

# HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

Lent 2024: Create in us a New Heart

THE AMERICAN CATHEDRAL IN PARIS SUNDAY, MARCH  $24^{\text{TH}}$ , 2024 11:00 a.m.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

All are invited to gather at the Place de la Reine Astrid, 75008.

ANTHEM: Hosanna to the Son of David

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

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.

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

All 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.

GOSPEL: Mark 11:1-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All 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.

The Gospel of our Savior.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Celebrant God be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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.

All Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE PROCESSION

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

All are invited to follow the cross, choir, and bagpiper up avenue George V to the Cathedral.

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquerin' king. Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on. No man can a-hinder thee. I was but young when I begun. No man can a-hinder thee. But now my race is almost done. No man can a-hinder thee. King Jesus rides a milk-white horse. The river of Jordan he did cross. He's the King and the Lord of all. Jesus is the first and he's the last. Jesus is the Lord of lords. Jesus is the Prince of peace. Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on, Jesus!

All are invited to stand and sing as the procession enters the Cathedral, as able.



#### COLLECT

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.** 

All are invited to remain standing and sing, as able.



THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant God be with you.All And also with you.Celebrant Let us pray.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.** 

All are invited to be seated.

FIRST READING: Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV)

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All Thanks be to God.

HYMN: 458, "My song is love unknown"

LOVE UNKNOWN

#### THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

MARK 15:1-39 (NRSV)

The congregation is asked to speak the text in bold

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

All are invited to stand, as able.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

All are invited to be seated.

SERMON: "THE LONGING OF EMPTIED HEARTS" The Rt. Rev. Mark Edington Text: Philippians 2:4: "Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others."

Silence for reflection.

All are invited to stand, as able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM V

Intercessor

In peace, let us pray to God saying, God, 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 God.

God, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O God,

God, have mercy.

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

God, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa. In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate. We pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples. For all the victims of violence in Ukraine, the Middle East, and all areas of the world at war, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

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 God.

God, have mercy.

For this Cathedral community, here in Paris and across the globe, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

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 to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O God.

God, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you O Christ, our God.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you. People

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

The monetary gifts in the Sunday offering plate help us to discern and realize God's call for The American Cathedral in Paris. Please use the Offering Envelope for gifts by cash or check. To make gifts via the "virtual, electronic" offering plate, please scan this QR code or visit amcathparis.com/donate.



#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Were you there when they crucified my Lord? William Buthod (Setting 2007)

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when the sun refused to shine? Were you there when He rose up from the grave? Glory! Sometimes it causes me to tremble. [Text: traditional African-American Spiritual]

All are invited to stand and sing, as able.

AT THE PRESENTATION 474, "When I survey the wondrous cross" ROCKINGHAM

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer C)

Celebrant God be with you. People And also with you. Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Celebrant

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and

praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of

interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this

fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and

blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we

turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages

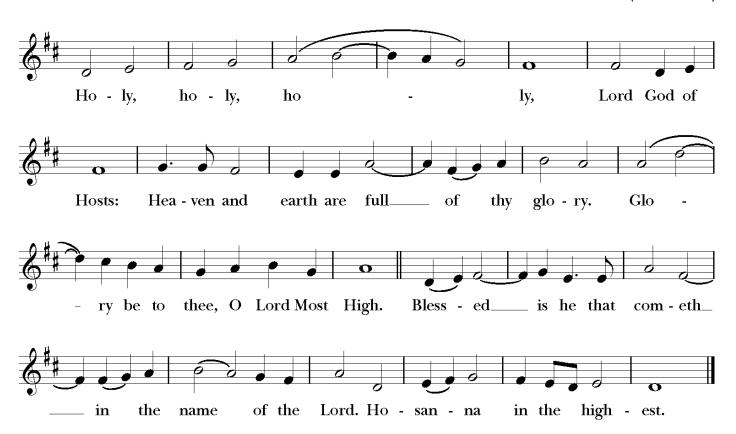
you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us

the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

#### The Celebrant continues

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

#### The Celebrant continues

Lord God of our Holy and Righteous Forebears; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

#### The Celebrant continues

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, said by all in their own language

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. but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. And lead us not into temptation, Et ne nous soumets pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal. Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.



## Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### THE COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale.

ALL are welcome to share in the Eucharist, the feast of the Lord's Supper. Communion is administered today at the altar rail.

You are invited to kneel or stand at the altar rail. In either case, please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. The wine follows; please drink from the cup as it is extended to you. We are not allowed to permit dipping the host in the chalice.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available for those who need them. Please ask the priest who is distributing bread at communion.

Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew. Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

#### **COMMUNION ANTHEMS:**

Ah, holy Jesus

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

arr. Richard Shepherd (b. 1949)

## Sung by the Choirs for Youth and Children

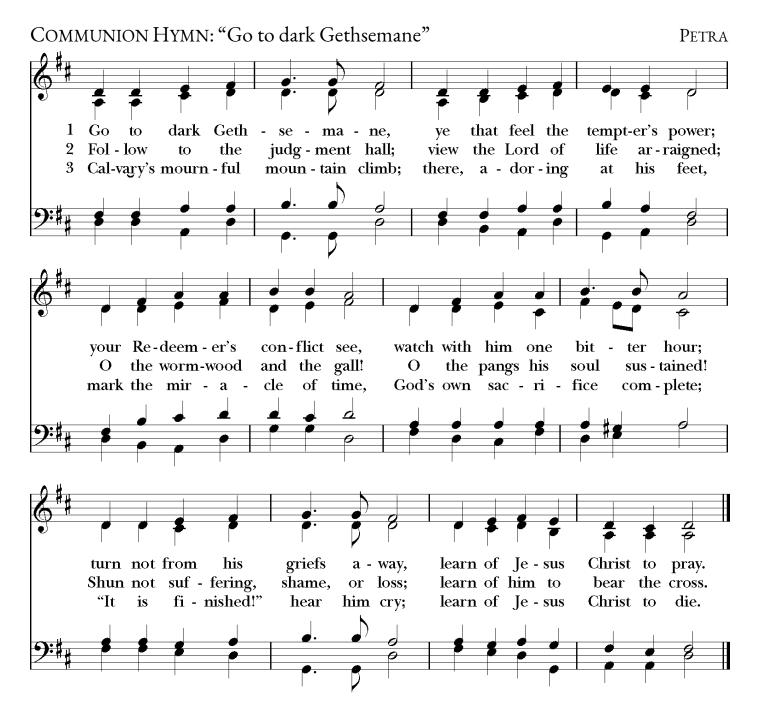
Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended, that man to judge thee hath in hate pretended? By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted. Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus hath undone thee. 'Twas I Lord, Jesus, I it was denied thee: I crucified thee. Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I will adore thee, and will ever pray thee, think on thy pity, and thy love unswerving; not my deserving. [Text: Johann Heermann (1585-1647); trans. Robert Seymour Bridges]

# Traditional isiXhosa arranged by Michael Barrett and Ralf Schmitt

#### Sung by the Choir in isiXhosa

Ngob'umthatile eh umtwana wakho Uhlale nathi hololo helele Indodana ka Nkulunkulu Bayi'bethelela hololo helele Oh Baba!, Baba, Baba Yehova! Baba, hololo, helele

You took Your own son
Who lived amongst us
The Son of God
Was crucified + [A wordless expression of grief]
Oh Father, Jehovah!
Father! [wailing]



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

All are invited to stand, as able, and pray,

Celebrant Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Clergy* Bow down before the Lord.

All are invited to kneel, as able. The Celebrant continues,

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

All are invited to stand, as able.

THE DISMISSAL

Response Thanks be to God.

THE PROCESSION

The congregation departs in silence, observing the solemnity of Holy Week.

The Nave will remain open for quiet prayer following the service.

SERVING TODAY: Preacher and Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Mark Edington; Assisting Priest: The Rev. Canon Hailey Jacobsen; Canon Precentor and Director of Music: Zachary Ullery; Organist: Andrew Dewar; Associate Organist: George Nicholls; Choir: The Cathedral Choir, The Youth Choir, The Children's Choir; Eucharistic Ministers: Patricia Gastaud Gallagher, Barbara Diggs, Kim Powell; Lectors: Jacques Bossonney, Constantin Martel de Créquy, Elisabeth Martel de Créquy, Victoria Jennings, Henry Saba; Livestream Production: Arthur Girard; Photography: Rosie Ward; Ushers: Ann Dushane, Elizabeth Venant; Vestry Members in Charge: Sylvie Botétémé, Kim Powell.

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## Bienvenue and Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

**Contact information** for the clergy, staff and Vestry can be found at <u>amcathparis.com/leadership</u>.

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**Livestreaming:** Please note that we are livestreaming this service. If you do not wish to appear on the livestream, please sit behind the first five pews. Thank you.

**Photography:** Our Communications Manager, Rosie Ward, will be taking photos today to feature in a range of communication materials including, but not limited to, the website, posters, social media etc. If you would prefer not to feature, please send her an email on <a href="mailto:communications@americancathedral.org">communications@americancathedral.org</a>.

# Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Myriam, the Dechelle family, Monique, Leslie, Sergei, Alex, David, Hervé, Elizabeth, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise and Eleanor.

We pray for those who have died, especially Caroline Beaupère and Colene Warren.

We prayer for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine and all areas where there is conflict.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.

In the Convocation Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at <a href="mailto:communications@americancathedral.org">communications@americancathedral.org</a>.

#### Children and Youth

**Nursery Care Available**: Babies, Toddlers, and their noise and exuberance are always welcome in our Cathedral's services! In addition, for any families who would like to use it, nursery care for infants – 3-year-olds is available during our 11:00 a.m. Sunday service from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The Nursery is above the Parish Hall on the second floor by the elevator in the Leo Room.

**Sunday School:** During the school term we meet in the Fleetwood room from 10:45 a.m. to around 11:45 a.m. when Communion is served in the 11:00 a.m. service. All children from ages 3 to 10 years old are welcome to attend. Please contact Andrew Aitken on <a href="mailto:sundayschool@americancathedral.org">sundayschool@americancathedral.org</a> for more information.

**Youth Group:** All youth in grades 6éme/ 6<sup>th</sup> grade through Tle/ 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome at Youth Group. Contact Canon Hailey on <u>canon@americancathedral.org</u> or Youth Leaders Adrien & Mélanie LeSure <u>youth@americancathedral.org</u> for more information.

**Youth Group Easter Day Bake Sale:** Our Youth Group is having a Bake Sale on Easter Day to support their ministry and journey to Frankfurt for Youth Across Europe in May. You can help them by dropping off a Bake Sale item during Holy Week or before the service you are attending on Easter Day - and by purchasing baked goods on Easter Day.

For more information, please contact Canon Hailey (<a href="mailto:canon@americancathedral.org">canon@americancathedral.org</a>).

# Safeguarding

As part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, The American Cathedral in Paris is committed to assuring that all people are treated with respect and that no one is abused, harassed, or taken advantage of in any way. We are especially committed to assuring the safety of children and those adults who may be particularly vulnerable.

We adhere to the Convocation's Safeguarding Policy, and a member of our congregation is appointed as the Safeguarding Officer. If you have any concerns at all, please know that they are available to speak with you.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Angelina Stelmach and William Tompson. Please contact them with any questions or concerns at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@americancathedral.org">safeguarding@americancathedral.org</a>.

# Holy Week 2024: Create in us a New Heart

Please join us online and in person for Holy Week for the following services in addition to our regular services. Everyone is welcome. Please note that the Cathedral will be closed during the week **April 1st- 6th.** The Cathedral will remain open for AA meetings and for the Célébration Eucharistique (MEFR) on April 6th.

## Wednesday, March 27th: Prayer with The Rainbow Ministry (in person only)

• 9:00 a.m. | Morning Prayer 9:00 p.m. | Contemplation and

• 12:00 p.m. | Noonday Prayer Compline

• 6:00 p.m. | Evening Prayer

## Maundy Thursday | Thursday, March 28th

• 7:30 p.m. | Holy Eucharist with washing of feet (online and in person)

## Good Friday | Friday, March 29th

• 12:00 p.m. | Sung Passion with Communion from the Reserved Sacrament (online and in person)

# Saturday, March 30th

• 8:00 p.m. | Easter Vigil (online and in person). Join us for drinks and canapés after the service. (Please note that incense will be used during this service)

## Easter Day | Sunday, March 31st

- 9:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (in person only)
- 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist (online and in person) | After the 11:00 a.m. service: Easter Egg Hunt (for children aged 10 years and under- no reservation require

# Good Friday Offering, special online concert to support Middle East ministries

As The Episcopal Church's Good Friday Offering prepares to mark 102 years, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry invites the whole church to an afternoon of sacred music and collective giving to support siblings in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

The concert will air online at **3:00 p.m. ET March 29th** on The Episcopal Church's <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>website</u>. Viewers will have the opportunity to make donations during the event to go toward the offering, also frequently gathered by churches during Good Friday services.

"We will not forget those caught in the crossfire between warring factions in the land where our Lord walked," Curry writes in his <u>annual Lent letter</u> to Episcopal churches. "As we mark our Lord's passion and death on Good Friday, we remember those whom he loves facing injustice and oppression today, and remember the urgency of love—true, sacrificial love."

# Call for Vestry Nominations

**Do you feel called to serve as member of Vestry?** Would you care to nominate a fellow parishioner? Please give it your generous and prayerful consideration. It's not always an easy job, but it is a worthy, transformative one and essential to the life of our Cathedral.

Our parish Vestry meets once a month (currently on the third Tuesday), with an occasional special meeting at other times as necessary.

The Vestry is responsible for the legal and financial health of the parish; they act as stewards of the church finances and property, approve the budget, provide for the maintenance of the buildings, and assure that the operations of the parish conform to legal requirements and best practices. Vestry members must be:

- at least 16 years old,
- a pledging member of the Cathedral,
- an active member of the parish,
- willing to listen, learn and lead
- have the best interests of the whole parish at heart

Polls for Vestry elections open on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. All pledging members are eligible to vote electronically for five Vestry candidates who will each serve a three-year term. The election results will be announced at the Annual General Meeting of the Cathedral, to be held on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please get in touch with a member of the Nominating Committee before **Friday, April** 12<sup>th</sup>, at agm@americancathedral.org to find out more about the election, or nominate yourself or a fellow parishioner.

Yours in Christ,

Matt Christensen, Andrew Kluetz, Adrien Lesure, Jocelyn Phelps, Angelina Stelmach Blundell

Nominating Committee 2024

# Music Notes | A Multitude of Voices

To create a fuller and more inclusive picture of the richness of our musical heritage, we will be exploring music composed by women, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color), and other historically under-represented composers.

The African-American spiritual, *Ride on, King Jesus*, was arranged by Moses Hogan (1957-2003). Hogan was an African-American composer and arranger of choral music. He was best known for his settings of spirituals. Hogan was a pianist, conductor, and arranger of international renown. His works are celebrated and performed by high school, college, church, community, and professional choirs today. Over his lifetime, he published 88 arrangements for voice, eight of which were solo pieces.

The offertory anthem, *Were you there when they crucified my Lord?* is a traditional African-American spiritual arranged by former American Cathedral Assistant Organist, **William Buthod.** Buthod currently serves as Minister of Music at Holy Trinity Parish in Decatur, Georgia, as Chapel Organist at the Candler School of Theology (Emory University), and founder and director of Voices Found, a community choir focused on social action. As a performer, Buthod has won numerous competitions and awards and has performed with or recorded for such artists as Jimmy Heath, Denyce Graves, Jay-Z, Alicia Keys, and Roland Carter. With a gospel music background, Buthod earned a spot as pianist for the Harlem Gospel Choir and has played for such well-known preachers as Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson, Timothy Wright, James A. Forbes Jr., Johnny Ray Youngblood, and Albert Jamison, Jr. As a composer, he has composed over 300 works, from classical trios to R&B tunes, which are performed regularly throughout the country and abroad.

Indodana, heard during communion, is a traditional isiXhosa song which has been arranged for choral performance by South African composers Michael Barrett and Ralf Schmitt. The lyrics, translated into English, are: "The Lord has taken his son who lived amongst us. The Son of the Lord God was crucified. Father Jehovah". In the midst of this text is a sound of wailing and grieving. Indodana was arranged by Michael Barrett, Director of Choral Activities at the University of Pretoria and Ralf Schmitt who conducts the Ndlovu Youth Choir.

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An enormous thank you to the over 140 households who have so far pledged to support our Cathedral in 2024! We are still trying to reach our goal of over 180 pledging households. We need everyone to join in at every size pledge to make sure we can do everything we hope in 2024. There is still time to pledge!



To learn more, email Canon Hailey at <u>canon@americancathedral.org</u> or Stewardship Co-Chairs Anne Pouret and Chris Barnes on <u>pledge@americancathedral.org</u>.

## Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux** (LDM) **and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV



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Please join Les Arts George V **this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.** for their free concert series, **Les Dimanches Musicaux**. To accompany you on your musical journey to Vienna, musicians Priscille Lachat-Sarrete and Anna Guyénot have formed an inspired and virtuoso duo since 2013 playing works by Beethoven, Schubert and Kreisler. For more information, please visit <a href="https://lagv.org/">https://lagv.org/</a>. All are welcome. No reservation needed.

There's plenty going on at the Cathedral, both in person and online for **Holy Week**. Please see page 22 for more details or visit our website. All are welcome. No reservation required.

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