

St. Mark's  *Episcopal Church*

Palm Sunday Liturgy and Holy Eucharist



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Today we welcome the Reverend Carol Gadsden as our Celebrant and Preacher.

Curtis Searle is our e-verger this week.



THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS - Cooper Hall (See separate sheet for readings and music)



THE WORD OF GOD

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

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.

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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?

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 31:9-16

Leader: Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
People: my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
Leader: For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *
People: my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
Leader: I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
People: when they see me in the street they avoid me.
Leader: I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
People: I am as useless as a broken pot.
Leader: For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; *
People: they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
Leader: But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
People: I have said, "You are my God.
Leader: My times are in your hand; *
People: rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
Leader: Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
People: and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

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 Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

THE PASSION GOSPEL

Mark 14:1--15:47

NARRATOR: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

CHIEF PRIEST: "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

NARRATOR: While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

DISCIPLE 1: "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor."

NARRATOR: And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

JESUS: "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

NARRATOR: Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, Jesus' disciples said,

DISCIPLE 2: "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

JESUS: "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

NARRATOR: So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

JESUS: "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me."

NARRATOR: They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

DISCIPLE 1: "Surely, not I?"

JESUS: "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

NARRATOR: While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

JESUS: "Take; this is my body."

NARRATOR: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it.

JESUS: "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

NARRATOR: When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

JESUS: "You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

NARRATOR: Peter said,

PETER: "Even though all become deserters, I will not."

JESUS: "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."

PETER: "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you."

NARRATOR: And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane;

JESUS: "Sit here while I pray."
NARRATOR: He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated.
JESUS: "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake."
NARRATOR: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.
JESUS: "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."
NARRATOR: He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,
JESUS: "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."
NARRATOR: And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said,
JESUS: "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."
NARRATOR: Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,
JUDAS: "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."
NARRATOR: So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,
JUDAS: "Rabbi!"
NARRATOR: and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.
JESUS: "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."
NARRATOR: All of them deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him,
BYSTANDER 1: "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'"
NARRATOR: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,
CHIEF PRIEST: "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"
NARRATOR: But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,
CHIEF PRIEST: "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?"
JESUS: "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"
NARRATOR: Then the high priest tore his clothes,
CHIEF PRIEST: "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?"
NARRATOR: All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying,
BYSTANDER 2: "Prophesy!"
NARRATOR: The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,
SERVANT GIRL: "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."
NARRATOR: But he denied it,

PETER: "I do not know or understand what you are talking about."
NARRATOR: And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,
SERVANT GIRL: "This man is one of them."
NARRATOR: But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,
BYSTANDER 1: "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean."
NARRATOR: But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,
PETER: "I do not know this man you are talking about."
NARRATOR: At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,
"Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."
And he broke down and wept. As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate.
PILATE: "Are you the King of the Jews?"
JESUS: "You say so."
NARRATOR: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,
PILATE: "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."
NARRATOR: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom.
PILATE: "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"
NARRATOR: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead.
PILATE: "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"
NARRATOR: They all shouted: Crucify him! (*Indicate to all to shout - Crucify him!*)
ALL: "Crucify him!" (Crucify him!)
PILATE: "Why, what evil has he done?"
NARRATOR: But they shouted all the more,
ALL: Crucify him!" (Crucify him!)
NARRATOR: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,
SOLDIER: "Hail, King of the Jews!"
NARRATOR: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.
NARRATOR: They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). (*Pause while all stand.*) And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.
It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,
BYSTANDER 2: "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"
NARRATOR: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,
CHIEF PRIESTS: "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down

from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."

NARRATOR: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

JESUS: "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

NARRATOR: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

BYSTANDER 1: "Listen, he is calling for Elijah."

NARRATOR: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

BYSTANDER 2: "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

NARRATOR: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. **(SILENCE)** And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

SOLDIER: "Truly this man was God's Son!"

NARRATOR: There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Silence

The Prayers of the People

Leader: Volunteer

Leader: We have heard again the passion of our Lord, into which we are baptized. Recreated by the mind of Christ, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs, saying: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the whole church throughout the world, for its bishops and clergy, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura, our Bishops; and for all priests and deacons, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For peace among nations, for Joseph, our President and for the leaders of all nations; for forbearance among all people, and for all those who serve their country, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For this assembly as we walk the road toward the cross, especially for all our parish families, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the weary and the sick, and for those who are consumed with sorrow, and any others known to us, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our Parish, for our liturgical assistants, altar guild, volunteers and all who are preparing for the liturgies of Pascha, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our blessings, and for other thanksgivings known to us, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all the departed, who had the mind of Christ and were humble servants of God, and for those who have died and are remembered today. For ourselves, that we may be obedient even unto death, let us pray:

Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Into your hands, Oh God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

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: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

People: Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
**We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.
AMEN.

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

Celebrant and People:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **therefore let us keep the feast.**

All baptized Christians are invited to Communion. Receiving the bread alone is sufficient for full participation. Those who wish to receive from the chalice by intinction are asked to approach the chalice first. Only after those who wish to receive in this way have intincted, should those who wish to drink from the chalice approach to receive.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion *(To be recited by those worshipping on Zoom)*

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live and die in your love. Amen.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Week Blessing

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

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.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: *Thanks be to God.*



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, March 24	10:00 a.m.	Cooper Hall - Palm Sunday
		The Rev. Carol Gadsden
Thursday, March 28	7:00 p.m.	St. James, Farmington - Maundy Thursday
Friday, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Erwin Chapel - Good Friday -
		Stephen Hard, Worship Leader
Sunday, March 31	6:30 a.m.	South Church Peace Garden
Sunday, March 31	10:15	St. James, Farmington - Easter Sunday



March and April 2024 Worship Schedule for St. Mark's

Below is a listing of our Sunday worship schedule for March 2024.

Please note that this list may be subject to change at any time.

Any changes will be noted in our weekly bulletin and on our website:

www.stmarksnewbritain.org.

Date	Time	Place	Celebrant
March 24 - Palm Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Erwin Chapel	The Rev. Carol Gadsden
April 7	10:00 a.m.	Erwin Chapel	Rev. Joseph Pace
April 14	10:00 a.m.	Erwin Chapel	Rev. Joseph Pace
April 21	9:00 a.m.	Grace & St. John's 2927 Dixwell Ave., Hamden, CT	Rev. Robert Bergner
April 28	10:00 a.m.	Erwin Chapel	Rev. Michael Carroll

Palm Sunday - March 24, 2024

Longterm prayers are asked for: Stacey Albert, Irene Alibrio, Patricia Anderson, Aaron, Georgie Bethel, Bill Briggs, Michael Campbell, Barbara Canzonetti, Elora Cass, Jose Chavez, Bea Chevalier, Cletus Cone, Patricia Cone, Ben Gryk, Eileen Hamilton, Cheryl Hanson, Norm Holland, Gary Hudkins, Margaret Hughes, Mike Krumrine, Florence Kruvka, Claire Lucid, Ann Maltais, Manny Monteiro, Kelly Nauss, Rae Robinson, Francis and Joann Rusczyk, Brody Searle, Harry Thompson, and Frank Williams.

Healing: Mark Giulietti, Richard, Rose Wollman, Josephine Pelligrini, Lauren Kiefer, Rebekah Maxim, Cynthia Hudson, Patricia Anderson, Barbara Campbell, Norm Holland, Janet Marshall, Betty Ann Hadder, and Manny Monteiro.

ECCT Cycle of Prayer: St. Michael's, Litchfield; St. Andrew's, Madison; St. Andrew's, Marble Dale; ECCT Joint Leadership members of the Mission Council, Missionary Society, Standing Committee, Commission on Ministry and Donations & Bequests; and The Church of the Province of West Africa.

Those who serve our country: Ryan Alexander, Tiana Baptiste, Ryan Beaudoin, Parker Browne, Michael Johnston, and Ed Priesser.

Parish families: Beth Yannello, Luke Zielinski, Edmund Zup and Ronald and Lisa Zup.

Those who have died, and those who are remembered today: John Giulietti and Anna and James Love.

PRAYER CHAIN: To activate the chain call or email:

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St. Marks keeps going in God's way, God's time, and to God's glory.

The worship services, the parish office, and ministry to the community adapt and continue. Your contributions of time, talent, and treasure are appreciated to make it happen.

The Food Pantry ministry continues on Mondays (9 to 2) and Thursdays (9 to 2).

Our service will always be available on Zoom with Meeting ID 500-865-037.

You can enter via the parish Web link at <http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>.

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Holy Week Schedule - 2024



Thursday, March 28 - Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m. St. James, Farmington

MAUNDY THURSDAY gets its name from 'mandatum' meaning commandment – the commandment to the disciples and to us, to 'love one another' as Jesus loves. This commandment came within the setting of the Last Supper and so on this day we recall the institution of the Holy Eucharist as we break bread together for the last time before we celebrate the risen Christ. Jesus himself enacted the commandment to love by washing the disciples' feet and in our liturgy we are given the opportunity to do likewise and wash one another's feet as a sign of the ways we serve one another as Christ served us. Following the Eucharist the altar is stripped as we remember how Jesus goes from the upper room to the Garden awaiting his trial and arrest.



Friday, March 29 - Good Friday - 7:00 p.m. - Erwin Chapel - Stephen Hard, Worship Leader



Sunday, March 31 - Easter Day - 6:30 a.m. - South Church - in the Peace Garden (if inclement weather - Erwin Chapel)

10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. James, Farmington