

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II — 10:15 A.M.
SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome to St. John's! We are glad you have joined us today. Everything you need is in this leaflet or the blue Hymnal 1982 found in the pew. We invite you to prepare for worship in silent prayer during the prelude, and we encourage you to participate throughout this liturgy in singing the hymns and service music and saying the portions in bold type. Prompts are provided for you to stand, sit, or kneel where appropriate and as you are able.

Prelude *Jesu, meine Freude*, Partitas I–VIII J. G. Walther (1684–1748)

Welcome and Announcements, *seated*

All rise at the sound of the bell and during the silent procession.

A Penitential Order

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Hear the commandments of God to the people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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.**

The musical score is presented in three systems. Each system includes a Cantor part on the left and a Choir & Congregation part on the right. The Cantor parts are written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time, with lyrics: "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." for the first and third systems, and "Chri - ste e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son." for the second system. The Choir & Congregation parts are written in G major and 4/4 time, with lyrics: "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." for the first and third systems, and "Chri - ste e - lei - son." for the second system. The setting is identified as Plainsong, Tone 8; fauxbourdon Janet Hall (b. 1923), with a copyright notice for 1980, The Church Pension Fund.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

You may be seated.

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 130 *De profundis*

Plainsong

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
 Lord, hear my voice; *
 let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
 O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
 therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
 in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord,
 more than watchmen for the morning, *
 more than watchmen for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
 for with the Lord there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
 and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

The Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn 567

"Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old"

St. Matthew

The Gospel: John 9:1-41

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Elaine Ellis Thomas

Silence for reflection.

The Nicene Creed, *standing as able*

**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.
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.

Prayers of the People

Jesus walked the lonesome valley on the road to the cross. May we who follow in his footsteps remain faithful as we journey with him through this season of Lent.

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

For peace in the world and for the leaders of all nations; for our own country, this state, and the people of Essex, we pray.

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

For the Church and all her leaders, that we may sow unity where there is division, seek justice where there is wrong, and work to heal where there is pain, we pray.

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

For the particular needs of this congregation, for those seeking to discern God's will for their lives, and for guidance and wisdom as we live into God's call to us.

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

For the sick and the lonely, the addicted and the mentally ill, and for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we pray, especially for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name silently or aloud (*silence*).

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

For all who have died without knowledge of God's saving love and those who have died in the certain hope of the resurrection we pray, especially for those we name silently or aloud (*silence*).

He accepted the way of the cross

That we might know the way of salvation.

Sanctus*New plainsong*

David Hurd

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.

The people may remain standing or you may kneel or sit as is your preference.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker and of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

The Lord's Prayer, said by all

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei *New plainsong*

David Hurd

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 Invitation to Communion

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome at God's table no matter where you are in your walk with Christ. If you need gluten-free bread, simply ask the priest. If you prefer to receive a blessing, indicate that by crossing your hands over your chest when you come to the altar rail. The first chalice following the bread is for you to drink the wine. The second is if you choose to dip (or intinct) the wafer in the wine. If you are unable to come forward for any reason, ask an usher or someone nearby to request that communion be brought to you.

- Hymn 466** "Eternal light, shine in my heart" *Jacob*
Hymn 715 "When Jesus wept, the falling tear" *When Jesus wept*

Prayer after Communion, *standing*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 610 “Lord, whose love through humble service” *Blaenhafren*

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Jesu, meine Freude, Partita IX* J. G. Walther (1684–1748)

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St. John's Prayer List

Holding each other's joys, sorrows, and concerns before God in prayer is a spiritual practice that characterizes our life together at St. John's. In our worship services, we pray each other's prayers together. Outside of our time together many parishioners make it part of their daily lives to pray the prayers of the parish community. You are invited to participate in your own way.

Thanks be to God

for the arrival of spring;
for healthcare professionals and all who work in medical research and teaching;
for this season of penitence and fasting;
for those discerning a call to serve this community more deeply;
for all the blessings of our lives, and for the faith, fellowship, and ministries of this parish;

Your prayers are requested

for an end to the war in Iran;
for a path to sustained peace in Israel, Palestine, Russia, and Ukraine;
for an end to political and hate-fueled violence in our public spaces;
for the elected leaders of the United States that they will govern with wisdom, compassion, and concern for the poor and outcast;
for lasting peace to come to areas of violence in our world, especially Sudan, Nigeria, and Congo;
for an end to gun violence in this country and the courage for each of us to work toward that;
for all LGBTQI+ people who face bias and violence each and every day;
for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble, including Eileen Aiken, Ed Birch, Reginald Brulotte, Jinny Buracchi, Connie Cliffe, JoAnne Connor, Bea Comstock, Tony Custodio, Evan Dorrington, Evelyn, Michael Furgueson, Sherley Furgueson, Nancy Gould, Robert Henry, Ethel, Julia, and Jim Gribbins, Hazel, Erin Kraten, Marguerite Quigley, Dorothy Rider, Leona Savoie, Dione Solan, Gary Young, Sissy Stinson, Charlie Alford, Jean Shaw, Tim Thomas, Leigh Dorrington;

Please note that any names on the prayer list will remain for a period of one month. At the end of each calendar month, the list will be cleared. If you would like to continue to have a name on the list, please contact the office after the first of the month.

for the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, including St. Andrew's, Kent; Emmanuel, Killingworth; and Trinity, Lime Rock;
for the Anglican Communion, including The Anglican Church of Korea.

We commend to God's never-failing care

those who have died, remembering especially the civilians and military personnel who have died this week in Iran: Maj. John A. Klinner, 33, Capt. Ariana G. Savino, 31, Tech. Sgt. Ashley B. Pruitt, 34, Capt. Seth R. Koval, 38, Capt. Curtis J. Angst, 30, Tech. Sgt. Tyler H. Simmons, 28; the dead in the ongoing violence in Sudan, Congo, Ukraine, Russia, Israel, and Gaza; in gun violence around this country; those who are dying in climate-related disasters; immigrants who have died seeking a better life; and for U.S. civilians and service personnel who have died in the line of duty;

and all whom we love but see no more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forum Today at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall ~ Bill's Blessings and The Shoreline Soup Kitchen

Join us this morning as Mary Bowers shares stories of how your generosity impacts the Bill's Blessings and the Tuesday evening Soup Kitchen. Learn more about how you can get involved in this important ministry in which everyone benefits from the shared fellowship, hot meals.

Holy Week is coming!

Palm Sunday: Please sign up to provide our traditional Palm Sunday coffee hour treat, hot cross buns!

Maundy Thursday Watch Night: "Then Jesus came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). If you would like to watch and wait as Jesus prays in the garden, sign up for an overnight shift.

Both sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall. Direct questions to Meghan Wrinn in the office.

Bible Studies and Midday Eucharist

Morning Bible study continues on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. with the last of our series on the gospels of Matthew, covering Matthew 26:2-28:20. We will take a two week hiatus, returning on April 14 for the Gospel of Mark, using N.T. Wright's *Mark for Everyone: 20th Anniversary Edition.* Even if you have never attended, drop in any time!

Holy Eucharist is also on Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. in the chancel (choir area) of the church.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study continues this week at 5:30 p.m. using *Psalms Through the Centuries*, by Susan Gillingham as a guide.

Easter Flowers and Music

We invite you to support our Easter flower and music ministries with a gift of any amount in thanksgiving for, or in memory of, one or more loved ones. The names of all who are remembered or honored will be printed in our Easter bulletins, and donations will support both the special music and the flowers that will adorn our church. Please complete the form inserted in today's leaflet before March 26th, or you can stop by the office during regular office hours, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please note that, even if you give to flowers online, *we must have a form* to make sure the names are properly included in the leaflets!

Heartfelt Arts

Heartfelt Arts is a bereavement program that encourages creativity to process feelings of grief and loss. The 90-minute sessions are held on Zoom on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Registration is currently open for the next series beginning March 30 and continuing through April 13. For information, contact Dan Evangelisti at Daniel.TaylorStypa@hhcah.org.

News from Middlesex Habitat for Humanity: Planned construction on new homes, including for veterans, will commence this spring, as will programming for homeowner support and home repair. Middlesex Habitat is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. See this week's e-news for ways you can get involved.

Westbrook Food Pantry Needs

Please continue to bring non-perishable food items for our neighbors at the Westbrook Food Pantry. Donations are collected each Sunday after morning services.

This week's collection is for **canned tuna**.

Next week's collection is for **Ziplock bags (all sizes)**.

Other needed items include:

Food: cereal, soup, peanut butter, tuna, canned fruits/vegetables, pasta, rice, oatmeal.

Non-food: reusable bags, paper goods, gloves, Ziplocs, garbage bags, grocery/gas gift cards.

Bill's Blessings: This week we are collecting **baby shampoo**.
Next week's focus will be on **adult diapers**.



THURSDAYS IN LENT AT ST. JOHN'S

5:30 P.M. - SOUP SUPPER IN THE UNDERCROFT

6:15 P.M. - EVENING PRAYER

WITH SPECIAL MUSIC

FEBRUARY 26: TENOR SPENCER HAMLIN

MARCH 5: BARITONE JERMAINE
 WOODARD SINGS GOSPEL

MARCH 12: CHORAL EVENSONG

MARCH 19: JAZZ WITH PHRED MILESKI &
 SCOTT KONRAD

MARCH 26: PAUL LOETHER SINGS FOLK

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PALM SUNDAY

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MARCH 29, 2026

8:00 A.M.

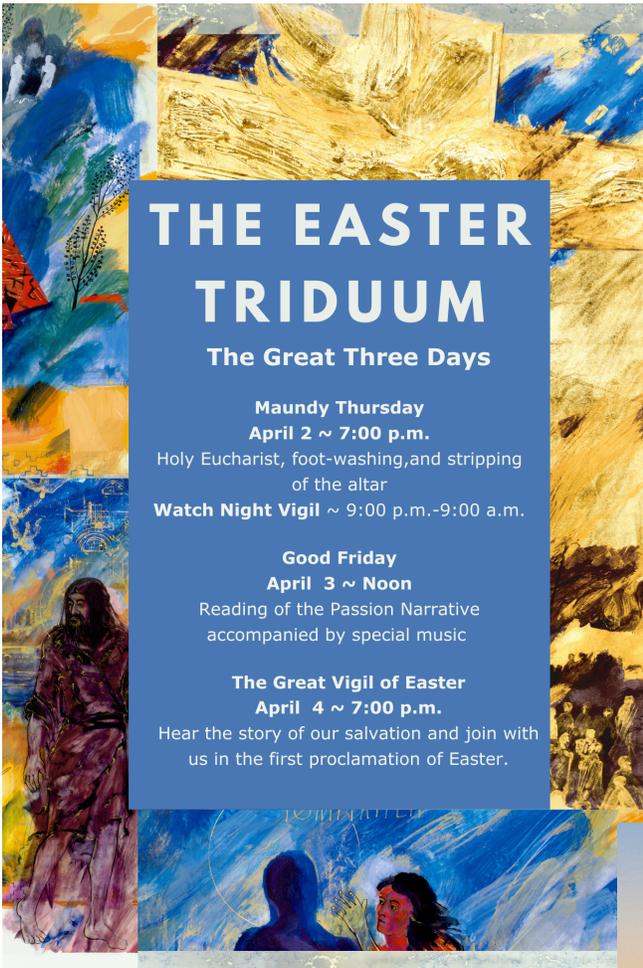
GATHER IN THE CHURCH
FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE SERVICE.

10:00 A.M.

(WEATHER PERMITTING)

MEET IN THE ESSEX TOWN PARK
FOR A PROCESSION OF PALMS
DOWN MAIN STREET
ACCOMPANIED BY BAGPIPES.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO WAIT IN THE
CHURCH FOR THE PROCESSION.



THE EASTER TRIDUUM

The Great Three Days

Mundy Thursday

April 2 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist, foot-washing, and stripping of the altar

Watch Night Vigil ~ 9:00 p.m.-9:00 a.m.

Good Friday

April 3 ~ Noon

Reading of the Passion Narrative accompanied by special music

The Great Vigil of Easter

April 4 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Hear the story of our salvation and join with us in the first proclamation of Easter.



EASTER DAY

Sunday, April 5

Easter Sunrise Service

6:00 a.m.

The Connecticut River Museum (weather permitting)

Enjoy the first Eucharist of Easter as the sun rises over the Connecticut River (please bring your own chairs).

Holy Eucharist for Easter Day

Special Music at both 8:00 & 10:15 a.m.

Easter egg hunt follows the 10:15 a.m. service.

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WORSHIP

SUNDAYS | Holy Eucharist — 8:00 & 10:15 a.m.
TUESDAYS | Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
TUESDAYS | Midweek Holy Eucharist — 11:15 a.m.
WEDNESDAYS | Contemplative Prayer — 5:00 p.m.

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