

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**Maundy Thursday Service**  
**March 28, 2024 7:00 pm**

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## **Welcome GUESTS & VISITORS!**

*We are glad you are here. If you are new to St. Thomas, stop by the Welcome table in the lobby and identify yourself to our clergy and people so we may properly welcome you. You may also fill out an “I’m New” card located on the backs of the chairs in the church. If you need assistance with the order of service, feel free to ask the person next to you.*

*Auditory Assistance is available – ask an usher or a greeter to obtain a hearing device.*

*To request prayers, please fill out the “Pray” card located on the backs of the chairs. We invite you to list your specific concerns and leave them in the offering plate, bring to the church office, or hand to one of the clergy. Prayers of the People are written weekly. They are offered for three weeks, but any request may be resubmitted as needed.*

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# Liturgy of the Word

## Opening Music

## *Forty Days and Forty Nights*



1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;  
2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,  
3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!  
4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;  
5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;



1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.  
2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?  
3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!  
4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.  
5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## A Reading from the book of Exodus - Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. [<sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader    The Word of the Lord.

People    ***Thanks be to God.***



**Psalm - Psalm 116:1, 10-17**

***<sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.***

***<sup>10</sup> How shall I repay the LORD \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?***

***<sup>11</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.***

***<sup>12</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people.***

***<sup>13</sup> Precious in the sight of the LORD \*  
is the death of his servants.***

***<sup>14</sup> O LORD, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.***

***<sup>15</sup> I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.***

***<sup>16</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people,***

***<sup>17</sup> In the courts of the LORD's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!***

**The Epistle - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

<sup>23</sup>I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

## The Gospel - John 13:1-17, 31b-35

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*Response* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>1</sup>Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

<sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

<sup>31b</sup>"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

## The Foot Washing

*The Celebrant then says*

Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: On the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the Kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. We all need to remember his example, but none stand more in need of this reminder than those whom the Lord has called to the ordained ministry.



Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

## Hymns

### *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* Music Team Trios

Ken Medema

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

### *If You Love Me (Keep My Commandments)*

Lloyd Larson

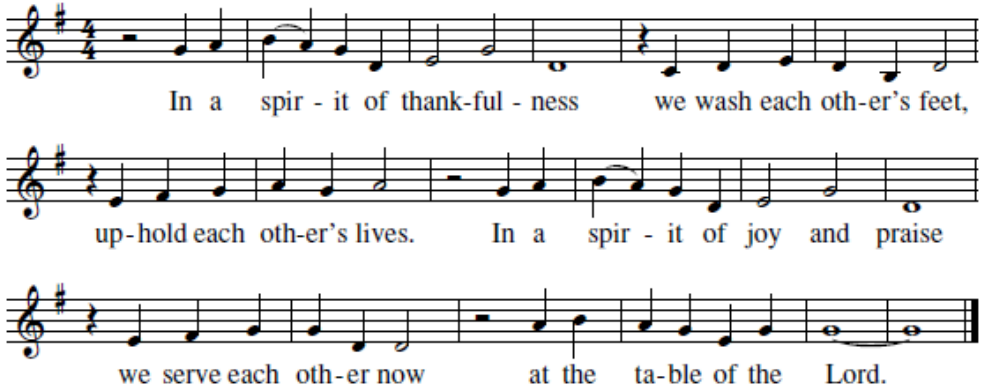
*Sing Gently*  
Praise Band

Eric Whitacre

*Serving You*

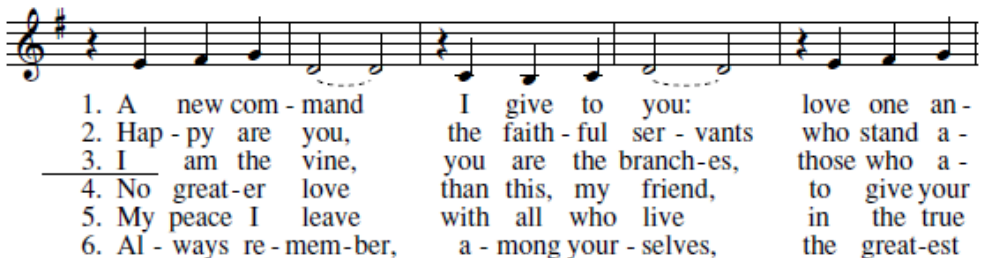
Michel Guimont

Refrain

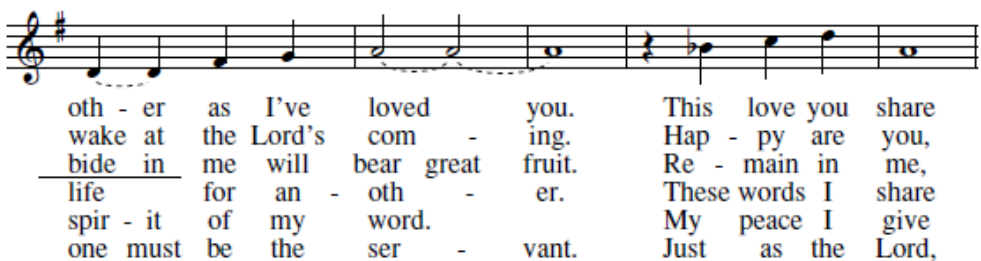


In a spir - it of thank - ful - ness we wash each oth - er's feet,  
up - hold each oth - er's lives. In a spir - it of joy and praise  
we serve each oth - er now at the ta - ble of the Lord.

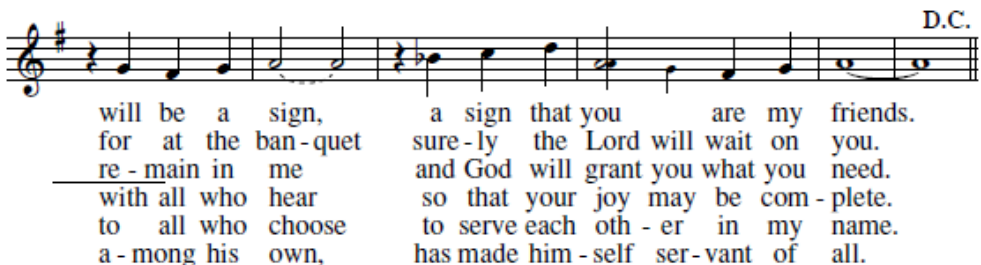
Verses



1. A new com - mand I give to you: love one an -  
2. Hap - py are you, the faith - ful ser - vants who stand a -  
3. I am the vine, you are the branch - es, those who a -  
4. No great - er love than this, my friend, to give your  
5. My peace I leave with all who live in the true  
6. Al - ways re - mem - ber, a - mong your - selves, the great - est



oth - er as I've loved you. This love you share  
wake at the Lord's com - ing. Hap - py are you,  
bide in me will bear great fruit. Re - main in me,  
life for an - oth - er. These words I share  
spir - it of my word. My peace I give  
one must be the ser - vant. Just as the Lord,



will be a sign, a sign that you are my friends.  
for at the ban - quet sure - ly the Lord will wait on you.  
re - main in me and God will grant you what you need.  
with all who hear so that your joy may be com - plete.  
to all who choose to serve each oth - er in my name.  
a - mong his own, has made him - self ser - vant of all.

D.C.



## Prayers of the People

*All remain standing.*

Presider or Deacon We pray to you O Lord,

*Music Response after each petition:*

Refrain *mp*

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

yond my fears, from death in - to

yond my fears, from death to

To verses 1, 2, 3, 5 To verse 4

life. life.

life. life.

## Confession of Sin

*Remain standing. The Deacon or Priest then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Minister and People*

***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.***

*The Priest stands and says*

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.**

## **Peace**

*All stand.*

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

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# Holy Communion

## Offertory Music

## *Our Father, We Have Wandered*

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of four systems. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered and hid - den from your face;  
2 And now at length dis - cern - ing the e - vil that we do,  
3 O Lord of all the liv - ing, both ban - ished and re - stored,  
in fool - ish - ness have squan - dered your leg - a - cy of grace.  
be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing with hope and trust to you.  
com - pas - sion - ate, for - giv - ing, and ev - er - car - ing Lord,  
But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, we rise with fear and shame,  
In haste you come to meet us and home re - joic - ing bring,  
grant now that our trans - gress - ing, our faith - less - ness may cease.  
as, dis - tant but com - pel - ling, we hear you call our name.  
in glad - ness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.  
Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, in par - don, and in peace.

## Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.  
People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

### *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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.***

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

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

### **Sanctus**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
power 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 as able.*

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

## The Lord's Prayer

*People and Celebrant*

*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

*A period  
of silence  
is kept.*

*Congregation:*      *Congregation or Assistant:*

Lamb of God,      you take a - way the sin of the  
you break the chains of ha - tred and  
you are the way of jus - tice and  
you are the way of mer - cy and

*Congregation:*

world:      have mer - cy on us,      mer - cy on us,  
fear:  
peace:  
love.

**Final Stanza**  
*Congregation or Assistant:*

mer - cy      on      us.      Lamb of God,      you

*Congregation:*

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

*The Celebrant may say*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*We invite everyone who has been baptized by water in any Christian tradition to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.*

*If you have a wheat allergy, please tell one of the clergy administering communion and we will see that you receive a rice wafer instead.*

**Communion Music** *When You Prayed Beneath the Trees*

Idle & Larson

Chancel Choir

Scott Bradley, soloist Meribeth Risebig, oboist

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

***Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.***

### **Solemn Prayer**

*In Lent, in place of a seasonal blessing, a solemn Prayer over the People is used.*

Deacon or Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says the following prayer.*

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.**

### **Stripping of the Altar**



Closing Music

Stay Here and Keep Watch

Jacques Berthier

Verses: Cantor/Choir  
Refrain: ALL congregation

Refrain:



Stay here and keep watch with me. The hour has come.



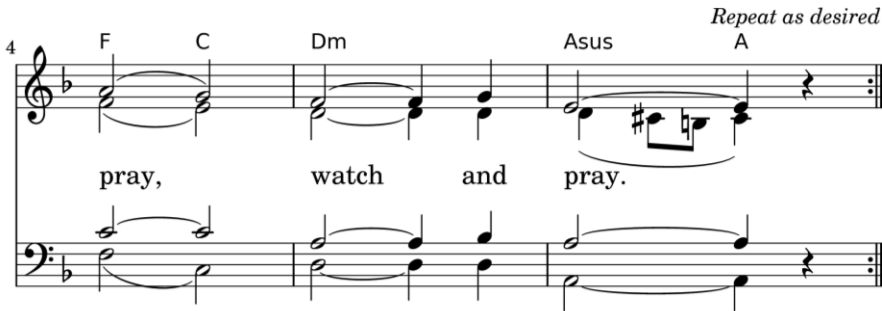
Stay here and keep watch with me. Watch and pray.

Stay with Me

Taize



Stay with me, re-main here with me; watch and



pray, watch and pray.

Tonight's service is very solemn. Every participant should approach the night as if he/she were a disciple at table with Jesus before his crucifixion. Following the last hymn, everything in the nave is removed. This symbolizes the way that Jesus was stripped of his clothing and led away to the cross to die. The altar guild then washes the altar, the first step before a sacrifice is offered. The service concludes as a large cross is brought into the room. During this time some may wish to kneel, pray, and think about what Jesus did so that we might have life eternal. The purpose of the liturgy is to focus on Jesus' supreme act of self-sacrifice. The mood is stark, dramatic and powerful.

No words spoken or music played after the closing hymn.

Tonight, you may wish to spend time in prayer.



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## **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES**

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### **Good Friday – March 29**

Stations of the Cross – Noon

Good Friday Solemn Liturgy – 7:00 pm

**Easter Vigil Holy Communion – March 30 – 5:30 pm**

### **Easter Sunday Holy Communion – March 31**

Sunrise Service – 6:30 am

Apostle's Garden (inside if inclement weather)

8:45am and 11:00am

*Nursery Care is available on Sunday from 8:15am – 12:15pm  
for children ages 6 months through 4 years.*

*Children's Chapel will be available during the 8:45 and 11:00 services.*

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