



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025, 8 a.m.

***Welcome:** If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home. To do so, please fill out one of the pew cards in front of you and drop it in the offertory plate.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

All stand as the procession enters the Cathedral.

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

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 19:28-40

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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

on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

All raise their palm branches as the Celebrant says the following blessing

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou hast redeemed us through thy 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 liveth and reigneth in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord.
People **Hosanna in the highest.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE 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?

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 31:9-16 *In te, Domine, speravi*

**Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
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.
I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.
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.
But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, “You are my God.
My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.”**

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation sits and reads the congregation’s portions printed in bold.

Narrator: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Narrator: When the hour for the Passover meal came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them,

Jesus: “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.”

Narrator: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,

Jesus: “Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”

Narrator: Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

Jesus: “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Narrator: And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying,

Jesus: “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!”

Narrator: Then they began to ask one another, which one of them it could be who would do this. A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them,

Jesus: “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them

are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

“You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

“Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”

Narrator: And he said to him,
Simon: “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!”

Narrator: Jesus said,
Jesus: “I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.”

Narrator: He said to them,
Jesus: When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?”

Narrator: They said,
Disciples: “No, not a thing.”

Narrator: He said to them,
Jesus: “But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, ‘And he was counted among the lawless’; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.”

Narrator: They said,
Disciples: “Lord, look, here are two swords.”

Narrator: He replied,
Jesus: “It is enough.”

Narrator: He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

Jesus: “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

Narrator: Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed,

Jesus: “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.”

Narrator: Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,

Jesus: “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

Narrator: While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,

Jesus: “Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?”

Narrator: When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

Disciples: “Lord, should we strike with the sword?”

Narrator: Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

Jesus: “No more of this!”

Narrator: And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

Jesus: “Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!”

Narrator: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest’s house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,

Servant-girl: “This man also was with him.”

Narrator: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: “Woman, I do not know him.”

Narrator: A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

Person: “You also are one of them.”

Narrator: But Peter said,

Peter: “Man, I am not!”

Narrator: Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,

Person 2: “Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.”

Narrator: But Peter said,

Peter: “Man, I do not know what you are talking about!”

Narrator: At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, “Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

Guards: “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?”

Narrator: They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

Congregation: **“If you are the Messiah, tell us.”**

Narrator: He replied,

Jesus: “If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”

Narrator: All of them asked,

Congregation: **“Are you, then, the Son of God?”**

Narrator: He said to them,

Jesus: “You say that I am.”

Narrator: Then they said,

Congregation: **“What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!”**

Narrator: Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

Congregation: **“We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.”**

Narrator: Then Pilate asked him,

Pilate: “Are you the king of the Jews?”

Narrator: He answered,

Jesus: “You say so.”

Narrator: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

Pilate: “I find no basis for an accusation against this man.”

Narrator: But they were insistent and said,

Congregation: **“He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.”**

Narrator: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

Pilate: “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

Narrator: Then they all shouted out together,

Congregation: **“Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”**

Narrator: (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

Congregation: **“Crucify, crucify him!”**

Narrator: A third time he said to them,

Pilate: “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.”

Narrator: But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus: “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Narrator: Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

The congregation stands.

Narrator: When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

Jesus: “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”

Narrator: And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

Congregation: **“He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”**

Narrator: The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

Soldiers: “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

Narrator: There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

Criminal 1: “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

Narrator: But the other rebuked him, saying,

Criminal 2: “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”

Narrator: Then he said,

Criminal 2: “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Narrator: He replied,

Jesus: “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Narrator: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

Jesus: “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

Narrator: Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

Centurion: “Certainly this man was innocent.”

Narrator: And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

THE SERMON

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit**

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*At this time ushers collect an offering from the congregation.
Use the QR code to make a plate offering.*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world...

...By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

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.

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

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will direct you to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.
Celebrant and People
Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant prays over the people, saying,

Bow down before the Lord.

Almighty God, we pray thee graciously to behold this thy 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 liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

✠ ALTAR GIFTS ✠

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DAVID D. AND ADOLPHINE FLETCHER TERRY, DR. MERLIN J. AND ELIZABETH PENICK KILBURY,
WILLIAM L. AND ELIZABETH KILBURY TERRY AND ELLEN FLETCHER TERRY
BY SUSAN TERRY BORNE AND FAMILY

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PEARCE WILSON
BY MARY WILSON

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR
THE BIRTHDAY IF MY SISTER BARBARA ACKER PENICK MCNAMEE
BY MARY PENICK HODGES

LITURGICAL LEADERS

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Danny Schieffler, <i>Interim Vicar</i>
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. Canon Dr. Christoph Keller, III
<i>Assisting Clergy</i>	The Rev. Thomas Alexander, <i>Curate</i>
<i>Lectors</i>	Judy Barger, Ken Dick
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister</i>	Judy Barger

Trinity News

Holy Week Meditation: Pergolesi *Stabat Mater*

Today at 4 pm

Sung by the sopranos and altos of the Trinity Schola with members of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra

Memorials for Easter

On Easter Sunday, the Cathedral is decorated with flowers given by parishioners in honor or in memory of loved ones, and these memorials are listed in the service booklets. Donations of any amount are welcome. To arrange a memorial, contact Missy McCain, Parish Administrator (missy@trinitylittlerock.org) no later than Monday at 9 am.

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 20 following the 9 a.m. service.

Cathedral Garth

This year we are trying something new! To help keep our egg hunting fair (and sustainable), plan to bring your gathered eggs at the end of the hunt and trade them in for a bag of Easter treats! As always, bring your own basket but we will have extras in case you forget.

Earth Day Banquet

In collaboration with The Interfaith Center

Tuesday April 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Come join us on Earth Day for a music, prayer, and a ritual meal celebrating Creation. We will gather at the Interfaith Center and end in Treadway Garden at Trinity. The program will include a shared meal, time for reflection, and blessing of a newly planted tree and The Broadway Community Garden.

This event is open to all at no cost, but registration is required. Let us know you are coming by emailing Jack Dowling (jack@trinitylittlerock.org).

Book Club: *The Reason for God* by Tim Keller

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (beginning April 23)

Conference Room in Keller House

For Easter, Trinity's Book Club will read *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism* by the late Timothy Keller. This book addresses the frequent doubts that skeptics, and even ardent believers, have about religion—a worthwhile read for the Easter season. Tim Keller was hailed as the “C. S. Lewis for the 21st century,” and *The Reason for God* was a *New York Times* bestseller. Copies of *The Reason for God* are available for order at WordsWorth Books with 2–3 day delivery and with a 10% discount available for Trinity Cathedral. To sign up, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

Easter Season Program: The Sacred Feminine

In collaboration with The Interfaith Center

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

After Easter Sunday, there are 6 weeks of the liturgical season of Easter. The name Easter is actually an ancient name for the Great Goddess, who was a deity imbued with the power of creation and new life, two of the primary values of the rising consciousness of the Sacred Feminine in our day. To intentionally observe that time and to offer a balance to the penance of Lent, Trinity and The Interfaith Center will offer an Easter Series of speakers to discuss their encounter and experience with the feminine aspect of God, the conscious role she plays in their lives. The series will be on Wednesday evenings during the Easter Season, April 23-June 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Interfaith Center (Harrison House) unless otherwise noted.

The speakers will be The Rev. Stuart Hoke, the Rev. Joanna Seibert, the Rev. Susan Sims Smith, the Rev. Thomas Alexander, State Sen. Clarke Tucker, Lisa Thorpe - artist and spiritual director, and the Rev. Patricia Matthews and Becky Tucker, coordinators of Spring House. The series will begin with the Earth Day Celebration on April 22. If you have been curious about the feminine aspect of God, please join us.

Bible Study: Romans with Beverly Gaventa

Sundays at 9:15 am (beginning April 27)

Conference Room in Keller House

For Easter, our Sunday morning Bible Study will study Paul's letter to the Romans. During this five-week class, participants are invited to read *When In Romans: An Invitation to Linger* with the Gospel according to Paul, a short, accessible introduction to Romans by one of the world's leading New Testament scholars, Beverly Gaventa. Saint Paul and Dr. Gaventa will be wonderful companions to our Easter season celebrations. Copies of *When in Romans* are available for order at WordsWorth Books with 2–3 day delivery and with a 10% discount available for Trinity Cathedral. To sign up, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

Broadway in Bloom: An event benefiting the Broadway Community Garden
Featuring P. Allen Smith

Sunday, May 4 at 12:30 p.m.

We are honored to welcome one of America’s most recognized garden experts to Morrison Hall to discuss the Power of Pollinators: Orchestrating vegetables, herbs and flowers successfully, followed by a container demonstration and a Q & A. Eventgoers will also get the chance to shop a one-day-only market in the Garth and tour the Broadway Community Garden.

All ticket sales and portions of the market proceeds will go to funding the Broadway Community Garden and its efforts to provide educational opportunities through gardening, promote access to healthy and locally-grown foods, nurture biodiversity, and foster connection.

\$75 registration includes a light lunch.



Register

Mother’s Day Purse Collection

The Matthew 25 Outreach Committee is happy to announce our wonderful Mother’s Day Purse-giving project that benefits so many mothers who, unfortunately, miss out on their special day.

Our goal is to collect 200 purse gifts this year. Please bring your gifts to the Cathedral on Sunday, May 4 for a special blessing of this ministry, or drop your gifts by the Cathedral office if you are unable to attend May 4.

Place your purse and goodies in a gift bag with decorative tissue, ribbon and a Happy Mother’s Day card that a child can sign.

OR, if you’re not a shopper: A monetary gift is welcome (note for Purse Gifts). Send to Trinity Cathedral, 310 W. 17th Street, LR 72206; or, place in the offering.



Holy Week at Trinity

Join us at Trinity as we walk with our Lord toward the cross and resurrection. Regular attendance throughout Holy Week makes Easter Sunday all the more meaningful.

Palm Sunday, April 13

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms and Procession (Cathedral) ^{1 3}

4:00 pm – Holy Week Musical Meditation: Stabat Mater by Pergolesi ¹

Monday in Holy Week, April 14

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Tuesday in Holy Week, April 15

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist with Renewal of Clergy Vows and Blessing of Chrism (Cathedral)

Wednesday in Holy Week, April 16

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

5:30 pm – Community Dinner (Morrison Hall)

6:00 pm – Koinonia with Footwashing

7:00 pm – The Office of Tenebrae (Cathedral) ¹

Maundy Thursday, April 17

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

7:00 pm – Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar (Cathedral) ^{1 3}

Good Friday, April 18

12:00 pm – The Liturgy for Good Friday (Cathedral) ¹

Holy Saturday, April 19

9:00 am – The Liturgy for Holy Saturday (Treadway Garden)

7:00 pm – The Great Vigil of Easter (Cathedral) ^{1 2 3}

Easter Sunday, April 20

7:00 am – Holy Eucharist (Cathedral)

9:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Choir and Strings (Cathedral) ^{1 3}

10:15 am – Easter Egg Hunt (Garth and Treadway Garden)

11:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Choir and Strings (Cathedral) ^{1 2 3}

¹*This service will be livestreamed*

²*Incense will be used at this service*

³*Nursery available*