

Do this
until you can hear
the spaces within
your own breathing.
Do this
until you can feel
the hollow in your heart
where something
is letting go,
where something
is making way.

A portion of the poem "Blessings that Becomes Empty as it Goes" by Jan Richardson in her book Circle of Grace.



**The Sunday of the Passion:
Palm Sunday**
March 13, 2015 10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

To Our Visitors
Welcome to St. Paul's Church.

We invite you to share with us the bread and wine which we believe to be the body of Christ. We sincerely hope that you will visit us again and consider making St. Paul's your church home. Please take a moment and sign our guestbook.

CRITICAL LIST AS OF 3.13:

Kevin Brawley, Bill Bonwit, Richard Van Y, Vic Simpson, Robin Henshaw, Marilyn Tarr, Robert Chalmers, Barbara Stinnett, John & Felice Holmes, Laura Marchand, Phillip Cahill, Kathy Bristow, Greg Quinn, Edna Wittig, Julie Keesee, Tom Rymer Jr., Cheryle Holmes, The Lumley-True Family, Ellen Quinn, David Spaulding, Joan Columbo, Catie Spaulding, Linda Santiff, Wesley Hall, Glenn Horsmon, Jeff Youngblood, Johnny Hill, David Hall.

LONG TERM LIST AS OF 3.13:

Susie Boss, Stovy Brown, Terry Schreiber, Heather Cook, Gene Edward, Abby Leach, Mitzi Poole, Ruth Stange, Buddy Tarr, Christ Church, Les Pratt, Audrey Evans, Jack Corey, Vivian Due, Audrey Drennen, George Edsall, Christine Appel-Bucierka, Sherry Santana, Mary Evelyn Pineault, Sandy White, Hunter Gray, Kenneth Wilson, Nancy Porter, Bob Tylicki, Daniel Armiger, Rebecca Englund, Marlane DeMara, Susie Hance-Wells, Gus Rotelle, Bill Bonwit.

We give thanks for the life of Wes Wubbenhorst and pray for his family, friends and Diocesan family in their grief.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, our own Bishops Eugene & Chilton and The Diocesan Staff. We pray also for the Vestry and The Staff of St. Paul's. We pray for Barack our President, Larry our Governor and all those who serve the common good.

We pray for all members of the Armed Forces, especially Drew Beard, Rachel Berry, Graham & Landon Cheban, Julia Croft, Ryan Croft, Michael Freimarck, Jesse Howell, Paris Jones & Jason Duncan, Shiraz Kahn, Alan and Clare Linley, Michael Overfelt, Pete Santos, David Spalding, Danny Wilkins, James Wold, Brian Woolsey, and Katy Broom.

We pray for parents-to-be: Tonya (Tarr) & Will Aguilar and give thanks for the birth of Edward Charles Hedding, IV, born to Becky and Edw. Hedding & Grandmother, Beth Cornelison.

We hold hope for the nations of Iraq, Syria, the City of Baltimore and all places at home and abroad where there is violence and suffering. We pray for the people in the Middle East who are fleeing the conflicts.

In addition, we give thanks for all of those celebrating milestones this month:

March Birthdays: Joel Signor (03/20), Brian Lusby (03/21), Jeff Walker (03/24), Mike King (03/30).

Blessing That Comes Empty as it Goes

Come and sit
in this place
made holy
by its hollows.
You think you have
too much to do,
too little time,
too great a weight
of responsibility
that none but you
can carry.

I tell you,
lay it down.
Just for a moment,
if that's what you
can manage at first.
Five minutes.
Lift up your voice-
in laughter,
in weeping,
it does not matter-
and let it ring against
these spacious walls.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) **March 23-** Lenten Family Potluck and Bible Study. All Sunday School & Youth Group @ 6 pm.
- 2) **March 24-** Maundy Thursday Service at 7 pm.
- 3) **March 25-** Good Friday Services at Noon and 7 pm - Youth Group fills eggs and eats pizza!
- 4) **March 26-** Holy Saturday Service at 7 pm.
- 5) **March 27-** Easter Services at 8 am and 10 am ☐Easter Egg Hunt after the 10 am service.
- 6) **April 2-** Cleaning of the basement and the Duke room will start at 10 am. If you have a pick-up trucks please bring it so we can make a dump run.
- 7) **April 3-** There will be training for counting the money after the 10 am service.
- 8) **April 16-** Dinner Dance 2 4 U Band at St. Paul's.
- 9) **April 22** – Pictures for the church directory will be taken in the Great Hall from 2 pm to 9 pm.
- 10) **April 23** - Pictures for the church directory will be taken in the Great Hall from 10 am to 5pm.

The palms on the altar are given by Josephine Bowen in loving memory of Wesley Bowen

Thanks go out to Melissa Davis and Carley Barret for sharing their talents.

The palms for the congregation are a gift of Rausch Funeral Home.

Service Notes

*The congregation gathers in the Parish House for the Liturgy of the Palms. Through the readings and with our palms we join the crowd in Jerusalem in singing **Hosanna – God save us!** But too quickly we find ourselves shouting for Christ's crucifixion, admitting thereby, our guilt and complicity with the forces of evil, which seek to destroy God's goodness found in the Son of God. In the reading of the Passion we recapture the entire sweep of events from Jesus' arrest to his trial, execution, and burial. The music, words and images provide a gateway to this most Holy Week, taking us from the peak of Jesus' popularity to the end. (Please take a palm branch from the basket.)*

The Liturgy of the Palms

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

Luke 19:28-40

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."

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Confitemini Domino

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! *
LORD, send us now success.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
we bless you from the house of the LORD.
- 27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

TODAY'S SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S		
10:00 am	ACOLYTE	Clare Prouty-Due
	LECTORS	Nancy Porter (L), Christy Oliff (L), Joel Davis (L), Maureen Donn (L)
	READERS OF THE GOSPEL	Michael Vilcheck, Meredith Prouty-Due, Ken Brown, Millie Miller, Judy Smack
	CHALICISTS	Terry Schreiber & Nancy Porter
	USHERS	Jay & Maureen Donn
	TORCHBEARERS	Samantha Smith & Madyson Jones
	GREETER	Maribeth Wilkins
	HOSPITALITY	The Boynton ☐
	VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	Buddy Tarr
	ALTAR GUILD	Barbara Brown & Virginia Rose Wood

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY -- If there is an emergency or pastoral need, please do not hesitate to contact Joanna White at 443-223-0913 (C) or the Parish office during business hours at 410-535-2897. Joanna may also be reached by e-mail at joannawhite@comcast.net.

Ministers of This Church	The People of St. Paul ☐
Clergy	Joanna White, Interim Rector The Rt. Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton & The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen, Bishops of Maryland
Music Director	Susan Yoe
Parish Administrator	Tammy Witt
Youth Minister	Wendy Jones
Sunday School Staff	Peter Dyro, Wendy Jones, Elizabeth Prouty-Due, Meredith Prouty-Due, Tracy Zeeger, Megan Jones, Kathryn Marsh, Susan Vilcheck.
Superintendent	Michelle Dyro
Vestry Officers	Ken Brown, Rector ☐ Warden; Mike King, Church Warden; Jack Smack, Junior Warden; Pauline Wightman, Treasurer
Vestry Members	Amber Hance, Joel Davis, Bill Santiff, Tammy Witt, Cheryl Hall, Linda Santiff, Karen Smith, Art Wittig, Dana Krohnert, Buddy Tarr
Financial Assistant	Janis Hurst
Registrar	Linda Santiff

The Epistle

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

The people are seated for the first part of the Passion

The Homily

Joanna White

The Peace

Offertory Anthem

Saw ye my Savior? (Johnson)

The Choir

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, 361

Sanctus

S-130

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

S-164

Communion Hymn

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
O Wheat Whose Crushing Was For Bread*

Hymnal, 474

WLP, 760

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, 365

Closing Hymn

O Sacred Head Sore Wounded

Hymnal, 168

The Dismissal

Postlude

"Ah, Holy Jesus" (Brahms)

29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant then says the following blessing

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.*

THE PROCESSION

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.

During the procession, the congregation holds branches in their hands, making their way into the Church.

Anthem

(Hebrew Version)
*Hoshiana, Hoshiana, Baruch Habba.
Bashem adonai, Hoshiana*
(All join after 1st singing)

*Translation: Hosanna, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Intrada on "All Glory, Laud and Honor" (played while the congregation takes their seats after the procession). When everyone is in place, the opening hymn is sung.

Opening Hymn

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Hymnal, 154

The people standing, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray

Collect for 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.*

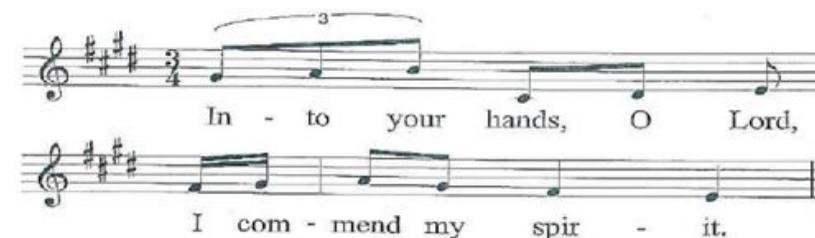
THE LESSONS

First Reading

Isaiah 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?

Psalm 31:9-16 (*The congregation is invited to sing on the refrain*)



- 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."

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