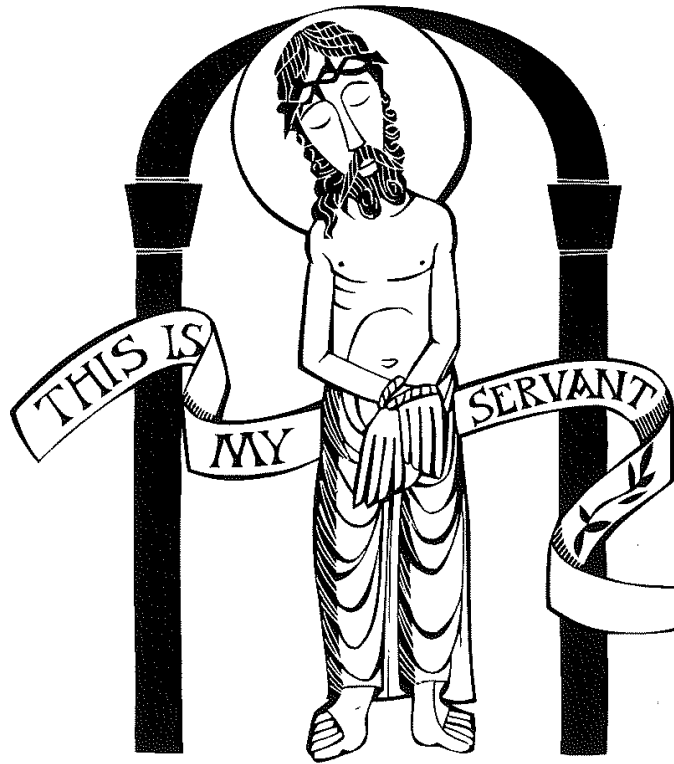


# Grace & Holy Trinity Church

*an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park*



## Good Friday

Year A

### Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

April 3, 2026 | 12:00 p.m.

### Welcome

**Welcome to Grace & Holy Trinity.** We hope you will find a community here with us, whether you are a college student, Richmond newcomer, out-of-towner, or a long-time resident looking for a new church home. **If you are visiting,** please fill out the **Connect Card** from the Connect Table and place it in the offering plate during the service. A wonderful **nursery** staff is available from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. should you wish to drop off your young children (up to age 3) during worship. **Changing tables** are located in the family restroom in the choir room. A greeter can direct you. Information about **complimentary Sunday parking** can be found on the back of this bulletin.

*Please silence your devices and prepare to stand as the ministers and the Quartet Choir enter in silence.*

*Kneel as you are able as the liturgy begins.*

*Celebrant* Blessed be our God,

**All** For ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Collect for Good Friday**

*Book of Common Prayer p. 276*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **First Reading**

Isaiah 52:13–53:12

*Lay Reader* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals—so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate. Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction

through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

*Lay Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**All**        **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 69:1–23**

*The Hymnal 1982* S 414 | Robert Knox Kennedy

*Chanted by Quartet*

*Salvum me fac*

Keely Borland, *Soprano* | Abigail Stinnett, *Alto*  
David Maier, *Tenor* | Brendan Landes, *Bass*  
*Quartet*



- 1 Save me, O God, \*  
    for the waters have risen up to my neck.
- 2 I am sinking in deep mire, \*  
    and there is no firm ground for my feet.
- 3 I have come into deep waters, \*  
    and the torrent washes over me.
- 4 I have grown weary with my crying;  
my throat is inflamed; \*  
    my eyes have failed from looking for my God.
- 5 Those who hate me without a cause are more than the hairs  
    of my head;  
my lying foes who would destroy me are mighty. \*  
    Must I then give back what I never stole?
- 6 O God, you know my foolishness, \*  
    and my faults are not hidden from you.
- 7 Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me,  
    Lord GOD of hosts; \*  
let not those who seek you be disgraced because of me,  
    O God of Israel.
- 8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, \*  
    and shame has covered my face. (*continues on next page*)

- 9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, \*  
an alien to my mother's children.
- 10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; \*  
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- 11 I humbled myself with fasting, \*  
but that was turned to my reproach.
- 12 I put on sack-cloth also, \*  
and became a byword among them.
- 13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, \*  
and the drunkards make songs about me.
- 14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, \*  
at the time you have set, O LORD:
- 15 "In your great mercy, O God, \*  
answer me with your unfailing help.
- 16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; \*  
let me be rescued from those who hate me  
and out of the deep waters.
- 17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,  
neither let the deep swallow me up; \*  
do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.
- 18 Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; \*  
in your great compassion, turn to me."
- 19 "Hide not your face from your servant; \*  
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
- 20 Draw near to me and redeem me; \*  
because of my enemies deliver me.
- 21 You know my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor; \*  
my adversaries are all in your sight."
- 22 Reproach has broken my heart, and it cannot be healed; \*  
I looked for sympathy, but there was none,  
for comforters, but I could find no one.
- 23 They gave me gall to eat, \*  
and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.

## Second Reading

Hebrews 10:16–25

*Lay Reader* A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The Holy Spirit testifies saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that

he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Lay Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**All**        **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to St. John**

*John 18:1–19:42*

*The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted. The congregation is seated for the first part of the Passion. The congregation should follow along in the Passion Narrative leaflet. Please make the responses of the congregation and stand at the arrival at Golgotha.*

*Please be seated.*

### **Meditations**

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Hymn**

“Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?” *The Hymnal 1982* #172

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

### **The Solemn Collects**

*Book of Common Prayer* p. 277

*Deacon*    Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life. We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

*Please kneel as you are able.*

*Deacon*    Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service

For all bishops and other ministers

and the people whom they serve

For *Mark, Gayle, and Mark*, our Bishops, and all the people of this diocese

For all Christians in this community

For those about to be baptized, particularly *Graham Fitz-Hugh Mire*.

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Deacon* Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth,  
and for those in authority among them;

For *Donald*, the President of the United States

For the Congress and the Supreme Court

For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations

For all who serve the common good

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Deacon* Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed

For the sick, the wounded, and the disabled

For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish

For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair

For the sorrowful and bereaved

For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger

That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Deacon* Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;

For those who have never heard the word of salvation

For those who have lost their faith

For those hardened by sin or indifference

For the contemptuous and the scornful

For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his disciples

For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others

That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

*Celebrant* Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

*Silence*

*Celebrant* O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The Wooden Cross is brought into the Church.*

**Anthem**

“Ave Verum Corpus” | Stephanie Martin

Keely Borland, *Soprano* | Abigail Stinnett, *Alto* | David Maier, *Tenor* | Brendan Landes, *Bass*

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, which truly suffered,

Sacrificed on the cross for mankind,

From whose pierced side came forth both water and blood:

Be unto us the source of consolation at our last hour.

O sweet, O holy, O Jesu, son of Mary,

Have mercy upon me. Amen.

## The Confession of Sin & Absolution

*Book of Common Prayer p. 360*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**All** Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Book of Common Prayer p. 364*

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea tu Nombre,  
venga tu reino,  
hágase tu voluntad,  
en la tierra como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como también nosotros perdonamos  
a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación  
y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino,  
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,  
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

*Please remain standing, as you are able.*

### **Communion from the Reserved Sacrament**

**All**        **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**  
**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**  
**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

*Celebrant*    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.

*All are invited to come forward to receive the Sacrament. The ministers will distribute communion from the small table located in front of the chancel steps.*

### **The Final Prayer**

*Please stand as you are able. The service concludes with the prayer. **No blessing or dismissal is added.***

*Celebrant*    Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The ministers and the Quartet Choir leave the Church in silence.*

*At the close of the liturgy, please refrain from conversation until you have left the Church in respect for those who may wish to remain in prayer.*

**All are invited to walk the Stations of the Cross at 1:00 p.m. in Monroe Park.  
Please gather on the sidewalk in front of the church.**

#### **Today's Worship Leaders**

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Concelebrant & Preacher*

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Concelebrant & Preacher*

Madeleine Preston, *Preacher*

The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Choirmaster & Organist*

Thomas Pully, Neely Dykshorn, Pam Stevenson, Mary Cay Kollmansperger & Kathy Rolph, *Altar Guild*

Kristin Green, Kathy Wommack & Jane Carlson, *Lay Readers*

Keely Borland, Abigail Stinnett, David Maier, Brendan Landes, *Quartet*

## **Pastoral Care Phone Number**

A Pastoral Care Line is now active for parishioners experiencing a pastoral emergency when the church office is closed. The on-call number is **(804) 322-3758**. Voice and text messages can be left at this number. A pastoral care team member will respond soon.

## **Holy Week**

**Palm Sunday** begins the holiest week in Christianity as we journey to the Holy City with Jesus. We join the people greeting Jesus with palms on the Jerusalem road, then transition into reading the full Passion narrative of Jesus' death. **Maundy Thursday** commemorates the Last Supper, as we gather around our altar table as Jesus did with his disciples. This service ends with the stripping of the altar, clearing our sacred space of ornate items in preparation for the starkness of Good Friday. **Good Friday** commemorates Jesus' death as we move together through the liturgy of how Jesus' love was poured out for the whole world on the cross. The **Stations of the Cross** is another Good Friday tradition of walking and prayer where a group gathers in turn at fourteen stations, each commemorating an event in Jesus' crucifixion. **The Great Vigil** is the first celebration of resurrection and takes place after sundown on Saturday. It gathers us in darkness before lighting a new fire, remembering the light of Christ that defeated death and darkness. We read scriptural stories of God's salvation as this service moves from darkness (death) to new light (life), then celebrate the First Eucharist of Easter. Finally the **Easter** celebrations continue into Sunday morning, often with baptism and the flowering of the cross, reminding us that the instrument of Jesus' death is also for us the Tree of Life.

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## Upcoming Events

- Friday 04/03**     **1:00 p.m.**     **Stations of the Cross** (*Monroe Park*)
- Saturday 04/04**     **7:00 p.m.**     **The Great Vigil of Easter**  
(Livestream Available | *Church*)
- Sunday 04/05**     **9:00 a.m.**     **Easter Day with Baptism\*** (Livestream Available | *Church*)
- Sunday 04/05**     **11:00 a.m.**     **Easter Day Family Service\*** (Livestream Available | *Church*)  
\***No Parish Breakfast** or formation on Easter Day. Coffee hour with refreshments under our tent in Monroe Park.
- Sunday 04/05**     **12:30 p.m.**     Easter Egg Hunt (*Monroe Park*)
- Monday 04/06**                             Parish Office Closure Begins in Observance of Easter  
(Concludes on April 10th)
- Saturday 04/11**     **9:00 a.m.**     Holy Strollers walks The Fan (*Meet at GHTC Parking Lot*)
- Sunday 04/12**     **9:30 a.m.**     Adult Forum: Parish Listening Session (Also Available following Worship at 12:00 p.m. | *First Floor Classroom & Library*)
- Saturday 04/18**     **5:00 p.m.**     Front Porch Forum Dinner (Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. | *Parish Hall*)
- Sunday 04/19**     **9:30 a.m.**     Mission/Outreach Spotlight: The Pace Center (*First Floor Classroom*)
- Sunday 04/19**     **11:45 a.m.**     Red Door Student Volunteer Recognition  
(During Coffee Hour | *Parish Hall*)
- Sunday 04/24–04/25**                     WomanKind with Lisa Sharon Harper  
(*St. James's Episcopal Church, 1205 W. Franklin Street*)
- Sunday 04/26**     **10:30 a.m.**     **Confirmation & Holy Eucharist with Baptism and Bishop's Visit\***  
(Livestream Available | *Church*) \***Reminder:** Reception to follow in Parish hall. Swap Meet in Monroe Park from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday 04/29**                     **Reminder: 11:00 a.m. Healing Service is Cancelled**
- Sunday 05/03**     **10:30 a.m.**     **Holy Eucharist** with *Mass No. 3 in B-flat Major* by Franz Schubert\*  
(Livestream Available | *Church*) \*Reception to follow in Parish Hall.
- Sunday 05/03**     **5:00 p.m.**     Acolyte End of the Year Cookout (RSVP Online | *Melton Family Home*)

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