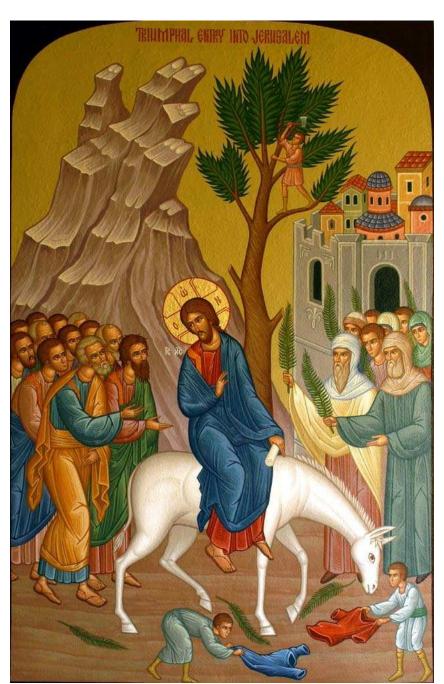
St. Columba's Episcopal Church

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"Triumphal Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem (Sunday of Palms)." Iconographer, Luke Dingman

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday March 24, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

THE WORD OF GOD

Welcome - The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

When all have gathered on the patio, the celebrant says:

- P: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord;
- C: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.
- P: 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.

C: Amen.

Gospel – Mark 11:1-11

- P: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.
- C: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, Lord Christ.





The Blessing over the Palms

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: 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.

C: Amen.

The palm crosses are distributed.



- P: Let us go forth in peace.
- C: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Procession forms with the congregation following the choir and clergy. All say the psalm together:

Psalm 118:19-29

- Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

 I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
 he who is righteous may enter."
- I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation.
- The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- On this day the Lord has acted; *
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! *
 Lord, send us now success.
- Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; * we bless you from the house of the Lord.

- God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
 form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; * you are my God, and I will exalt you."
- Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever.

Hymn – # 154 – "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"



The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

Collect for Palm Sunday

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: 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.

C: Amen.

First Lesson - 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?

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson – 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.

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Mark

(Please refer to the Passion Gospel booklet.)

The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. Where indicated in the booklet, please stand. The congregation is invited to read the part of **The Crowd**.



Brief silence for reflection following the Passion.

Homily - The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Prayers of the People

LEM: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For our Bishops **Justin** (Archbishop of Canterbury), **Michael** (Presiding Bishop), and **John;** for our Clergy, Staff, and Vestry; and for all ministers and people, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For the peace of the world, especially in Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia; that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. For those who serve our country and the world, praying especially for Jesse, Liam, Matthew, Matt, Nathan, Jonah, and Chris, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, praying especially for the Threshold Project, our Children's Learning Center, our Project Hope food ministries, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health. We pray especially for Mary, Ann, Melinda, John, Steve, Linda, Mary, Maggie, Richard, Emily, Lisa, Robyn, and Ivan.

Are there others?

[The people may add their own petitions.]

We pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: For all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

LEM: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Saint Columba, all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

C: To you, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

P: Lord Jesus Christ, you were lifted up on the cross for us and for our salvation; help us to triumph over evil and to do good, to give ourselves to you as you give yourself for us, and to live and work to your praise and glory.

C: Amen.

(Our Prayers are from the Book of Common Prayer, Form V, and by David Adam, Traces of Glory: Prayers for the Church Year.)

The Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

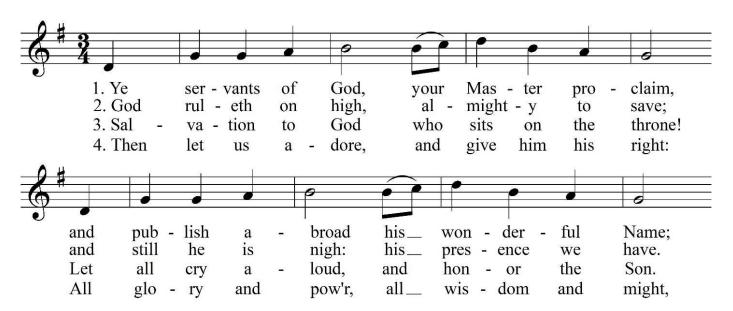
Watch over thy *children*, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

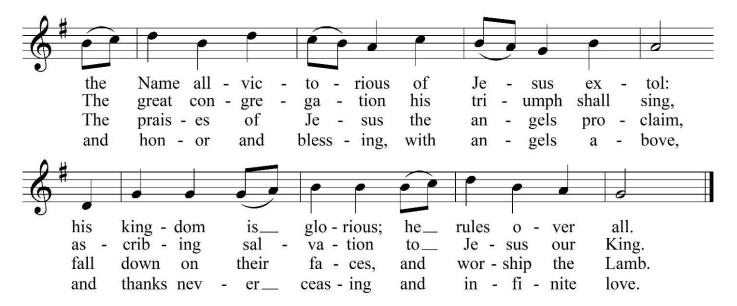
Offertory Anthem – "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (I. Watts)

Please place your Good Friday prayers for the Walk with the Cross in the offering plates.



Presentation Hymn - # 535 - "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"





Words: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

Music: PADERBORN (10 10. 11 11), melody from Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch, 1765;

harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 1875-1947.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer B from Book of Common Prayer, p. 367)

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also 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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[Here a proper preface is sung or said.]

P: Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus



Music: Deustsch Messe, adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

P: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

P: On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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 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."

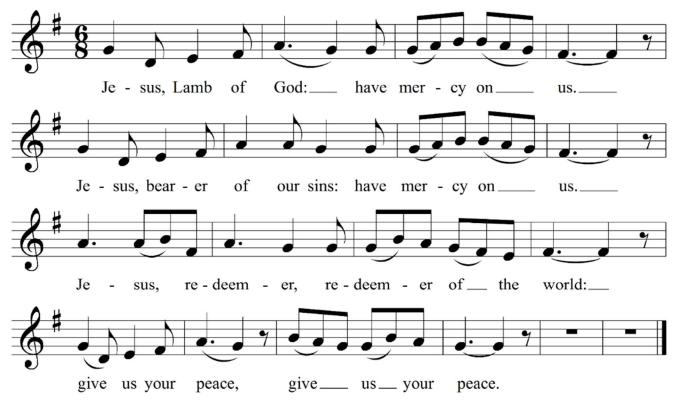
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

- C: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;
- P: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Columba and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
- C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

- P: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
- 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem



from Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1979-1828), arr. Richard Proulx.

The Invitation

P: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Instructions

The ushers will invite you forward for Communion. The Presider will be in the center of the aisle and place the Communion Bread in the palm of your overlapping outstretched hands.

- If you do not want Communion Wine, then return to your pew by the side aisle. The Church has always taught that to receive communion in only one kind is to still receive the full grace of the sacrament.
- For a sip of Communion Wine from the chalice, please go to the LEM and lightly guide the bottom base of the chalice to your lips until you have had a sip. Then return to your pew by the side aisle.
- For the intinction of Communion Wine, please leave the Communion Bread in your hand and the LEM will lightly dip it into the Communion Wine and place it back on your hand for you to consume it. Then return to your pew by the side aisle.
- If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please tell the usher when they get to your pew and they will make sure that Communion is brought to you.
- In an abundance of caution, just before Communion, each Communion Minister will carefully sanitize their hands for your safety.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion (by St. Alphonsus Liguori)

As we distribute Holy Communion to the congregation here, we invite those on the livestream to offer the Prayer of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymn - # 313 - "Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured"



Words: John Brownlie, 1859-1925.

Music: JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT, melody Johann Cruger, 1598-1662;

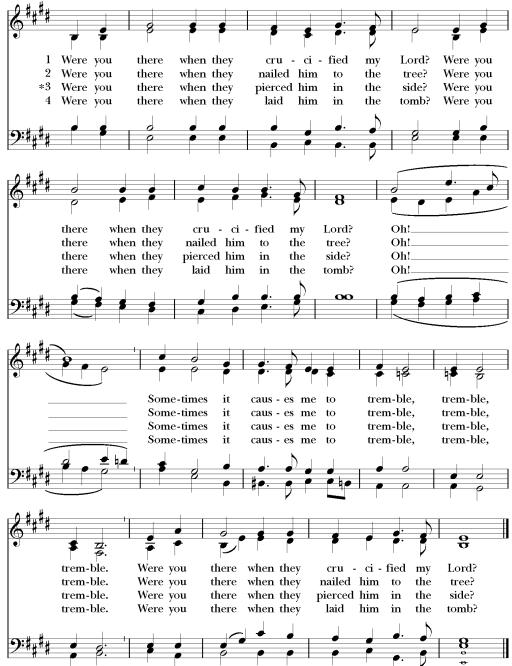
harm. after The Chorale Book for England, 1863.

Post-Communion Prayer

C: 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 your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn - # 172 - "Were You There"



Dismissal

- P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude – "Ave Verum" (W.A. Mozart) – Brett Hanley, organ

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Rector—Our rector is the **Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson.** If you need to reach him during the week, his email address is michael.anderson@stcolumbaca.com.

From Bishop John Harvey Taylor—By tradition, The Episcopal Church offers Holy Communion to all baptized persons. If you are not baptized, but wish to receive, we invite you to participate fully in the opening part of the service, called the Ministry of the Word, hearing God's word and reflecting on your life, enabling you to come to the table for communion, if you so choose, with a heart prepared to receive. We hope that if you feel touched by the word and sacrament and wish to learn more about the life-giving power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, you will contact the pastor to inquire about participating in Holy Baptism.

Coffee Hour—All are welcome to enjoy Coffee Hour in our parish hall and on the patio after worship. Sign up in the parish hall to host Coffee Hour.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), our Sunday School, is at 9:30 a.m. Please text or call Wendie Roberts (310-710-8762) with any questions and/or if you are planning to register your child or teenager for CGS.

Lent Madness—Lent Madness, a look at the saints in a tournament-style manner, meets on Sunday mornings from 10:45–11:30 a.m. in the parish hall, through today, March 24.

Prayers for Good Friday Walk—What is breaking your heart? What suffering in your own life, in the lives of your loved ones and neighbors, or in our world is weighing on you? At the cross, we learn of God's solidarity with us and all who suffer and experience a love that meets us where we are and longs to heal and transform us. On March 29, Good Friday, three churches will carry the heartbreak, grief, and prayers of the community along with a large wooden cross for two miles, starting at Mount Cross Lutheran at 5:00 p.m., pausing at St. Columba's Episcopal, and ending at Camarillo UMC in time for the Good Friday worship service at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us in this prayerful walk for peace and healing. What is breaking your heart? Place your prayers in the offering plates today, or email your prayers to camarillocross@gmail.com and we will carry them with the cross on Good Friday.

Digital Prayer in the Style of Taizé—TONIGHT, March 24, we offer our digital Prayer in the Style of Taizé, at 5:30 p.m., available on our <u>Facebook</u> page, our website—<u>www.stcolumbaca.com</u>, or <u>YouTube</u> channel). Join us and see if this contemplative worship speaks to your heart.

VCIC Presentation—Join the Ventura County Interfaith Community for a look at Zoroastrianism. On Tuesday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m., Tim Helton, Ph.D., will interview Maneck Bhujwala, a native of Mumbai and Zoroastrian priest and a past president of the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council. You can join the conversation between Bhujwala and Helton on Zoom (no charge): https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84573617962?pwd=dHEydFFzSm8zRjg2dysrZkZHM1pzdz09.

Night Watch—After our 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship, **March 28**, you are invited to sign up to spend time in prayer in our Chapel. From **9:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.** on Good Friday, continue your worship and preparation for Easter by remembering Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane the night before he died. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or you can sign up online: https://bit.ly/2024NightWatch

Food Ministry Needs Paper Bags—Our food ministry is in need of your used paper bags. We serve groceries to 50 families three times a month, and we use 450 paper bags each month! Please bring in your empty paper grocery bags so we may reuse them! Just drop them off in the parish hall. Thank you for your help!

Easter Flowers—Easter flower envelopes are in the pews. If you wish to donate towards flowers this Easter, please enclose payment and put your envelope in the offering plate or bring it to the parish office by today, March 24.

Resurrection in Art Class—Join Fr. Michael Anderson as we explore the way that artists have historically represented and wrestled with the Resurrection. **Starting April 14**, we will be meeting on **Sundays at 11:15 a.m.** in the parish hall. Come ready to look and discuss.

Prayer Request Procedures—Praying for others is an important part of our worship experience and essential that it hold spiritual meaning. It is for that reason that St. Columba has made a few changes in prayer requests. Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. Also, first and last names will be used, unless a person specifically requests the last name not be. If you would like to add or remove someone to or from the prayer list or for those needing continuing prayer, please email the church office at office.manager@stcolumbaca.com or call 805.482.8831.

We Need Donated Food for Our Food Ministries—We serve about 45 families three times per month, using existing funds from our Food Ministry money. Each week, we need cereal, oatmeal, pasta sauce, pasta, canned soup, mac & cheese, canned tuna, canned chicken, fresh bread, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. While you are grocery shopping, please pick up one or more of these items and bring them to church on Sunday or drop them off at the parish hall. Although we received a HUD/City of Camarillo grant for our 1st Thursday distribution through Spring 2024, you can also donate to St. Columba's and we'll do the shopping. Just indicate "Food Ministry" in the memo on your check. Your support is so appreciated by our food clients who truly need our help - thank you for your donations and thank you to our volunteers!

Ministers serving today:

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Altar Guild: Sarah Wigert and Mary Steppes-Cole

Ushers: Gail & Maurice Hill

Lector: Lara Tyas

Passion Readers: Fr. Michael Anderson, Paul Amendt, Marjo Gardner, Maurice Hill, Nancy Miller, Diane Off, Lara Tyas, Bob Waite

Eucharistic Minister: Bob Waite

Communion Assistant: Bill Brown

Sound Technicians: Tim Helton, Nancy Miller, Vinita Bhushan, Richard Stone, Carlos Barraza, Bill Hillbrant

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for

those with immediate needs:

Mary Steppes-Cole, Ann Radzienda, Melinda Miller, John Noonan, Steve Grantham, Linda Lowe, Mary Vasi, Maggie Lunsky, Richard Lappine, Emily Bianco, Lisa, Robyn, Ivan

and those who need our continuing prayers:

Susan Klein, Declan, Blake

We pray for all those serving at home and abroad:

• Jesse Meyer, Liam O'Brien, Matthew Bamberger, Matt Zelinskas, Nathan Halpin, Jonah Hershman, and Chris Heney.

To make changes to the prayer list for St. Columba's, please contact the church office

Safety of the Common Cup

Sharing the Cup of Christ, the common cup part of our worship, providing a time of intimacy with God and each other. But is sharing the common cup also a way to spread infection? According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), no documented transmission of any infectious disease has ever been traced to the use of a common communion cup. Studies have shown the cup has not been a source of infections and there are no documented cases of HIV, Influenza HINI and other Avian flus, or COVID-19 associated with its use. In fact, the method of transmission for COVID is airborne or respiratory, meaning there would be little if any ability for the virus to pass to someone via sharing the cup. Additionally, measures are taken to help ensure prevention of passing along an infection. First, the cup is silver. Silver has natural antibiotic properties. It is used in wound dressings and on implanted devices to help prevent infections after surgery. Secondly, the rim of the cup is wiped off between sips with a clean unused portion of the purificator, the cloth. Most importantly, the priest and the eucharistic minister(s) will thoroughly clean their hands before serving communion.

Hands are the biggest potential spreaders of infection. Those who want to receive the wine through intinction, instead of sipping from the cup, must allow for the eucharistic minister or priest to do the intinction. Only the priest or eucharistic minister will place the wafer in the wine chalice and then back on the parishioner's hands because they have cleaned their hands.

Please contact Teri Helton if you would like more information.



The Three Days with Three Churches Holy Week Liturgies

Maundy Thursday – March 28, 2024

- **★** 12:00 Noon Eucharist at St. Columba's
- → 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Worship at St. Columba's, with Camarillo United Methodist and Mount Cross Lutheran Churches

9:00 p.m. Night Watch begins at St. Columba's (Sign up in the narthex or online: https://bit.ly/2024NightWatch)

Good Friday – March 29, 2024

- + 12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross at St. Columba's
- ◆ 5:00 p.m. Way of the Cross Walk from Mount Cross Lutheran to Camarillo United Methodist Church

Meet at Mount Cross at 5:00 p.m. We will walk two miles to Camarillo United Methodist, carrying the cross and the prayers of the community.

Email prayers to CamarilloCross@gmail.com.

→ 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Ecumenical Worship at Camarillo United Methodist Church (291 Anacapa Dr., 93010)

Holy Saturday – March 30, 2024

 ★ 7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil at Mount Cross Lutheran Church (102 Camino Esplendido, 93010)

Easter Sunday – March 31, 2024

◆ 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Columba's