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PALM SUNDAY

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8:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION

with BLESSING and DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS

A continental breakfast is available Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30a.m.—12:00 Noon—NURSERY (*Cranmer Hall*)

9:30 a.m.—ADULT, YOUTH and CHILDREN'S CLASSES

(Chapel and Cranmer Hall)

10:30a.m.—Pre-school Hour—3 year olds through Kindergarten (*Cranmer Hall*)

10:30 A.M. —A PROCESSION WITH ANTE-COMMUNION

The choir enters in silence, the congregation standing.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Answer: *And with thy spirit.*

Priest: Assist us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation: that we may enter with joy upon the meditation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given unto us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GOSPEL: St. Matthew 21:1-9 (BCP p. 91)

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Answer: *And with thy spirit.*

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

Answer: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.

Answer: *It is meet and right so to do.*

Priest: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, bless thee, O Lord, Almighty, Everlasting God, for and by thy whole creation; but especially do we praise thee, at this time, for the mighty acts whereby thou hast redeemed us, through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And we beseech thee, O Lord, send thy blessing upon us who now make our prayer unto thee, and sanctify to our use these branches of palm; that we who bear them in thy Name may ever hail him as our King; the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Priest: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Answer: *Hosanna in the Highest.*

MOTET: *Pueri Hebraeorum*.....Giovanni da Palestrina

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

Answer: *In the name of Christ. Amen*

HYMN #62 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*St. Theodolph

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

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VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mr. Floyd G. Whittington, Jr.

USHER CHAIRMAN
Mr. Mark D. Stevens

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. Almon H. Williams by his wife, Sylvia, and his daughters, Gail and Deborah.

The flowers in the Chapel and Church on Maundy Thursday are given to the glory of God and in memory of Charles B. Compton by his family.

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ACOLYTES

8:00 John DeBacker
Acolyte Practice 9—9:20 a.m. for those serving at the 10:30 service.

10:30 Cord Helmken
Lawson Turner, Kameron Sallee
John Osborne, Louis Palla
Patrick Perrie, Hunt Wasden

9:30 A.M. ADULT CLASSES THIS SUNDAY

Fr Dunbar's class meets in the Chapel

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. *Men's Breakfast Discussion on the Psalms*
– Fr Dunbar (Parish House Dining Room, enter by Kitchen)
Thursday 7 a.m. *Acts of the Apostles* (Reading Room).
Thursday: Noon – No MEN'S FORUM *this week*

WOMEN'S STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Reading Rm, Cranmer Hall.

Wednesday: 10:45 a.m.–Noon *Philippians.*
Thursday: 9:15–10:30 a.m. –*No Meeting this week*

Easter Lily

If you wish to give a lily for the decoration of the Church at Easter, send a check for \$35 payable to St. John's Chancel Society marked "Easter Lily" to the Church Office. Please be sure to indicate the specific intention of the gift (memorial, thanksgiving, etc.)

The list will be published the Sunday after Easter.

ACOLYTES

5:30 P.M. MAUNDY THURSDAY – arrive by 4:45
Cord Helmken, Lawson Turner, Kameron Sallee
John Osborne, Louis Palla, Patrick Perrie, Hunt Wasden
12:00 (NOON) GOOD FRIDAY – arrive by 11:15
Cord Helmken, Lawson Turner, John Osborne
1:30 P.M. – HOLY SATURDAY April 7th
Practice for ALL Acolytes scheduled for Easter Day.

NURSERY AVAILABLE

*Maundy Thursday, 5:30 p.m.; Good Friday, Noon
Easter Day, 9 a.m.—1:30 p.m.*

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

KALENDAR FOR HOLY WEEK

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

8:15 am Holy Communion (Chapel) **5:30 pm** Ante-Communion, “Tenebrae” (Church)

N. B. On Wednesday, there is no 10:00 a.m. service; no evening Supper or Class.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

8:15 am Holy Communion (Church) **10:00 am** Holy Communion (Chapel)

10:30 am-4:30 pm Chapel open for prayer before the Sacrament

5:30 pm Sung Eucharist, Sermon, and Preparation for the Passion (Church)

GOOD FRIDAY (FAST DAY)

12 noon until 1:30 p.m. (Church)

LITANY, ANTE-COMMUNION AND SERMON, VENERATION OF THE CROSS

1:30-2:40 p.m. Church open for prayer **2:40 p.m.** Evening Prayer

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (*gather at parking pad on north side of Church*)

HOLY SATURDAY (Chapel)

10:30 A.M. Morning Prayer & Ante-Communion

EASTER DAY – ALL SERVICES IN THE CHURCH (*Nursery 9am-1:30 pm*)

8:00 am Sung Eucharist & Sermon

9:30am Solemn Eucharist & Sermon

11:30 am Choral Eucharist and Sermon

DYING AND RISING IN CHRIST

Our business this week is to die and rise with Christ, who died and rose for us: dying to sin, that we may rise again to righteousness, in *repentance, faith, and good works*. Throughout the week we exercise *Faith*, by hearing the account of his Passion written in all four gospels, and we imitate his sacrificial *Charity*, by acts of offering and intercession. On Good Friday follows the ceremony known as the Veneration of the Cross. A cross is unveiled before the congregation: “before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you” (Galatians 3:1), and we approach the altar to kneel at its foot. In that act of worship, we acknowledge our sin, our betrayal of the Lord’s charity, as the choir sings the Reproaches of Christ: “O my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me”. The choir expresses our *Repentance* with the

Trisagion: “Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy upon us”. Yet “where sin abounded, grace did much more abound” (Romans 5:20), and penitence turns to praise of what his perfect love and obedience has accomplished for us on the cross: “We adore thy cross, O Lord, and we praise and glorify thy holy resurrection; for, lo, by the cross, joy hath come to the whole world”. With this praise is mingled the prayer for blessing in Psalm 67. Thus do we bear testimony to the wonderful exchange transacted for us upon the cross: “Christ hath redeemed us from the *curse* of the law, being made a curse for us - for it is written, Cursed is everyone that hangeth on a tree - that the *blessing* of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith” (Galatians 3:13, 14). He took upon himself the curse of our sin, that he might give us the blessing of his righteousness. GGD

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Priest: Christ for us became obedient unto death.

Answer: *Even the death of the Cross.*Priest: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified; Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the Cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through the same thy son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

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