

The Church of the
Good Shepherd

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Palm
SUNDAY



March 29, 2026

We Welcome Our Guests

The Good Shepherd faith community welcomes those who are visitors. Your presence and participation in our worship service is a blessing to us all. All are welcome, whoever you are, just as you are!

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Good Shepherd's Sunday School

Sunday School is held during the first half of our 10am Sunday Service, on the first and third Sunday of the month. All Sunday School volunteers have undergone CORI background checks and received training, including the Safe Church training required by the Episcopal Church for all those who work with children.

Good Shepherd's Sunday Nursery

Children of all ages are always welcome at our Sunday Services. Good Shepherd operates a nursery on Sunday from 9:50 –11:10am for infants and children through kindergarten (age 5-6) for those who wish to use it. The nursery is staffed by two adults who have completed Safe Church Training and a CORI background check. ***(There will be no Sunday Nursery on March 29, April 5 & 19.)***

For more information about our Good Shepherd Community please go to our website at www.goodshepherdwareham.org or scan the QR Code here.



Again, thank you for blessing us with your presence and participation this morning!

ASSISTING MINISTERS

MARCH 29, 2026 - PALM SUNDAY			APRIL 2, 2026 - MAUNDY THURSDAY	
8AM	10AM	7PM		
<p><u>READERS:</u> JANET DRUM</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTER:</u> RICH SOUZA</p> <p><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</u> NATECIA ALFONSO</p>	<p><u>READERS:</u> RICHELLIS JEANNYMAN</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS:</u> PAT PROBERT & SCOOTER HOLCOMBE</p> <p><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</u> JUDY ELLIS</p> <p><u>NURSERY MINISTERS:</u> NO NURSERY</p> <p><u>COFFEE HOUR HOST(S):</u> THE GOOD SHEPHERD GUILD</p>	<p><u>READERS:</u> JUDY ELLIS SCOOTER HOLCOMBE</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTER:</u> JUDY GOVON</p> <p><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</u> CHERYL DENTON</p>		
APRIL 3, 2026 - GOOD FRIDAY		APRIL 5, 2026 - EASTER SUNDAY		
7PM		8AM	10AM	
<p><u>READERS:</u> SG. PRESTON BECKY RYDER</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTER:</u> CHUCK MCCULLOUGH</p>		<p><u>READERS:</u> JOELLA CRUZ</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTER:</u> CHUCK MCCULLOUGH</p> <p><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</u> CHERYL DENTON</p>	<p><u>READERS:</u> JO-ANN FINN CEDILY KOST</p> <p><u>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS:</u> DANANNA & BECKY HANSEN</p> <p><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</u> DALE WINTERS</p> <p><u>NURSERY MINISTERS:</u> NO NURSERY</p> <p><u>COFFEE HOUR HOST(S):</u> TED</p>	



THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Presider: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

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

Presider: Let us pray.

**Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation,
that we may enter this Holy Week with joy;
as we contemplate those mighty acts,
whereby you have given us new life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider:

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have brought salvation to your people through your 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 palms 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 lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

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

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

During the procession, all hold branches in their hands, and sing the gathering song.

The Gathering Song:
(10AM Service only)

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

(see page 10)

The Opening Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Together, let us pray.

Everlasting God,

**in your endless love for the human race
you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature
and to give his life out of love for us.**

**In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. *Amen.***



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

(please be seated)

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 118 responsively by half verse

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 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! *
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.
- 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
- 29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Gospel Acclamation:

"Return To God"

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(10AM Service only)

(please stand as you are able)

Refrain

Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and
mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

The musical notation is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line and repeat dots at the end of the second line.

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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel Acclamation *(10AM Service only)*

Repeat Gospel Acclamation Refrain once (page 3)

The Message *(please be seated)*

The Prayers of the People *(please stand as you are able)*

Leader: God in your love for us.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Together, let us pray.

Let us take a moment to turn and share a sign of peace with those around us. If you do not wish to shake hands, simply fold your hands in front of you and say, "Peace be with you." We will then pray together the Prayer of St. Francis.

The Prayer of St. Francis

Presider and People:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is discord, union;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

The Announcements *(please be seated)*

Our Sunday Offerings:

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The Offertory Anthem: "Hosanna" (Praise is Rising)
(10AM Service only)

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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

(please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Words of Praise

Presider 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.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Memorial Acclamation

Presider & People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider and People:

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

Presider: We who break this bread, share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body in Christ.**

Communion

All are invited to receive communion, no exceptions. Please come to the front of the church as directed by the hospitality minister. To receive the communion bread, please extend your hands, one on top of the other, with your palms up. To receive from the communion cup you may dip the communion wafer into the wine in the cup or take the cup into your hands and drink from it. The response to receiving communion is "Amen". If you need to have communion brought to you, please inform the hospitality minister. Gluten free wafers are available. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please inform the priest when you come up for communion.

(please be seated after receiving communion)

Communion Song:

"Turn Our Hearts Around"

(see page 11)

(10AM Service only)

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The Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Together let us pray.

Presider and People:

**God of unbounded love and compassion,
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
May this time of worship transform our hearts,
as we go forth to proclaim in word and deed
your message of love;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Dismissal

People's Response: **Thanks be to God.**

The Concluding Song:

"Hosanna to the Son of David"

(see page 8-9)

(10AM Service only)

Refrain



Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na to the Son of Da - vid.



Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na to the King of Kings.



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

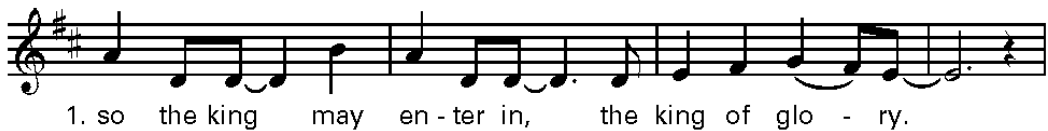


O blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. to Verses

Verse 1




1. Lift up your heads, O gates. Be lift - ed up, an - cient doors,



1. so the king may en - ter in, the king of glo - ry.



1. Who is this king of glo - ry? The Lord who is might - y and strong, the



1. Lord of hosts, the might - y one, the king of glo - ry. to Refrain

Verse 2



2. Who may go up on the moun-tain, stand-ing in his ho-ly place? The



2. clean of hand and pure of heart, those who have not lived in vain.




2. They will re-ceive from the Lord bless-ings and jus-tice from God.



2. Such are those who seek the Lord, who seek the face of God.


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1-5. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er King!



1-5. To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. You are the King of Is - ra - el, And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are prais - ing you on high;
 3. The peo - ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore you went:
 4. To you be - fore your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise:
 5. Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,



1. Now in the Lord's Name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
 2. And mor - tals, joined with all _ things Cre - a - ted, make re - ply.
 3. Our praise and prayers and an - thems Be - fore you we pre - sent.
 4. To you, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
 5. Great source of love and good - ness, Our Sav - ior and our King.

Text: 76 76 D; Theodulph of Orleans, ca. 760–821; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt., *Hyman! Noted*, 1854.
 Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635.

"Turn Our Hearts Around"


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REFRAIN


All




Turn our hearts a-round. Turn our hearts a - round.



Flood our souls com-plete - ly, wash us in your love.



Turn our hearts a-round. Turn our hearts a - round.



Hold us in your mer-cy, change us with your love. *To Verses*

VERSES 1-3

Cantor



1. We cry out _____ for you to heal and to set us free.
2. We have wan - dered _____ and lost our way in life's wil - der - ness.
3. We have hun - gered _____ for man - y things that are not from you.


To Refrain



1.-3. Bring us back. Turn our hearts a - round.


VERSES 4-5

Cantor



4. We have stum - bled _____ a - long the path when we walk a - lone. _____
5. You have prom - ised _____ and yet we doubt your _____ faith - ful word. _____

To Refrain



4.-5. Bring us back. Turn our hearts a - round.

Parish Announcements For Holy Week

Holy Week Services

You are invited to come and journey with Jesus during Holy Week this year. Come just as you are and allow God to give you the new life God has in store for you. Come, be fed by Jesus at the table of the last supper and satisfy the hunger of your spirit. Come, experience the power of God's love and renew your commitment to follow Jesus. Come and renew your life, your faith, and your spirit.

Palm Sunday (3/29): 8am & 10am Palm Sunday Services

Maundy Thursday (4/2): 7pm Eucharistic Service

Good Friday (4/3): 7pm Passion Service with Communion

Easter Sunday (4/5): 8am & 10am Easter Services (music at both Services)

Maundy Thursday 7pm Service

On Maundy Thursday we remember and celebrate Jesus' Last Supper with His disciples, which has become our Sunday Eucharist. At this sacred meal, Jesus instructed his disciples to remember how God has brought salvation to the lives of God's people through Jesus' life and ministry. It was at this meal (in John's Gospel) that Jesus commands his disciples (and us) to love one another as he has loved us. The focus of this Service on the gift of the eucharist in our lives, and that we are called to remember Jesus as witnesses of God's love, mercy, and compassion. *This Service will also be on Facebook Live.*

Good Friday 7pm Services

On Good Friday we call to mind Jesus' love for us, and his willingness to die in obedience to that love. At 7pm there will be a Good Friday Passion Service, at which we will read the passion account from Matthew's Gospel (read in parts). This Service will include communion. We are reminded of our call to follow Jesus in humble service and ministry, that the Cross is a symbol of the ultimate love of our God, and of our call to continue Jesus' mission of love. The focus of these Good Friday Services is on the sacrificial love of Jesus, for which we give thanks. *This Service will also be on Facebook Live.*

Good Friday Offering

At the Good Friday Services, there will be collection baskets at the entrances of the church in support of the ministries of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. This is especially important at this time because the Episcopal churches in the Middle East also serve those who are suffering the effects of war and violence. Please consider supporting these ministries. If you wish to support these ministries by check, please make out the check to "Church of the Good Shepherd" with a notation that it is for the Good Friday Offering. One check will then be sent in the name of the parish. Thank you!

Easter Offering

Please consider giving an Easter financial gift to The Church of the Good Shepherd by way of an extra financial contribution. It is a way for us to give thanks for the gift of Good Shepherd and all its ministries. You can do this by placing a contribution in your Easter envelope (or another envelope marked “Easter Offering”) and placing it in the church offertory box on Easter Sunday or the Sunday before or after Easter, or by mailing it to the parish office. Thank you!

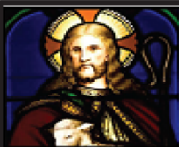
Easter Egg Hunt

There will be an Easter egg hunt following the 10am Service on Easter Sunday, April 5, on the Church’s front lawn. Children should bring their own basket or pail for collecting eggs. We will begin with a hunt for children ages 1-5 and follow with a hunt for the older children. If the weather does not permit us to be outside, fear not, we will have an Easter egg hunt inside.

Invite Someone to Church for Easter

Please consider inviting, and even bringing, someone to church for one of our Easter Services. There are many family members, friends, and neighbors who will not be worshiping in a church on Easter. For some, their absence from church is not by decision, but because they have no church to go to, and they will not be asked to participate in an Easter Service. Please reach out to the people you know and invite them to participate in one of our Easter Services, even offer to pick them up or meet them at the door of the church. Let’s make sure no one who wants to come to church to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus is home alone on Easter Sunday!





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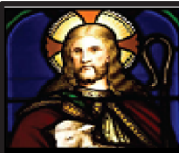
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