

# **Buck Mountain Episcopal Church**

**Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday March 29, 2026**  
The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

**Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ.**  
**We welcome you if you are visiting with us today.**



**Visitors: please see the notes for visitors on the last page**

Buck Mountain is a Spirit-led, inclusive community of faith, living out God's unconditional love with each other, our community, and the world through worship, outreach, spiritual development, youth formation, and fellowship.

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# The Liturgy of the Palms

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## Palms are distributed

**Procession Hymn**     *All glory, laud, and honor*

*refrain:*

*All glory, laud, and honor  
to thee, Redeemer, King!  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel,  
thou David's royal Son,  
who in the Lord's Name comest,  
the King and Blessed  
One. *Refrain*

The company of angels  
are praising thee on high;  
and mortal men and all things  
created make reply. *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews  
with palms before thee went;  
our praise and prayer and  
anthems  
before thee we present. *Refrain*

To thee before thy passion  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to thee, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise. *Refrain*

Thou didst accept their praises;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious  
King. *Refrain*

## Procession Collect

*At a suitable place, the procession may halt while the following or some other appropriate Collect is said*

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Psalm 118

- 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 Hosanna, LORD, hosanna! \*  
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.



## The Sermon

### The Prayers of the People *standing.*

God ever faithful,  
God ever merciful,  
God of your people,  
***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For those who lead and guide the Church of Christ;  
for loving care, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For faithful witness, fellowship in love;  
for living hope, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For those who guide the nations of the earth;  
that wisdom reign, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For those who seek and serve the common good;  
that justice reign, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For neighbors' needs, for shelter from the storm;  
for homes of peace, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For those in sorrow, anguish, and despair;  
that they find hope, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For those oppressed, for those who live in fear;  
that they be freed, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For all the sick, the dying, and the dead,  
be life and grace, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

That we might live in peace from day to day;

that wars will cease, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

That we may stay faithful, open to your Word;  
your Kingdom come! We pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

For all the dreams held deep within our hearts;  
for all our needs, we pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

Entrusting all we are into your hands,  
we call your name, and pray to you, O Lord: ***Refrain:* hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for those in need of healing;

*In unison* John, Amos, Star, Anne, Amrie, Phil, Sandra, Jackie, Kim, Melody, Carol,  
Brian, Levi, Joy, Sam, Marguerite, Katy, Ashlee, Tee, Robert, Kirsten, Kate, Fran,  
Dave, Joe, Olivia, Emily, Matalie, Kathy, Charlie, Karen, Jill, Gary

*Intercessor will pause. Please offer your additional prayers either silently or aloud.*

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for those who serve in the Uniformed Services including:

*In unison:* Nat, Steve, Miles, Katherine, David, Will, and Andrew M.

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for our Vestry,

*In unison:* Rob, Diane, Anne, April, Adriana, Kirsten, and Cliff

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for Buck Mountain Episcopal Church As we seek our  
next priest, especially members of our Discernment Committee:

*In unison:* Doug, Amos, Ruth, Leslie, Linda, and Margaret.

*Celebrant:* God of promise, send a abundant life into your people, and live in our  
spirits and lift up our hearts through the power of Christ example through whom we  
pray amen

## **The Peace** *All stand.*

*Celebrant*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*                And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Offertory Sentence**

*The Celebrant says:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### **Offertory Hymn**

*Breathe on me, Breath of God*

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## **The Great Thanksgiving**

### **Sursum Corda**

*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.

### **Proper Preface**

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

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*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.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*The People stand or kneel.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;

### *The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

**Communion Hymn**      *Let us break bread together*

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**Post-Communion 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.

**BLESSING**

*The Priest blesses the people, saying*

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.*

**Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**SERVING: Today**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Easter 10:30am**

Ushers	Jim & Susan Nagy	Jim & Susan Nagy
Acolytes	Leslie Richard	Ben Walter
Lector	Ruth Gibson	Linda Matherne
Altar Guild	Silvia LaRue Sue Gosnell	Sue Gosnell/Cathy Mancuso
Eucharistic Min	Holly Fesler Sue Gosnell	Doug Smith / Ann Michel
Vestry	Kirsten Rogers	Adrianna Nicholson
Piano/Organ	Tara Scott	Tara Scott
Altar Flowers:	Lent No Flowers	Flower Guild
Refreshments:	Miles and Susan	TBD

Thank you Miles and Susan for stepping up when we do not have anyone signed up for coffee hour. Now we ask our worshipping community to **please sign up** for the weeks ahead (including Easter)

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## **Welcome Visitors**

**We are glad you are here!**

### **Notes for Visitors:**

BCP – the Red Book of Common Prayer

Service Music from the front pages of the Hymnal are marked with an S.

LEVAS is the red and black hymnal named Lift Every Voice and Sing.

Hymns from the Blue Hymnal are marked with an H. Visitors.

Renew is the tan paperback music.

The building next to the sanctuary is called Deese Hall. You will find restrooms in the far-right corner of the building.

The Episcopal church recognizes baptisms in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit from any denomination as sufficient to receive communion to receive communion. (*Canon I.17.7 of the General Convention.*)

Episcopalians invite all baptized people to receive, not because we take the Eucharist lightly, but because we take our Baptism so seriously.

Those who are not yet baptized are welcome to come forward during communion to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate you would like the blessing.

Gluten-free hosts/bread are available. It helps if you tell the usher before the service begins so we have what we need at the altar.

The common cup may be received in the traditional fashion (i.e., sipping directly from the common cup). You may carefully dip the bread in the wine making sure your fingers to not make contact with the wine or the edge of the cup.

**Get connected:** Fill in the visitor information card