



ACHS

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT

News

April 2022

COMING EVENTS

April 10—Palm Sunday (beginning of Holy Week), 1:00pm

April 14—Maundy Thursday, 4:30pm

April 15—Good Friday, 4:30pm; 9:00am Stations of the Cross,
Glassford Hill

April 16—Holy Saturday

April 17—Easter Day; 1:00pm

ONGOING EVENTS

Tuesdays, 10:00am—Men's and Women's Groups as announced

Wednesdays, 4:30pm—Faith Studies

Sundays, 1:00pm—Sunday service

FAITH STUDIES

4:30pm soup suppers during Lent

5:00pm study

Holy Week

It is difficult to truly experience the joy of Easter if you do not experience the profound drama and sadness of Holy Week.

Holy Week begins on **Palm Sunday**. Jesus is welcomed into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey, with a parade. The crowd is waving palm branches. It is like a great celebration. (The Jewish people expected a conquering hero who would defeat and throw out the Romans, giving them back their country. It didn't take long for them to see the error of their ways.)

In both Matthew and Mark, the cleansing of the temple occurs during the first part of Holy Week. In all three synoptic gospels, Jesus continues his teaching during the first 3 days after Palm Sunday.

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**SUNDAY
LECTIONARY
(readings)**

**April 3, 5th Sunday in
Lent**

Isaiah 41:16-21
Psalm 126
Philippians 3:7-16
Luke 20:9-19

April 10, Palm Sunday

Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Psalm 22:1-21
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:39—23:56

**April 14, Maundy
Thursday**

Exodus 12:1-14
Psalm 78:15-26
1 Corinthians 11:23-34
John 113:1-15 OR
Luke 22:14-30

April 15, Good Friday

Genesis 22:1-18
Psalm 22:1-21
Hebrews 10:1-25
John 18:1—19:37

April 17, Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:14-17, 22+24
Colossians 3:1-4
Luke 24:1-12

**April 24, Second
Sunday in Easter**

Acts 5:1-2a, 117-22, 25-
29
Psalm 111
Revelation 12:1-19
John 20:19-31

NOTE: Fr. Steve may change the lessons on some Sundays, for sermon or other purposes. These lessons, however, are the standard lessons for these weeks.

Holy Week, continued

Maundy Thursday follows. The word "maundy" comes from the Latin, *mandatum* which means command. Jesus told his followers to "love one another as I have loved you." It is the day when Jesus and his disciples celebrated the Passover, what we now call the Last Supper. This includes the instruction that the wine and bread are the body and blood of Jesus. Jesus and his disciples go to the garden of Gethsemane to pray, but the disciples are unable to stay awake with Jesus. Judas comes with Pharisees and Scribes and Jesus is arrested and taken to Pilate for trial.

Good Friday : The trial ends and Jesus is taken away to be crucified. Jesus cries out to his Father and dies. By tradition, bodies are not left on the cross overnight, so legs are broken of those not yet dead. Jesus, however, has already died and is taken down and placed in a tomb.

Holy Saturday is a quiet day of waiting. It is the Jewish Sabbath and no work is done on this day.

Easter Day: the women go to the tomb to anoint the body and find the tomb empty. Jesus is alive! He has risen! The women find it empty. They run to tell the others that Jesus is gone.

Rejoice, the Lord is Risen.

The Lord is risen indeed!

Gifts to the Church

We appreciate everyone's offerings on Sundays. Thank you for your generous gifts that keep the church going and bills paid.

If, however, you are thinking about giving "an item" to the church, please keep this in mind.

We have limited storage space and we are beginning to amass a collection of different things for the church. While most of these are welcome and can be used in worship or other places, we ask that you check with Fr. Steve or with Sue Piper, Treasurer, before giving these things to the church, to ensure that they are usable by the church.

Along with your gift, we need a copy of the invoice or other documentation of value for insurance purposes, even though we are prohibited, by IRS, from listing the value on a contribution statement. (We can list the item with a description on the statement.)