Grace Episcopal Church



GOODFRIDAY

~ Friday, April 18, 2025 ~

Good Friday

(The ministers enter in silence, followed by a period of kneeling for silent prayer.)

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer p. 276 Collect of the day Insert First Lesson: Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12 Insert Psalm 22:1-11 Insert Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:16-25 Insert Sequence Hymn 158 vv. 1, 2, 5 Herzliebster Jesu "Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended" The Passion Gospel: John 18:1—19:42 (The Passion is read in dialogue form; the customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted on this day. The people read the parts assigned to the "Crowd." The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha, all stand.) The Rev. Susan L. Scranton Sermon "Were You There?" **Anthem Spiritual** Sounds of Grace Handbell Quartet Arr. Kevin McChesney The Solemn Collects The Exhortation (Please stand as able.) BCP p. 277

BCP p. 278

The Biddings and Solemn Collects (Please kneel as able.)

The Veneration of the Cross

Anthem "And No Bird Sang" Douglas E. Wagner
Parish Choir

(During the anthem a cross is brought into the church and placed in sight of the people. Those who wish may kneel at the foot of the cross or at the altar rail for private devotions. It is also appropriate to remain in the pews for devotions. After a period of silence, the Celebrant leads the congregation in the solemn anthems. Please kneel as able.)

Anthem 1 BCP p. 281
Anthem 2 BCP p. 281-282
Anthem 3 BCP p. 282
Hymn 160 "Cross of Jesus" John Stainer

Communion from the Reserved Sacrament

Confession BCP p. 360

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

People: 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.

Absolution BCP p. 360
The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

The Communion

Celebrant: 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.**

(All depart reverently and silently.)

Participants in the Service:

Celebrant	The Rev. Susan L. Scranton
Choirmaster	David Aldrete
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Debbie Pullen - 12 Noon service Jared Anders - 7:30 PM service
Lectors Debbie Pullen, Kathi Ferris, Jade Petteruto,	David Dorman - 12 Noon service Stacey Aldrete - 7:30 PM service
Solemn Collects	Debbie Pullen- 12 Noon service Jon Sharp - 7:30 service
Passion Gospel Readers: Evening Service	
Narrator	Heather Moore
Jesus	David Aldrete
Pilate	Jon Sharp
Usher	Alex McKenzie

Please return the Passion Narrative to the box in the narthex.



EASTER SERVICES ~ Sunday, April 20

8:00 AM – Holy Communion in the chapel 10:00 AM – Festive Choral Communion

Special music provided by our parish choir and handbell choir. Please bring flowers from your garden to flower the cross. An Easter Egg hunt for the children will follow the service