

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION PALM SUNDAY

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER APRIL 2, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Today's liturgy will begin outdoors in the garden on Dorchester Avenue, immediately north of the sanctuary doors.



A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.

Scan the code or visit sprchicago.org/new to complete a Let's Get Connected form.

Children & Youth at SPR

KidZone (Nursery), 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Professionally staffed nursery care is available for children ages 0–4 in our KidZone, located down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the KidZone.

Children's Chapel, Sundays during sermon

During the sermon at the 10:00 service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Children's & Youth Formation, Sundays after church

We welcome all ages to join our formation (Christian education) gatherings, downstairs from 11:05 to 11:50 AM:

- Godly Play: Preschool to grade 2
- Junior Youth Group: Grades 3 to 5
- Youth Group: Grades 6 to 12
- Adult Formation: Teens and adults
 High-school youth are welcome to attend either youth group or adult formation.

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community. You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!

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Holy Week & Easter Worship at St. Paul & the Redeemer

Maundy Thursday, April 6

5:30 PM: Family Dinner Worship 7:30 PM: Choral Dinner Worship

Good Friday, April 7

11:00 AM: Stations of the Cross

12:00 PM: Choral Eucharist with Cantors

4:00 PM: Children's Good Friday Service

7:30 PM: Choral Eucharist

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil), April 8

9:00 PM: Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday, April 9

8:00 AM: Spoken Eucharist

10:00 AM: Choral Eucharist with Brass

11:15 AM: Easter Egg Hunt & Potluck



THE BLESSING 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.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All raise their palm branches for the blessing.

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.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ, Amen!

THE TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION

All are invited, as able, to join the great procession around the block: North on Dorchester to 49th, east on 49th to Blackstone, and south on Blackstone back to the church. Wave your palms!

As we return, you can enter the church using any of the doors – you don't need to follow all the way back to the main doors. Once you're inside the church, please find a seat but remain standing for the hymn.

(In case of rain, the choir & liturgical leaders will process around the church.)

Processional

A medley of bagpipe tunes, ending with "Highland Cathedral" Robert Cranston, highland bagpipes

Music: Uri Roever & Michael Korb, 1982; organ accompaniment by Judson Maynard (1930-2013)

THE WORD OF GOD

Please remain standing, as able, and sing



The Hymnal 1982 #154 "All glory, laud, and honor"

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: Valet will ich dir geben, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Collect of the Day

God 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 for our redemption, giving us an 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 Lessons

Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) Reading

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

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?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able and sing.



"Bless the Lord, my soul." Words & Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994). © 1982, 1983, 1984 Les Presses et Ateliers de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc.

Gospel Reading

At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and your heart.

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Matthew 21:1-11

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to attend their own liturgy in the chapel, led by children's ministry staff Megan Cather and Lindsey Strieter. Participants under age 3 are encouraged to bring a parent. The children will return to the main service at the peace.

Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy, Rector

Prayers of the People

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.

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.

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.

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.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for the birthdays of **William** Hannan (4/4), **Thomas** Wackerly (4/4), **Rock** Sehr, Jr. (4/5), **Sara** Bigger (4/7), and **Robin** Charleston (4/8); and for the anniversary of **Rahsaan & Alyce** Morris (4/8). 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 especially for **Shirley** Knight, **Benjamin** Scott (son of Celia Scott), **Pamela** Anderson, **Ann** Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), and all those on our prayer list. 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 pray especially for **Greg** Papesh (longtime food pantry volunteer) and **John** Clark, Sr. (parishoner, 4/4).

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer List: Shirley Knight, Benjamin Scott (son of Celia Scott), Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), and William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), as well as their caregivers.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will.
Amen.

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

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

You are invited to greet those around you with the words "Peace be with you," accompanied by a wave, peace sign, or handshake. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the Choristers and Choir.

Hosanna filio David: Hosanna to the son of David:

benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Rex Israel: Hosanna in excelsis. O King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.

Words: Antiphon for Palm Sunday.

Music: Antiphon plainsong, Mode VII, adapt. Richard Proulx, adapt. M. Bilyeu. Anthem: Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611).

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you and glorify your Name as we sing,

All sing.





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We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Book of Common Prayer, 1979. Eucharistic Prayer D.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

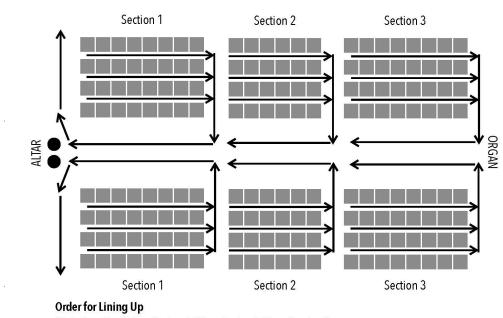


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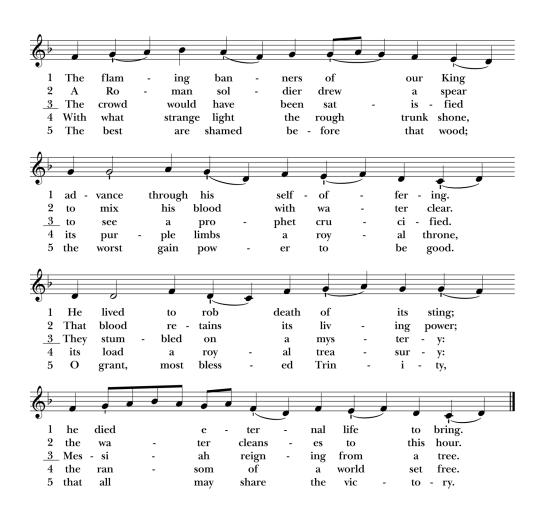
The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

How to Line Up for Communion



Choir Goes First | Then Section 1 | Then Section 2 | Then Section 3

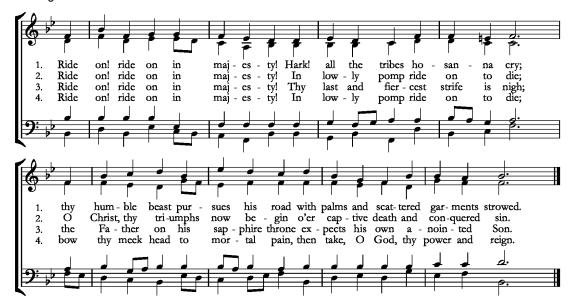


The Hymnal 1982 #161 "The flaming banners of our King"

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. John Webster Grant (b. 1919).

Music: Vexilla Regis prodeunt, plainsong, Mode 1, Rome MS., 12th cent.; ver. Schola Antiqua, 1983; acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

All sing.



The Hymnal 1982 #156 "Ride on! ride on in majesty!"

Words: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868).

Music: Winchester New, adapt. from Musikalisches Handbuch, Hamburg, 1690.





LEVAS II #97 "Ride on, King Jesus"

Words and Music: Traditional Negro Spiritual, arr. Hezekiah Brinson, Jr. (b. 1958).

Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand as able.

Let us pray.

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

All are seated for the Passion.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

The People sing the crowd parts where indicated.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?" At that

hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days." The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you,

From now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying, "Prophesy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

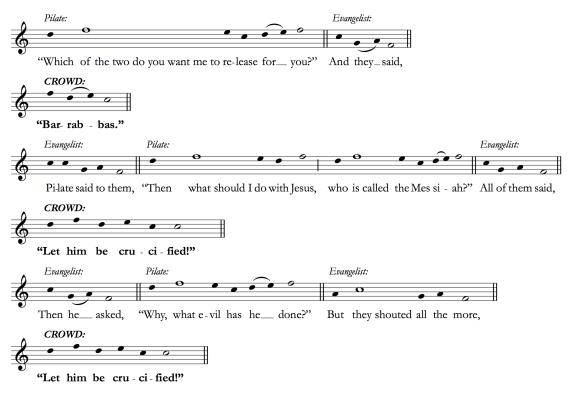
Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about." When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

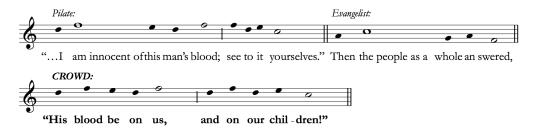
When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money." After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,



So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,

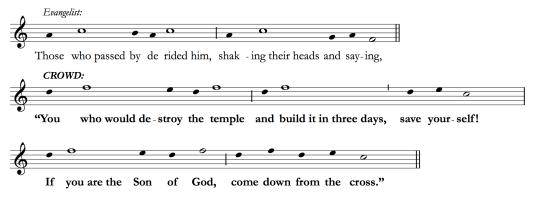


So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

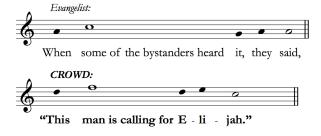
As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.

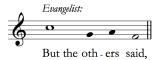


In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"



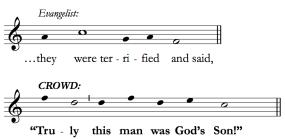
At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.





Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.

Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place,



Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first." Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

Savannah Hegyi, evangelist lan Murrell, Jesus Vance Lauderdale, singer Ariana Strahl, singer Dennis Kalup, singer Matthew 26:14-27:66
Music: plainsong, setting by Ormonde Plater (1933-2016)

The people leave in silence.



News & Events

Holy Week & Easter at SPR

Turn to the opening page of this bulletin for a full schedule of Holy Week and Easter worship at SPR. Bring friends and family as we remember the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Maundy Thursday Dinner Service

On **Thursday, April 6, at 5:30 & 7:30 PM**, we will share a meal during worship. RSVP in the narthex (foyer) or at sprchicago.org/holy-week. Responses by TODAY are greatly appreciated!

Easter Sunday Potluck Brunch

On **Sunday, April 9, at 11:15 AM**, we will share a potluck brunch in the parish hall. RSVP in the narthex (foyer) or at sprchicago.org/holy-week. Responses by TODAY are greatly appreciated!

Spring Art Show: Visual Epiphanies

The arts committee's newest show, *Visual Epiphanies*, is on exhibit in the chapel and the parish hall. Please stop in to view and enjoy.

Table Fellowship Gatherings

Table fellowship "supper clubs" are a way for parishioners to get to know each other over a meal. SPR ran these years ago, and we are happy to bring them back! Each small group meets monthly, at parishioners' homes or at a restaurant. (Babes in arms are welcome.) If you would like to participate in a table fellowship group which will run from April to August, contact Sara Bigger (sarafaganbigger@gmail.com) by Tuesday, April 11.

Syrian Refugee Family Visits

We are seeking visitors to our partner family through the Syrian Community Network on: **Sundays, April 16, 23 and 30.** To learn more, contact Robert Bator: rbator@gmail.com.

About This Week's Music

We welcome **bagpiper Robert Cranston** back to our worship at SPR to lead us in our annual procession through the neighborhood.

This week's offertory **anthem** is by the dominating figure of sixteenth century Spanish music: Tomas Luis de Victoria. Born in Avila, he was sent to Rome to study (possibly for a time under Palestrina) during the latter's years at the Roman Seminary. In 1571 he succeeded Palestrina there as choirmaster. Later, Victoria became active as a priest, working at St. Girolamo della Carita. Following his return to Spain in 1585, he served the Empress Maria and her daughter as teacher, organist, and choirmaster until his death in 1611. "Hosanna filio David" is one of Victorias 50+ motets, and this arrangement opens with a chant antiphon, sung by the Choristers, and arranged by former SPR parishioner Richard Proulx.





Serving Today

April 2, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leaders: Mark Bilyeu, Megan Cather

Lectors: John Mulholland Prayer Reader: Tom Irving Acolyte: Andrew Rostan

Chalice Ministers: Maureen Jesuthasan, Becky Kruse,

Jonathan Foiles, John Adewoye Ushers: Stefi Baiju, Baiju Markose Vestry Greeter: Anne Harlan

Communion Bread Baker: Alicia Chipman

Livestream: Simon Lane

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, Rector

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, Associate Rector

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon* Mark Bilyeu, *Director of Music*

Megan Cather, Children's Music Assistant

Lindsey Strieter, Director of Children's Formation

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton* Savannah Hegyi, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, Staff Singers

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,

Nursery Teachers

Vestry

Twila Jones, Warden

Baiju Markose, *Clerk* Ta

Nicholas Bellomy Jason Evans Anne Harlan Rebecca Luttrell

Celia Paris

Frances Spaltro, Warden Tayo Adegoke, Treasurer

Joshua Daniel Jonathan Foiles Vicky Legge Andrew Rostan

Partners in Ministry

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago

We partner with the Red Cross to provide emergency shelter for those displaced by disasters.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, led by our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paula Clark.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Shoesmith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.

