet, all to enhance the joy of our celebration of Jesus' resurrection. **We invite you to consider making a special gift toward our Easter celebration in memory or honor of a loved one. All gifts will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin and are due to the office by the end of the day tomorrow, Monday, March 30.**

This is a prayerful exercise, and no gift is too small or too large. **You may mail your gift to the church and note whom or what you intend to honor, or you may give online and e-mail your note to Alessandra at aarango@stbarnabas.org.** Please call Alessandra in the office at (203) 661-5526 if you have any questions.

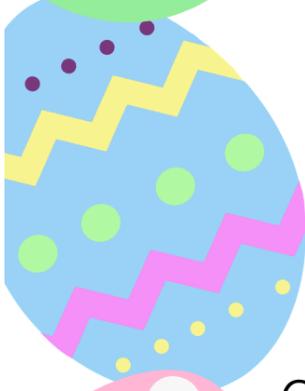




Help us make this
Egg-stravaganza
Easter Egg Hunt
a cracking success!



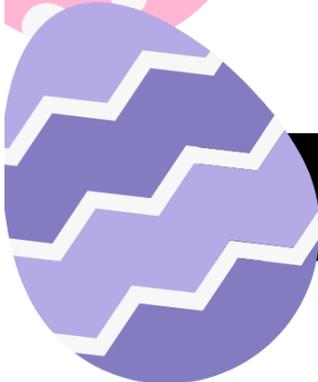
Candy & Eggs
NEEDED



Please donate unfilled
plastic eggs and bags of
nut-free candy.

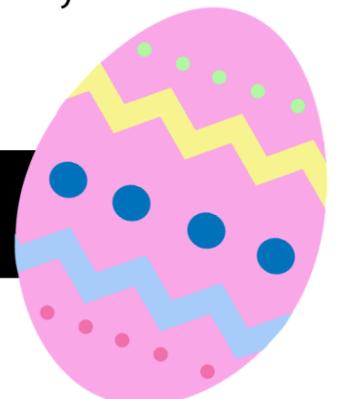


Our team of Easter bunnies
will stuff them.



Please drop off your
donations in the basket by
the atrium.

**NO LATER THAN
MONDAY, MARCH 30**



There's Always Something for Children & Youth at St. Barnabas

Childcare up to age 3 is always available with our nursery team. 

Children's Church is our Sunday School program for children **Pre-K to 3rd grade** and is led by Dr. Jewelle and our Family Ministry team. Kids meet before the 10AM service in the children's chapel across from the parish hall and rejoin their parents and the congregation at the Peace before Communion.

YC (a.k.a. Youth Church) is for youth **4th-8th grade** and is led by Rev. Phoebe during the 10AM service. Youth 9th grade and up can volunteer to serve alongside Rev. Phoebe. YC is a religious formation program and youth group.

Ask the ushers for Val's Activity Sheet or, for older ones, Sadie's Challenges. 

Small Groups

Father Justin's Bible Study, Biweekly. Our next meeting at Coffee for Good will be **Thursday, April 9 at 8AM**. This group, open to all, follows the podcast.

Rev. Phoebe's Book Group. Next group will meet **April 19 at 11:15AM**. (Childcare provided in the nursery). We will discuss *Walking the Way of Love* edited by Courtney Cowart.

The 9AM Sunday Seminar On Break for Holy Week & Easter

Father Justin and Susan Jackson's 9AM Sunday Seminar is on break this Sunday, March 29, and next Sunday, April 5. We will resume after Easter to conclude our study of George Frideric Handel's brilliant and beautiful retelling of Biblical salvation history, Messiah.



Maundy Thursday, April 2

7:30PM - Choral Eucharist

Good Friday, April 3

12:00PM - Said Service

7:30PM - Choral Service

Easter Vigil, April 4

7:30PM - Choral Eucharist

Easter Day, April 5

9:00AM - Choral Eucharist with Brass

Children's & Youth Church

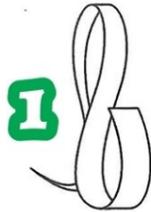
10:00AM - Easter Egg Hunt

11:00AM - Choral Eucharist with Brass



Palm Crosses

Follow the instructions below to create your own palm cross!



1 Holding a palm strip with the curled edge toward you, fold up the widest end in a loop about 2" long.



2 Then fold the top piece downward until it covers the top of the previous fold and forms a loop about 2". Place a staple at the intersection.



3 Bend the thin end of the palm to the right, creasing on a diagonal line.



4 Fold the palm behind the cross, forming a loop about 1 1/2" on the left. Secure in the center with another staple.



5 Continue the fold toward the front of the cross forming a loop 1 1/2" on the left. Secure it with another staple.



6 Wrap the remainder of the palm over the top-right angle of the cross, bringing it straight across the back and over the top-left angle to the front. Cross it diagonally to the bottom-right corner . . .



7 . . . straight across the back and bring it to the front from the bottom-left corner. Bring it from the bottom-left corner to the top-right corner and to the back again.



8 Weave the small remaining piece in the back under loops and tie it off. If needed, you can use another staple or a drop of glue.



9 Add dried flowers or a tiny bow.



For Better, For Verse

Justin Crisp and Jewelle Bickel explore the depths of Deuteronomy and Joshua, examining biblical history, theology, and moral questions surrounding divine revelation, the conquest of Canaan, and how

justly to organize a whole civilization. Together they try to discern what the divine author, the Holy Spirit, is telling us through the conflicting, confusing (and maybe even confused!) testimonies of the human authors of these Biblical books. This episode offers a nuanced look at Scripture, the idea of divine retribution and punishment, social justice in ancient Israel, and what God thinks of war, violence, and human struggle.

Ready or not, they're embarking on their spiritual New Year's resolution: **to read through the whole Bible in one year and podcast their way through!**

You can join in their read-through by following the Reading Plan published by The Bible Project. There are two ways you can join in:

1. **Read your own Bible.** *Pick up a hardcopy of the Reading Plan, or download the PDF, and follow along day-to-day with your favorite hardcopy or digital Bible. Fr. Justin & Dr. Jewelle recommend the New Revised Standard Version, English Standard Version, or New International Version.*
2. **Follow the Guide on Your Phone or Computer.** *You can follow along with the Reading Guide and track your progress using the Bible App for iOS or Android, or by visiting www.bible.com on desktop, and subscribing to the Reading Plan.*



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Leaders in Worship This Morning

Officiant & Preacher	The Reverend Dr. Justin E. Crisp
Celebrant	The Reverend Phoebe Oler
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Eucharistic Ministers	Susan Jackson Caroline Hoffman
Director of Music	Marnus Greyling
The St. Barnabas Choir	Christi Bye Barbara Zay Sarah Bleasdale Megan Friar Kevin Ray Matthew Zay Alan Rasmussen John Rose
Crucifer	Gareth Bye
Acolytes	JT Sanderson Eliza Thorp
Reader	Roger Bullard
Intercessor	Mary Ellen LeBien
Ushers	David Harris Bruce Morrison
Coffee Hour Host	St. Barnabas Choir

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We would love to get to know you, and to support you in your spiritual life. You can use this QR code to share your information with us, sign up for our e-news, or request a call from a priest or member of the staff. If you prefer pen-and-paper, you may fill out a pew card.



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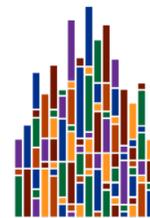
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