



# Christ Church Charlotte

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday  
March 29, 2026 · 8:45 & 11:15 AM  
The Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Welcome to worship in your Spiritual Home.  
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*The congregation gathers outside in the circle so that all go into the church in procession together.*

## Illumination

Today is the Last Sunday in Lent, the forty-day season that prepares us for Jesus' service and sacrifice in Holy Week and his resurrection on Easter. Lent is a time of prayer and self-examination. Our worship reflects this journey—purple for penitence, no flowers, quieter music, and readings shaped by temptation, repentance, and forgiveness. By entering fully into the season of Lent, we are prepared to receive the joy of Easter.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Liturgy of the Palms

BCP 270

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant: 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 Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

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

**People: 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."

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Celebrant says, "Let these branches be for us signs of his victory," the people raise their palm branches.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

**People: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*During the singing of the hymn, the congregation processes into the church.*

**Processional Hymn 154** All glory, laud, and honor

St. Theodulph

*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,

*Repeat Refrain*

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**

BCP 272

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Lift up your heads** (8:45 am service)

William Mathias

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,  
and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors,  
and the King of glory shall come in.  
Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.  
Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

**Hosanna to the Son of David** (11:15 am service)

Thomas Weelkes

Hosanna to the Son of David.  
Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Thou that sittest in the highest heavens.  
Hosanna in excelsis Deo.

**Opening Acclamation**

BCP 351

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People: His mercy endures forever.**

**The Collect of the Day**

BCP 272

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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. **Amen.**

**The New Testament: 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 164** Alone thou goest forth, O Lord

Bangor

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## THE PASSION GOSPEL

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*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.  
The Congregation remains seated until the mention of "the place of a skull."  
The congregation also participates by reading the part of the "Crowd," indicated in **bold italics**.*

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**Narrator:** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

**Pilate:** Are you the King of the Jews?

**Narrator:** Jesus said,

**Jesus:** You say so.

**Narrator:** But when Jesus was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

**Pilate:** Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?

**Narrator:** But Jesus 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 the crowd,

**Pilate:** Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?

**Narrator:** For Pilate realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests and the elders had handed Jesus over. While Pilate was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him,

**Wife:** Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.

**Narrator:** 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,

**Pilate:** Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

**Narrator:** And the crowd said,

**Crowd: *Barabbas.***

**Narrator:** Pilate said to them,

**Pilate:** Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

**Narrator:** All of them said,

**Crowd: *Let him be crucified!***

**Narrator:** Then Pilate asked,

**Pilate:** Why, what evil has he done?

**Narrator:** But the crowd shouted all the more,

**Crowd: *Let him be crucified!***

**Narrator:** 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,

**Pilate:** I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

**Narrator:** Then the people as a whole answered,

**Crowd: *His blood be on us and on our children!***

**Narrator:** So Pilate 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 Jesus 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,

**Soldier:** Hail, King of the Jews!

**Narrator:** They spat on Jesus, 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, the soldiers came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon, they compelled this man to carry Jesus' cross.

*All stand.*

And when the soldiers came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over Jesus' head they put the charge against him, which read,

**Soldier:** This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.

**Narrator:** Then two bandits were crucified with Jesus, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

**Crowd:** ***You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.***

**Narrator:** In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking Jesus saying,

**Leader:** 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 God wants to; for this man said, "I am God's Son."

**Narrator:** The bandits who were crucified with Jesus 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,

**Jesus:** Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?

**Narrator:** that is,

**Jesus:** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**Narrator:** When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

**Crowd:** ***This man is calling for Elijah.***

**Narrator:** 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. But other said,

**Crowd:** ***Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.***

**Narrator:** Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

*Silence is kept.*

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, they were terrified and said,

**Centurion:** Truly this man was God's Son!

## The Prayers of the People, Form IV

Reader: 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. We pray for Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Jennifer, our Bishops; Orlando, Bishop of Costa Rica; Metlha, Bishop of Botswana; and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for leaders of all nations, especially Donald our President, Josh our Governor, Vi our Mayor, for the Congress, the Courts, and all in authority.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for our partners in mission and outreach including Reimagining America Project.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for the expectant mothers in our parish (Allie Miller, Catherine Baudhuin, Tess Marley, Britt DeCurtins, Eloise Reeves, Mariah Gajewski, Emily Shelley, Katie Turner, Lindsey Wilson, Mary Campbell Davis and Kathryn Heynen Warner). We give thanks for the birth of William Stricklin Gore, son of Cameron and Richard Gore; Graham Carlton Showalter, son of Alyssa and Pete Showalter and grandson of Jane and Carl Showalter; Robert Davis Molster, son of Ashton and Pierre Molster.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit including Barbara Goode, David Burns, Butler Spiers, Linda Stultz, Bill Jennings, Dan Jones, Johnsie Canny, Dale Carpenter, Joe Turner, David Robinson, Don Staniforth, Ken Bauer, Anna Clifford, and those we name silently and aloud; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died including Richard Stover Fulton; John Christopher Morris; Ann Wagener, mother of Sheila Pacholski; Bill Repper, brother of Sharon Rountree that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds this concluding Collect,*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Peace *(standing)*

BCP 360

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

**People: And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory

*This Holy Week and Easter your offerings will support the vital work of our BRIDGE for Kids and International House.*

**Offertory Anthem** What wondrous love is this (8:45 am service)

arr. Trevor Manner

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, O my soul!  
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great "I AM,"  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

*Solus ad victimam* (11:15 am service)

Kenneth Leighton

Alone to sacrifice thou goest, Lord,  
giving thyself to Death whom thou hast slain.  
For us thy wretched folk is any word?  
Who knew that for our sins this is thy pain?  
For they are ours, O Lord, our deeds,  
Why must thou suffer torture for our sins?  
Let our hearts suffer in thy Passion, Lord,  
That very suffering may thy mercy win.  
This is the night of tears, the three days' space,  
Sorrow abiding in the eventide,  
Until the daybreak with the risen Christ,  
And hearts that sorrowed shall be satisfied.  
So may our hearts share in thine anguish, Lord,  
That they may sharers of thy glory be;  
Heavy with weeping may the three days pass,  
To win the laughter of thine Easter Day.

**Presentation Hymn**

Pange Lingua

Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing, to the Fa - ther and the Son,  
hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing, while e - ter - nal a - ges run;  
ev - er too his love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One. A - men.

**The Great Thanksgiving** (standing)

BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

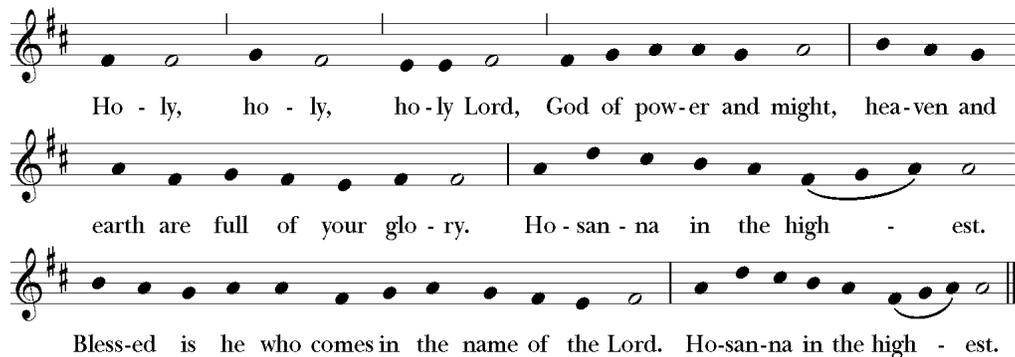
This Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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 S-124**, Holy, holy, holy Lord

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 stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues,

BCP 382

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: 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. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 364

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

**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**

BCP 364

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

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**People: Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

**People: Grant us peace.**

**The Communion**

*All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Wine is served from a common cup, from which you may drink or intinct. Gluten free wafers are available at the altar rail.*

**Communion Hymn 168** O sacred head sore wounded

*Herzlich tut mich verlangen*

**Communion Motet** *Crux fidelis*

Sarah MacDonald

*Crux fidelis* (Faithful cross).  
Eclipse at midnight,  
It was dark before sunset at Easter.  
Blindness on the dawn,  
Faint star of Bethlehem gone down.

His harmless hands unto the cross they nailed.  
Between two thieves, unpitied, unbewailed,  
With sharpest pangs and terrors thus appalled,  
*Crux fidelis.*

To know just how he suffered would be dear,  
To know if any human eyes were near  
To whom he could entrust his wavering gaze,  
Until it settle broad on Paradise.

'Remember me,' implored the thief!  
Before sunset at Easter.  
A guest in Paradise!  
*Crux fidelis.*

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *(kneeling or standing)*

BCP 365

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**The Blessing**

BCP 366

**Hymn 474** When I survey the wondrous cross

*Rockingham*

**The Dismissal**

BCP 366

*The clergy says a dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

***Please depart the church in silence.***

*The palms on the altar in the Church are given by the family of Janie and Dan Sellers to the glory of God and in loving memory of Aurelia and Fred Stafford and Ann and Bob Sellers.*

*The palms on the altar in All Saints' Hall are given by the Tabor family in loving memory of Aimee Norman and Van Hill and in thanks for their many years of compassionate service to others.*

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*Our 2026 Easter offering will support two of our community partners serving Charlotte's immigrant and refugee families. ourBRIDGE for Kids offers culturally responsive, trauma-informed services to refugee and immigrant children and their families, with the goal of helping them adjust and thrive. International House helps immigrants settle and succeed in this region, and connects local residents and businesses with people and cultures from around the world.*



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### The Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

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

**People: 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."

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Celebrant says, "Let these branches be for us signs of his victory," the people raise their palm branches.

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**Amen.**

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

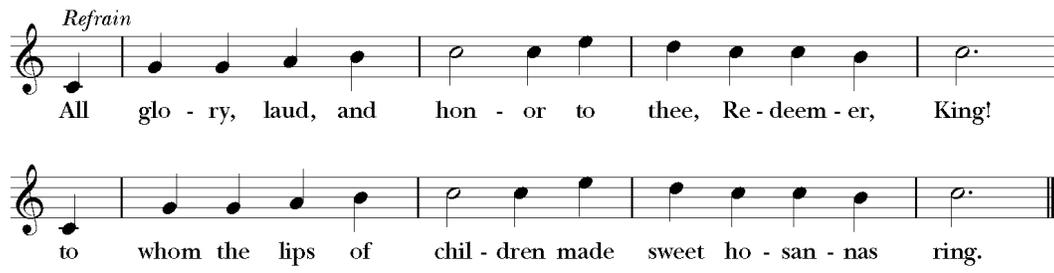
**People: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*During the singing of the hymn, the congregation processes into the church.*

**Processional Hymn 154** All glory, laud, and honor

St. Theodulph

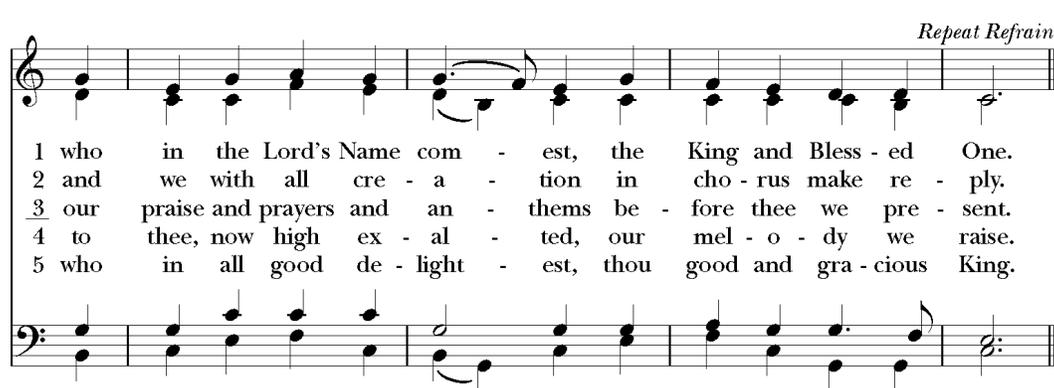
*Refrain*



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,

*Repeat Refrain*



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

BCP 272

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Opening Acclamation

BCP 351

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People: His mercy endures forever.**

## The Collect of the Day

BCP 272

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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. **Amen.**

## The New Testament: 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 164** Alone thou goest forth, O Lord

*Bangor*

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## THE PASSION GOSPEL

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*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.*

*The Congregation remains seated until the mention of "the place of a skull."*

*The congregation also participates by reading the part of the "Crowd," indicated in **bold italics**.*

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**Narrator:** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

**Pilate:** Are you the King of the Jews?

**Narrator:** Jesus said,

**Jesus:** You say so.

**Narrator:** But when Jesus was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

**Pilate:** Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?

**Narrator:** But Jesus 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 the crowd,

**Pilate:** Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?

**Narrator:** For Pilate realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests and the elders had handed Jesus over. While Pilate was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him,

**Wife:** Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.

**Narrator:** 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,

**Pilate:** Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

**Narrator:** And the crowd said,

**Crowd: Barabbas.**

**Narrator:** Pilate said to them,

**Pilate:** Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

**Narrator:** All of them said,

**Crowd: Let him be crucified!**

**Narrator:** Then Pilate asked,

**Pilate:** Why, what evil has he done?

**Narrator:** But the crowd shouted all the more,

**Crowd: Let him be crucified!**

**Narrator:** 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,

**Pilate:** I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

**Narrator:** Then the people as a whole answered,

**Crowd: His blood be on us and on our children!**

**Narrator:** So Pilate 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 Jesus 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,

**Soldier:** Hail, King of the Jews!

**Narrator:** They spat on Jesus, 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, the soldiers came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon, they compelled this man to carry Jesus' cross.

*All stand.*

And when the soldiers came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over Jesus' head they put the charge against him, which read,

**Soldier:** This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.

**Narrator:** Then two bandits were crucified with Jesus, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

**Crowd: You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.**

**Narrator:** In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking Jesus saying,

**Leader:** 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 God wants to; for this man said, "I am God's Son."

**Narrator:** The bandits who were crucified with Jesus 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,

**Jesus:** Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?

**Narrator:** that is,

**Jesus:** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**Narrator:** When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

**Crowd:** *This man is calling for Elijah.*

**Narrator:** 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. But other said,

**Crowd:** *Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.*

**Narrator:** Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

*Silence is kept.*

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, they were terrified and said,

**Centurion:** Truly this man was God's Son!

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## The Homily

The Reverend Allen Pruitt

### The Prayers of the People, Form IV

Reader: 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. We pray for Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Jennifer, our Bishops; Orlando, Bishop of Costa Rica; Metlha, Bishop of Botswana; and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for leaders of all nations, especially Donald our President, Josh our Governor, Vi our Mayor, for the Congress, the Courts, and all in authority.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for our partners in mission and outreach including Reimagining America Project.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: 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. We pray for the expectant mothers in our parish (Allie Miller, Catherine Baudhuin, Tess Marley, Britt DeCurtins, Eloise Reeves, Mariah Gajewski, Emily Shelley, Katie Turner, Lindsey Wilson, Mary Campbell Davis and Kathryn Heynen Warner). We give thanks for the birth of William Stricklin Gore, son of Cameron and Richard Gore; Graham Carlton Showalter, son of Alyssa and Pete Showalter and grandson of Jane and Carl Showalter; Robert Davis Molster, son of Ashton and Pierre Molster.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit including Barbara Goode, David Burns, Butler Spiers, Linda Stultz, Bill Jennings, Dan Jones, Johnsie Canny, Dale Carpenter, Joe Turner, David Robinson, Don Staniforth, Ken Bauer, Anna Clifford, and those we name silently and aloud; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died including Richard Stover Fulton; John Christopher Morris; Ann Wagener, mother of Sheila Pacholski; Bill Repper, brother of Sharon Rountree that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds this concluding Collect,*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *(standing)*

BCP 360

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

**People: And also with you.**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory**

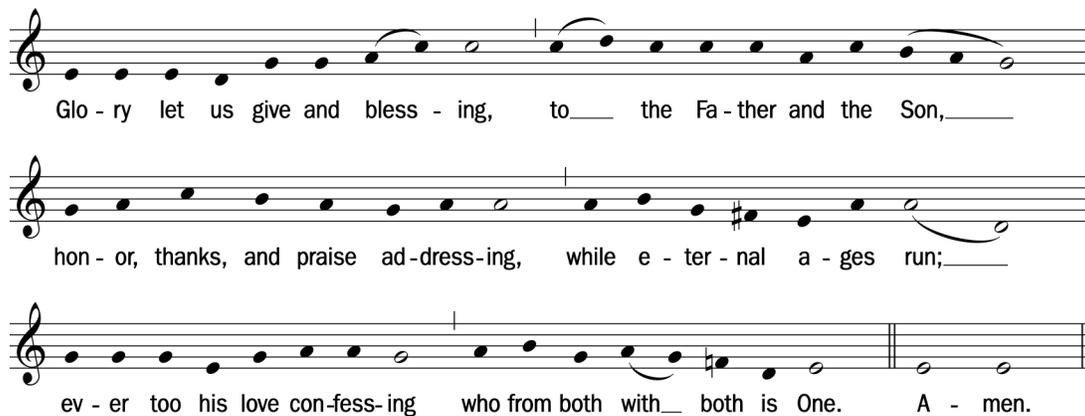
*This Holy Week and Easter your offerings will support our BRIDGE for Kids and International House.*

**Offertory Hymn TFWS (The Faith We Sing) 2113 Lamb of God**

*Sweet Lamb of God*

**Presentation Hymn**

*Pange Lingua*



Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing, to the Fa - ther and the Son,  
hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing, while e - ter - nal a - ges run;  
ev - er too his love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One. A - men.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*This Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant,*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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 S-124**, Holy, holy, holy Lord

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 stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues,*

BCP 382

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: 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. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Tom Belt

Our Fa - ther in heav-en, ho - ly is your Name, your king-dom come, your  
will be done, on Earth\_ as in heav-en. Give us to - day our dai - ly  
bread. For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the  
King-dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry are yours now and for -  
ev - er. A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

**People: Grant us peace.**

## The Communion

*All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Wine is served from a common cup, from which you may drink or intinct. Gluten free wafers are available at the altar rail.*

## Communion Hymn 458 My song is love unknown

Love Unknown

## The Postcommunion Prayer *(kneeling or standing)*

BCP 365

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## The Blessing

BCP 366

## Hymn 168 O sacred head sore wounded *(stanzas 1-3 only)*

*Herzlich tut mich verlangen*

## The Dismissal

BCP 366

*The clergy says a dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

***Please depart the church in silence.***

*The palms on the altar in the Church are given by the family of Janie and Dan Sellers to the glory of God and in loving memory of Aurelia and Fred Stafford and Ann and Bob Sellers.*

*The palms on the altar in All Saints' Hall are given by the Tabor family in loving memory of Aimee Norman and Van Hill and in thanks for their many years of compassionate service to others.*

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TODAY

Clergy Class: The Way of the Cross | 10:15 - 10:45 am | All Saints' Hall - The Reverends Allen Pruitt and Elizabeth Walker will discuss how participating in the drama that leads to resurrection can deepen your faith. We will share history and tradition as well as details about Christ Church offerings to help you understand the life-giving and life-changing power of walking the Way of the Cross. All ages are welcome to attend this half-hour program.

Children & Youth

- Sunday Nursery Care | 8:30 am - 12:30 pm | Nursery Suites
Children's Sunday School | 10 - 10:50 am | Various Classrooms
Middle School Sunday School | 10 - 10:50 am | St. Francis C

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Worship with us as we commemorate Jesus' final days on earth with special liturgies throughout the week.

Monday (March 30)

6 pm Holy Week Eucharist (Church)

Tuesday (March 31)

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross: A Solemn Procession (Church)

Wednesday (April 1)

6 pm Holy Week Labyrinth & Eucharist (All Saints' Hall)

Maunder Thursday (April 2)

7:30 pm Maunder Thursday Eucharist, Foot-Washing, and Stripping of the Altar (Church & Online)

9:00 pm - 9:00 am Prayer Vigil of the Reserved Sacrament (Chapel)

Good Friday (April 3)

10 am Good Friday: Stations of the Cross for Families ^

12 Noon Liturgy for Good Friday with Holy Eucharist (Church & Online)

Saturday (April 4)

7:30 pm The Great Vigil of Easter With Baptisms (Church & Online)

Easter Sunday (April 5)

8:45 am Festive Eucharist (Church & Online) ^

8:45 am Festive Contemporary Eucharist (All Saints' Hall & Online) ^

11:15 am Festive Eucharist (Church & Online) ^

11:15 am Festive Discovery Eucharist (All Saints' Hall) ^

5 pm Festive Eucharist (Church)

(No Sunday School)

^ Nursery Care Available

Our Spiritual Home

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Member Directory Photo Opportunity | Sunday, April 5 | 8 - 11:30 am | Christ Church - All dressed up and ready to smile? Let us help you update your member directory photo! On Easter Sunday, we'll have parish photographers in a designated location available to take your or your family's picture and upload it directly to your Realm profile. If you don't have a Realm account or prefer to upload your own photo, visit christchurchcharlotte.org/members for details. Questions? Contact Ainslie Wall at walla@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-333-0378.

COMING SOON

There is always a lot going on- these are just highlights! View all events and find registration links on the Church Calendar (QR code at the top of the page).

Faith & Connection

Clergy Class: The Resurrection Stories | Sunday, April 12 | 10 - 10:50 am | All Saint's Hall - Explore how each of the Gospel writers bears witness to the resurrection, and how their stories invite us to tell our own. Led by Dr. Wayne Ballard.

Clergy Class: Christ Church Youth Panel | Sunday, April 19 | 10 - 10:50 am | All Saint's Hall - On Youth Sunday, we welcome voices of Christ Church youth and youth leaders, offering an intergenerational window into how their ministry supports faith, connection, and wellbeing for all.

FOR ALL ADULTS

An Evening with Kate Bowler | Friday, April 10 | 7 - 8 pm | Carolina Theatre - Spend an evening with bestselling author, Duke professor, and expert at telling the truth about being human, Kate Bowler, in conversation with The Reverend Chip Edens. They will discuss her new book, Joyful Anyway, reminding us that joy doesn't require us to pretend everything is fine. Details & tickets (\$68-82 includes copy of the book): christchurchcharlotte.org/bowler.

ESPECIALLY FOR NEWCOMERS

Newcomer Dinner - Wednesday, April 8 | 5:30 - 7 pm | M207 - If you are new, join us for dinner and a chance to learn about Christ Church and connect with staff and other newcomers. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/newcomer-dinner.

ESPECIALLY FOR MEN

Men's BIG Breakfast - Tuesday, April 7 | 7 - 8:15 am | Blue Room - Men of all ages are invited for breakfast and conversation, usually on the first Tuesday of each month, October through June. Cash donations for breakfast can be made at the door (\$10 suggested). Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/mens-breakfast.

Men's Retreat at Valle Crucis Conference Center | Friday, April 17 - Sunday, April 19 | Valle Crucis Conference Center, Banner Elk, NC - Looking for a chance to reconnect, renew, and reset? Men of all ages are invited to enjoy a weekend of fellowship and relaxation. Drawing inspiration from The Reverend Joshua Case's recent book, The Golfer's Rule of Life, there will be opportunity for golf, fly fishing, and hiking. Registration (\$350) covers lodging and all meals. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/mens-retreat.

ESPECIALLY FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Unplugged Conversations: Faith, Life & Community | Sunday, April 19 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm | Blue Room - A time for young adults (20s & 30s) to step away from screens and everyday chaos and engage with each other to discuss real-life faith topics. Details & registration: christchurchcharlotte.org/unplugged.

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

**Easter Egg Hunt | Sunday, April 5 | 12:15 - 1:15 pm | Lawn** - Following the 11:15 am Easter Sunday services, children will proceed directly from worship to hunt eggs, so please bring basket(s) to the service. Want to help? We are grateful for individually-wrapped, peanut-free candy donations, which can be dropped off at the Church offices by April 3. Please contact Sarah Ford at [fords@christchurchcharlotte.org](mailto:fords@christchurchcharlotte.org) with questions. Details: [christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-egg-hunt](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-egg-hunt).

**Blessing of Fourth Grade Bibles | Sunday, April 19 | 8:45 - 9:45 am | Church** - Open to all Christ Church fourth graders. Bibles will be presented during Holy Eucharist. Families are invited for a light reception afterward (10 am). If your child would like to receive a Bible, please register by April 3. Details & registration: [christchurchcharlotte.org/fourth-grade-bibles](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/fourth-grade-bibles).

**Southern Soiree | Friday, April 24 | 7 - 11 pm | Church Circle** - An evening to celebrate and raise funds for our Children's Ministry and Christ Church Preschool and Kindergarten (CCK). Tickets (\$85 through March 29) include hors d'oeuvres, beverages, music, and "experience" raffles! Can't attend but want to help? Make a monetary donation! Details & tickets: [christchurchcharlotte.org/soiree](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/soiree).

**Being Human: Conversations About Teen Mental Health | Sunday, April 26 | 3 - 4 pm | All Saints' Hall** - This event brings teens and caregivers together to learn, ask questions, and build tools for resilience. A collaboration between HopeWay and The Center for Wellbeing & Care, sponsored by the Live Like Bryant Foundation. Details & registration (free; required): [christchurchcharlotte.org/teen-mental-health](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/teen-mental-health).

**Vacation Bible School 2026 | June 22 - 25 | Christ Church** - Registration is now open for VBS. This summer's theme, Beatitudes: WWJD?, invites us to explore how Jesus' way of kindness, mercy, and trust brings true joy. Details & registration (Deadline: May 1): [christchurchcharlotte.org/vbs](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/vbs).

*Wellbeing & Care*

**Embracing Spring with SoulCollage® | Saturday, April 25 | 9:30 am - 12 pm | Green Room** - Adults are invited to engage the creative energy of spring through a SoulCollage® workshop. This expressive arts experience is led by Michelle McDevitt-Askew, a SoulCollage® Facilitator and Marriage & Family therapist. Registration (\$10) is required. Details & registration: [christchurchcharlotte.org/soul-collage](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/soul-collage).

*Outreach & Mission*

**Habitat for Humanity Build 2026** - Help Lisa Skinner and her family build their new home! We need both construction and lunch provisions each week. Teens (16+) can volunteer with supervision and consent from parents. See all build dates and sign up at [christchurchcharlotte.org/events/habitat](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/events/habitat).

**Lydia's Pantry Food Drive** - Drop off non-perishable food items to the Rotunda donation bin any time during business hours to support Lydia's Pantry. See specific list of needed items here: [link to website page](#): [christchurchcharlotte.org/current-needs-in-our-community](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/current-needs-in-our-community).

**Men's Shelter Dinner | 3rd Sundays & 4th Thursdays | 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm | Howard Levine Men's Shelter** - We now have double the opportunities to serve dinner at the Men's Shelter. They provide disposable gloves, all serving equipment, and dinner – volunteers just sign up and show up to serve! Details & signup link: [christchurchcharlotte.org/mens-shelter-dinner](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/mens-shelter-dinner).

**Matthew 25 Casserole Ministry | 3rd Wednesdays** - Parishioners prepare 60+ casseroles every month to serve the Salvation Army Women's Shelter, Men's Shelter, Charlotte Rescue Mission, and the Urban Ministry Center. If you'd like to participate, contact John Wilkinson at 704-957-4508 or [johngrahamwilkinson@gmail.com](mailto:johngrahamwilkinson@gmail.com) for an easy recipe and further instructions.

*Thank You for Your Generosity*

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If you would like to make a pledge for 2026, please use this QR code ([christchurchcharlotte.org/pledge](http://christchurchcharlotte.org/pledge)).



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