



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



God thinks you are fabulous,
and so do we.

Palm/Passion Sunday + March 24, 2024

Holy Eucharist, Rite 1

Straight and gay, rich and poor, and every color and age, St John's is a place of Radical Kindness, warm and open Christ-Followers who celebrate God's grace and love and cherish one another. We are proud and grateful to serve as a "neighborhood church" for the tri-cities: College Park, East Point and Hapeville. Everyone needs a place to be cherished. We invite you to make St John's yours!

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Welcome to St. John's. All service music, hymns, and prayers can be found in either of our two hymnals and our Book of Common Prayer. If you get lost, no worries. It is all prayer! There are also members seated nearby who can help you. **Please fill out a visitor card** so we can get to know you and invite you into life together at St. John's. We want to be known as a place that practices the radical kindness and hospitality of Jesus and where it is apparent that "God thinks you are fabulous - and so do we." Let us know if you are interested in membership or baptism, and we will be in touch about the next steps. **Please say hello, and come have some coffee after church** in the Hospitality Suite after church. Take a look at our announcements insert for ongoing activities and please come and join us in our journey to be Christ-followers. Children are always welcome. We even have a "kids spot" in the lobby with books, coloring pages and stuffed animals. The noise does not bother anyone. If you feel uncomfortable, you are welcome to sit with your child in the Kids Spot or can find comfy seats in the hospitality suite. Restrooms are through either of the doors at the front of the Church. Either go down the hall (on the right) or across the hall (on the left) to the Hospitality Suite.

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS - *The service begins outside at the cross.*

OPENING ANTHEM (BCP 270)

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:1-11

BLESSING OF THE PALMS (BCP 271)

THE PROCESSION (BCP p. 271)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *All glory, laud, and Honor* Hymnal 154

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
 3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
 5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
 2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
 3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 272)

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The people sit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11 *The people sit.*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

THE PASSION GOSPEL: Mark 39: 1-47 Archie Polk, Cairal Nabeel, Grace Lunsford

All congregational lines are in red and in a slightly larger type in the booklet. Please join in as you are able.

The reading will be followed by a time of silence.

The Prayers of the People (BCP 329) - All remain standing, as able

Confession and Absolution (BCP 330)

The Peace (BCP p. 332)

Announcements & Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence (BCP p. 376)

Offertory Hymn - *Ride on King Jesus*-(LEVAS 97)

Sursum Corda- *The People remain standing.*

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People
It is meet and right so to do.

PROPER PREFACE BCP 346

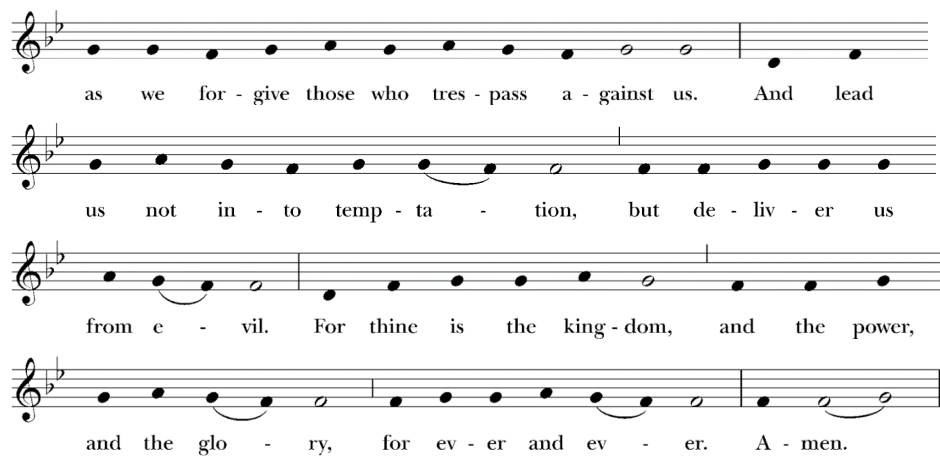
THE SANCTUS S- 124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

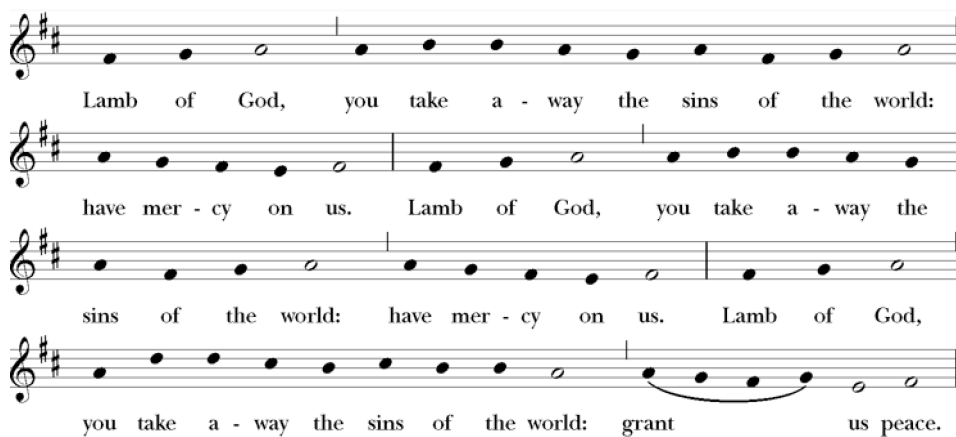
The Lord's Prayer S 119 -The Lord's Prayer (Traditional) (Plainsong/Douglas)

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,



as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread The Fraction



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access (BCP 337)

The Inviation (BCP 338)

Distribution We share communion in both kinds, which are available by intinction (dipping the host in wine) or drinking from the common cup. Hold out one hand for bread only, two for bread and wine, or put your hands in a prayer position for a blessing. After receiving them for healing prayers, remain at the rail, and we will pray for you. If you cannot come to the rail, a Eucharistic Minister will bring you communion.

Communion Hymn O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded- (Hymnal 168)

Post Communion Prayer (BCP p. 339)

Closing Song - Were You There? DISMISSAL (BCP 340)

Lisa Norton-Rotella, Soloist

The service will end with no exiting processional or hymn.

We ask that all depart in silence to mark the solemnity of Holy Week.