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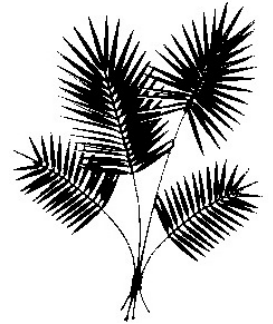
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# Sunday Worship

April 13, 2014 – 10:00 AM

## Palm Sunday

### *Liturgy of the Palms*



**Welcome – we will be starting the service outside (↑ indicates when to stand)**

*Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with us. We invite you to take part in everything today. Follow the singing with the words in this bulletin. Come to the Table for communion. You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.*

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

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

**Priest:** Let us pray.

**All:** 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.

**Priest:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

(19:28-40)

**All:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

**Priest:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**Priest:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

**Priest:** 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.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### ***The Procession***

**Priest:** Let us go forth in peace.

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

### ***The Word of God***

#### **↑Gathering Song #1: All Glory Laud and Honor**

*(Refrain:)* All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went; our praise and prayers and anthems before Thee we present. *(Refrain)*

To Thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise; to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou did accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King. *(Refrain)*

**↑All:** Almighty and ever living 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.

**A Reading from Isaiah (please be seated)**

(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?

**Leader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 31 (All in unison stay seated)**

(31:9-16)

**9** Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

**10** For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

**11** I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

**12** I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.

**13** For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

**14** But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.

**15** My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

**16** Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me."

**A Reading from Philippians (remain seated)**

(2:5-11)

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## ↑Song of Praise: Hosanna

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You; We turn to You: Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You; We long for You: 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day; In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away. Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You; We turn to You; In Your Kingdom broken hearts are made new. You make us new; 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day; In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away. Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

## The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke

(27:11-54)

### *Message* (please be seated)

↑*Leader*: Let us stand and profess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed

*All*: 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

*Leader*: We pray for all who work through the power of Christ, serving the needs of the poor and healing the wounds of injustice, division and materialism in our society. Lord, in your mercy,

*All*: Hear our prayer.

*Leader*: We pray for the elderly, the sick and the lonely among us: that they may receive comfort, companionship and care from those around them. Lord, in your mercy,

*All*: Hear our prayer.

*Leader*: We pray that those who have been persecuted or seriously wronged by others may experience warmth and love with Christ, and be able to forgive those who have hurt them. Lord, in your mercy,

*All*: Hear our prayer.

*Leader*: We pray that when we are discouraged, we may find strength in the signs of a loving and faithful God in those around us, and the joy of the Holy Spirit within us. Lord, in your mercy,

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** We pray for those whom we love but no longer see; those who have gone beyond the veil of this mortal life, that their souls and the souls of all the departed may rest in peace. Lord, in your mercy,

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For Centerville Imports that the business would grow, vehicles would be repaired expertly, and people would travel safely in our community, let us pray to the Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of hope, of possibility, of eternal life, and of commitment to the redeeming power of God who brings new life out of death to people and communities, let us pray to The Lord,

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the congregations and clergy of St. George's, Stanley and St. Paul's, Shenandoah that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Amen.

**Leader:** Lord of eternity, bind us together by your Holy Spirit in communion with your saints, that we may entrust ourselves, and one another, and our whole lives to you.

**All:** Amen.

**Leader:** Seeking the rightness that comes from God, we pray to God also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**All:** Have mercy on us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Priest:** Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen**

↑Exchange of Peace

**Priest:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## *The Holy Communion*

Offertory – Amazing Love (Graham Kendrick)

My Lord what love is this? That pays so dearly, That I the guilty one, May go free

(Chorus) Amazing love. O what sacrifice. The Son of God, Giv'n for me. My debt he pays, And my death He dies. That I might live. That I might live.

And so they watched Him die. Despised rejected. But O the blood, He shed flowed for me (Chorus)

That I might live (3x)

And now this love of Christ, Shall flow like rivers. Come wash your guilt away. Live again (*Chorus*)  
That I might live.

↑ **Doxology:** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

↑ **Eucharistic Prayer from combined sources (please stand)**

*Priest:* The Lord is with you.

*All:* And also with you.

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts.

*All:* We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Priest:* Blessed are you, strong and faithful God. In the beginning your Word summoned light; night withdrew, and creation dawned. As ages passed unseen, waters gathered on the face of the earth and life appeared. When the times at last had ripened and the earth grown full in abundance, you created man and woman in your image, the crown of all creation. You have created us to hear your Word, to do your will, and to be fulfilled in your love. Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:

*All (Sung):* Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

*All:* All holy God, how wonderful the work of your hands! You restored the beauty of your image when sin had scarred the world. You embraced a people as your own and filled them with a longing for a peace that would last and for a justice that would never fail. Through countless generations your people hungered for the bread of freedom. From them you raised up Jesus, the living bread, in whom ancient hungers were satisfied. He healed the sick, though he himself would suffer; he offered life to sinners, though death would hunt him down. But with a love stronger than death, he opened wide his arms and surrendered his spirit.

*Priest:* Father, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over our earthly gifts of bread and wine. On the night he met with death, Jesus came to table with those he loved. He took bread and blessed you, God of all creation; he broke the bread among his disciples and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." When supper had ended, he took a cup of wine; and gave thanks to you, God of all creation; he passed the cup among his disciples and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you, shed for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*All:* Father, we commemorate Jesus, your Son. Death could not bind him, for you raised him up in the Spirit of holiness and exalted him as Lord of creation. By his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in love, and faithful to the breaking of bread. Rejoicing in the Holy Spirit,

your whole church offers thanks and praise. We pray for those here present and all whose lives bring home to the world.

*Priest:* Lord of the living and the dead, awaken to the undying light of pardon and peace those fallen asleep in faith, those who have died alone, unloved, and unmourned, all whose faith is known only to you. Gathered with the apostles and all of your saints at last, all creation will be one, and all divisions healed. We shall join in singing your praise through your Son, Jesus the Christ.

*All:* 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.

*Priest:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

*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 Priest breaks the consecrated bread and says:*

*Priest:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*Priest:* 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.

*[NOTE: All are welcome to receive Communion, whatever your faith tradition. Please receive the bread in the open palm of your hand. Then, either consume the bread and move to a chalice and receive from the chalice by guiding the base of the chalice to your mouth or take the chalice from the chalice minister. Or, you may intinct or dip the bread into the chalice and consume it. The glass chalice contains non-alcoholic wine for those who do not wish to consume alcohol for any reason. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.]*

### Communion Song: Worthy is the Lamb

Thank You for the cross, Lord; Thank You for the price You paid; Bearing all my sin and shame, in love You came, and gave amazing grace; Thank You for this love, Lord; Thank You for the nail pierced hands; Washed me in Your cleansing flow, now all I know Your forgiveness and embrace.

*(Chorus:)* Worthy is the Lamb, seated on the throne; Crown You now with many crowns, You reign victorious; High and lifted up, Jesus, Son of God, the Darling of heaven crucified; Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.

↑**Post-Communion Prayer (All - please stand):** Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love, where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union, where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

↑**Blessing**

↑**Song of Dismissal: Jesus Messiah - Chris Tomlin**

He became sin; Who knew no sin. That we might become His Righteousness. He humbled himself and carried the cross. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

*(Chorus:)* Jesus Messiah, Name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners. The ransom from Heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine. Broken and poured out, all for love. The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

*(Chorus:)* Jesus Messiah, Name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners. The ransom from Heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

All I hope is in You, All I hope is in You. All the glory to You, God, The light of the world

*(Chorus:)* Jesus Messiah, Name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners. The ransom from Heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all. The Lord of all, the Lord of all.

↑**Announcements, Prayer Requests & Dismissal**

↑ **Priest:** Let us bless the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Remember next week to bring any flowers you may have in your yard to help flower the Cross for Easter Sunday.**



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**Make yourself comfortable!**

Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with the people of St. Francis Church.

**There is no "one right way" to participate. Join in as much as you want.**

If you wish to sing, all our music is included in the bulletin. We have a lively contemporary band and music is a significant part of our worship experience. However, we recognize that visitors may not know the music. If you and your family are among these, we encourage you to hum along or simply sit back and enjoy the sound.

Filling out a name tag and placing it on your person will permit us all to greet each other by name while visiting here at St. Francis. Likewise, signing our guest roster will permit us to follow-up with you following this Sunday's worship.

If you are a guest today, don't feel obligated to make a financial contribution to the offering.

Rest rooms are located in the entrance Narthex and in the mobile office/classroom building adjacent to the worship hall.

*"We are a welcoming community seeking to share God's unconditional love with all."*

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**Remember in your prayers:**

Libby Clark  
 Christian Families in Pakistan  
 Jean Guerrero  
 Michael Saady  
 Jane, Brian, and Andrew Hahn  
 Jill  
 Sam  
 Valerie & Kyle  
 Holly Shifflett

Helen  
 Simon Bauers  
 Michelle Lambert  
 Sonny B.  
 Andrew  
 Clay  
 Jean  
 Karen  
 Amy Williams

Arielle Niemeyer  
 April and family  
 Amanda  
 Chris Keller  
 Nancy  
 Tom  
 David  
 Neale Dickinson

**Your Vestry Members are:**

**Senior Warden:** Jack Martin  
**Other Members:** Larry Kidd  
**Register:** Marian Elam

**Junior Warden:** Bill Weatherford  
 Richard Walker  
**Treasurer:** Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalcers for April, May and early June. If you have a problem with the dates on this schedule, please let Larry Kidd know as soon as possible and he will try to make adjustments. Otherwise you will need to find a substitute if you are unable to be at church on your assigned date.

**Worship Service**

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Scripture Reader</u> | <u>Prayer Reader</u> | <u>Chalicer Names</u>            | <u>Greeters/ Ushers</u>          |
|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 13-Apr 10am | Richard Walker          | Kathy Gammon         | Richard Walker, Kathy Gammon     | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd       |
| 17-Apr 6pm  | Bill Weatherford        | Jack Martin          | Bill Weatherford, Jack Martin    | John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd |
| 18-Apr 6pm  | MJ Weatherford          | Larry Kidd           | MJ Weatherford, Susan Kidd       | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd     |
| 20-Apr 10am | Kathy Gammon            | Richard Walker       | Kathy Gammon, Richard Walker     | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd       |
| 27-Apr 10am | Jack Martin             | Bill Weatherford     | Jack Martin, Bill Weatherford    | John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd |
| 4-May 10am  | Larry Kidd              | MJ Weatherford       | Susan Kidd, MJ Weatherford       | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd     |
| 11-May 10am | Richard Walker          | Kathy Gammon         | Richard Walker, Kathy Gammon     | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd       |
| 18-May 10am | Bill Weatherford        | MJ Weatherford       | Bill Weatherford, MJ Weatherford | John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd |
| 25-May 10am | Jack Martin             | Larry Kidd           | Jack Martin, Susan Kidd          | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd     |
| 1-Jun 10am  | Kathy Gammon            | Jack Martin          | Kathy Gammon, Jack Martin        | John and Libby Clark, Susan Kidd |



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# ~Announcements~

## Upcoming Important Dates:

|                    |  |             |            |
|--------------------|--|-------------|------------|
| Sunday, April 13   | Palm Sunday Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch | St. Francis | 10:00 a.m. |
| Thursday, April 17 | Maundy Thursday Service                        | St. Francis | 6:00 p.m.  |
| Friday, April 18   | Good Friday Service                            | St. Francis | 6:00 p.m.  |
| Sunday, April 20   | Easter Sunday Service                          | St. Francis | 10:00 a.m. |
| Friday, April 25   | Kindred Spirits                                | St. Francis | 7:30 p.m.  |

**Financial Update**—If there are any questions about any of this data, please don't hesitate to ask your treasurer, Susan Kidd.

|                                 | <b>Operating Funds</b>  |                      | <b>Net Gain</b>     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
|                                 | <u>Deposits</u>         | <u>Expenses</u>      | <u>or (Loss)</u>    |
| <b>2014</b>                     |                         |                      |                     |
| January                         | \$2,914.00              | \$8,064.05           | <b>(\$5,150.05)</b> |
| February                        | \$10,967.00             | \$7,394.59           | <b>\$3,572.41</b>   |
| March                           | <u>\$7,327.00</u>       | <u>\$7,608.62</u>    | <b>(\$281.62)</b>   |
| <b>1st Quarter</b>              | <b>\$21,208.00</b>      | <b>\$23,067.26</b>   | <b>(\$1,859.26)</b> |
| April                           | \$2,525.00              | \$124.66             | <b>\$2,400.34</b>   |
| May                             | \$0.00                  | \$0.00               | <b>\$0.00</b>       |
| June                            | <u>\$0.00</u>           | <u>\$0.00</u>        | <b>\$0.00</b>       |
| <b>2nd Quarter</b>              | <b>\$2,525.00</b>       | <b>\$124.66</b>      | <b>\$2,400.34</b>   |
| <b>2014 Year-To-Date</b>        | <b>\$23,733.00</b>      | <b>\$23,191.92</b>   | <b>\$541.08</b>     |
| <b>Checking Account Balance</b> | <u><b>Beginning</b></u> | <u><b>Ending</b></u> |                     |
| <b>YTD 2014</b>                 | \$32,916.73             | \$33,457.81          | <b>\$541.08</b>     |

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