

Good Shepherd of The Hills Episcopal Church

A Jubilee Ministry Center



Good Friday Service
Friday, April 3, 2026
Holy Eucharist Rite II
Celebrant The Rev. Kim J. Litsey

Our Missional Vision

Good Shepherd of the Hills Church brings the love and light of Christ Jesus to our neighbors. We are called to go out to serve the needs of our community.

Welcome To All Visitors

If you are a visitor today, we welcome you and thank you for worshipping with us! We hope that you are blessed by your visit with us.

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The Rev. Kim J. Litsey, Rector
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Today's Ministry Schedule

Lector: Sue Jenks

Ushers: Tom Sampson

Altar Servers: Erica Richardson and Beth Hatcher

Passion Readers

Narrator	Erica Richardson	Peter	Sue Jenks
Jesus	Lara Bowles	Pilate	Beth Hatcher
Soldier	Elizabeth Pottorff	Slave	Britta Bloomberg
Woman	Deb Boreham		



Join us Easter Sunday for our
10 AM service

Easter Service followed by
an Easter Egg Hunt!

Liturgy for Good Friday

*On this day the ministers enter in silence.
All kneel for silent prayer, after which the Celebrant stands
and begins the liturgy with the Collect of the Day.*

The people kneeling, the Celebrant says:

Celebrant Blessed be our God.
People **For ever and ever. Amen.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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 now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lessons A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

See, my servant shall prosper;
 he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high.
Just as there were many who were astonished at him
 --so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance,
 and his form beyond that of mortals--
so he shall startle many nations;
 kings shall shut their mouths because of him;
for that which had not been told them they shall see,
 and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.
Who has believed what we have heard?
 And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?
For he grew up before him like a young plant,
 and like a root out of dry ground;
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
 nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.
He was despised and rejected by others;
 a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;
and as one from whom others hide their faces
 he was despised, and we held him of no account.

Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.
By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.
They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.
Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 22 (In Unison)

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water;
all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
- 16 Packs of dogs close me in,
and gangs of evildoers circle around me; *
they pierce my hands and my feet;
I can count all my bones.
- 17 They stare and gloat over me; *
they divide my garments among them;
they cast lots for my clothing.
- 18 Be not far away, O LORD; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 19 Save me from the sword, *
my life from the power of the dog.
- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, *
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; *
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship
him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"

- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and
turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in
worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 4:14-16;5:7-9

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

~Hymn~ “Jesus Remember Me” (x3)

Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two flats (Bb and Eb), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are centered under the treble staff.

Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of musical notation is identical to the first, featuring a treble and bass clef staff with the same key signature (two flats) and time signature (3/4). The lyrics are centered under the treble staff.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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The Gospel

Celebrant: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

The Good Friday Passion Gospel is found in the Gospel booklet.

~Hymn LEVASII #49~

“O Jesus Scourged, Derided, Mocked (vss. 1, 2, and 3, 4)

1. O Je - sus_____ scourged, de - rid - ed, mocked, up
 2. The sol - diers_____ spat up - on His face, His
 3. His strength gave_____ out, He tried in vain, Gol -
 4. He came up_____ from Cy - re - ne When the

1. Cal - va - ry's hill did tread; But un - der_____ load of
 2. rai - ment_____ did they strip; And thus_____ ex - posed to
 3. go - tha_____ to as - cend; And so_____ it_____ was that
 4. sol - diers_____ him did seize; He was_____ com - pelled to

1. splin - t'ry_____ wood He fell up - on his head.
 2. com - mon_____ gaze He suf - fered_____ 'neath the whip.
 3. Si - mon_____ blest Be - came our_____ Lord's dear friend.
 4. bear_____ the_____ cross and so Je - sus did please.

5. His muscular frame bore Christ's own Tree
 Along the Sacred Way;
 "O Jesus, who will die for me
 I'll follow Thee always."

6. O Simon, joyful crucifer
 Before the throne of grace:
 Pray that we who shall bear His cross
 May see Him face to face.

The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

The Solemn Collects

All standing, the Priest says to the people

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life. We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

The Congregation kneels for the prayers.

Priest: Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world;

People:

**For its unity in witness and service
For all bishops and other ministers
and the people whom they serve
For our Bishop, and all the people of this Diocese
For all Christians in this community
For those about to be baptized.**

Priest: That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

People:

**For the President of the United States
For the Congress and the Supreme Court
For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations
For all who serve the common good**

Priest: That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for the Jewish people, who by the grace of their eternal covenant with God were delivered from bondage into freedom;

**For their continued faithfulness;
For their flourishing in peace as witnesses to God's sustaining love;
For their safety from all malice and harm
For their liberation from all forms of antisemitism and hatred
For the fullness of redemption for the sake of God's Name.**

Priest: That unity and concord may exist between Jews and Christians, in obedience to God's will.

Silence

O God of Abraham [and Sarah and Hagar], you planted your people Israel as the root and grafted all peoples as wild branches into a single olive tree of praise to you: As we come near to the cross, we lament Christian acts of prejudice and violence against your faithful people, of whom Jesus Christ was born. Bless the children of your covenant, so that together we may attain the fullness of your blessing for the world. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

**For those who are hungry and homeless, destitute and
oppressed**

For those who are ill or disabled, in body, mind, or spirit

For those who are lonely, fearful or anguished

For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair

For those who are sorrowful and bereaved

For those who are prisoners, refugees, and captives

**For those who are victims of war, genocide, and trafficking;
and all those in mortal danger**

For those who are persecuted for the sake of Christ

Priest: That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those who have not embraced God's redemptive love.

People:

For those who have never heard the word of salvation

For those who have lost their faith

For those hardened by sin or indifference

For the contemptuous and the scornful

For those who are persecutors of Christ's disciples

For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others

Priest: That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Silence

(All Stand)

Priest: Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection. **Amen.**

Silence

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS

The Congregation stands for the singing of the hymn, during which the Celebrant enters with the Cross

~Hymn #172~

“Were You There When They Crucified My Lord”

1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
 3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you
 4 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh!
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!
 there when they pierced him in the side? Oh!
 there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!

Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,
 Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble,

trem-ble. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 trem-ble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Words: Afro-American spiritual

Music: *Were You There*, Afro-American spiritual; arr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

After the singing of the hymn the following anthems are said.

Anthem 1

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
*and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross
joy has come to the whole world.*

May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

*Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

*We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection;
for by virtue of your cross
joy has come to the whole world.*

Anthem 2

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; if we endure, we shall also reign with him.

*We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.*

The Congregation may come forward, kneel and venerate the cross.

~Hymn #441~
 “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
 *5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing

1 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of
 2 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
 3 love up - on my way, from the cross the
 4 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that
 5 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of

1 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 2 cross for - sake me: lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 3 ra - diance stream - ing adds new lus - ter to the day.
 4 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
 5 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872) Music: *Rathbun*, Ithamar Conkey (1815-1867)

During the singing of the anthem/hymn, the Reserved Sacrament is brought from the Altar of Repose and placed on the Altar for Communion.

~Anthem~ “Ah, Holy Jesus” By: Barbara Wallace

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended, that man to judge thee
hath in hate pretended?

By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted.
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason,
Jesus, hath undone thee.

‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee: I crucified thee.
Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and
will ever pray thee, think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not
my deserving.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel

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 Celebrant grants absolution

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.**

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

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.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.



Communion of the People

All Baptized people are welcome to receive Holy Communion from the reserved sacrament; if you would like a blessing please cross your arms in front of your chest.

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

***Please leave the Church in Silence
so people may stay to pray in quiet.***

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