

A decorative border of black palm fronds surrounds the central text.

Eve of Palm Sunday

**Jesus Christ
Superstar Mass**

***13 April 2019
5:00 PM***

**Saint James Episcopal Church
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
www.saintjameslancaster.org**

THE COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

Minister Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant welcomes the people.

Minister The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

The celebrant introduces the Mass.

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Tonight we come together to prepare ourselves for a solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ will soon enter his own city to complete his work as our Savior, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

The people hold up their palms while this prayer is said.

God our Savior, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and die, let these palms 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 with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

Processional

Please stand to sing.

Hosanna

ALL

**Hosanna, Hey Sanna Sanna Sanna Hosanna,
Hey Sanna Hosanna
Hey JC, JC, won't you smile at me?
Sanna Hosanna, Hey Superstar**

CAIAPHAS

Tell the rabble to be quiet, we anticipate a riot.
This common crowd is much too loud.
Tell the mob who sing your song that they are fools and they are wrong.
They are a curse. They should disperse.

ALL

**Hosanna, Hey Sanna Sanna Sanna Hosanna
Hey Sanna Hosanna
Hey JC, JC, you're alright by me
Sanna Hosanna, Hey Superstar**

JESUS

*Why waste your breath moaning at the crowd?
Nothing can be done to stop the shouting.
If every tongue were stilled the noise would still continue.
The rocks and stone themselves would start to sing:*

ALL

**Hosanna, Hey Sanna Sanna Sanna Hosanna
Hey Sanna Hosanna
Hey JC, JC, won't you fight for me?
Sanna Hosanna Hey Superstar**

JESUS

*Sing me your songs, but not for me alone.
Sing out for yourselves, for you are blessed.
There is not one of you who cannot win the kingdom.
The slow, the suffering, the quick, the dead.*

ALL
Hosanna, Hey Sanna Sanna Sanna Hosanna
Hey Sanna Hosanna
Hey JC, JC, won't you die for me?
Sanna Hosanna Hey Superstar

Collect

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.**

The Congregation may be seated.

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE From the musical, "Jesus Christ Superstar" By Andrew Lloyd Webber

Heaven on their Minds

The Last Supper

The Arrest of Jesus

Peter's Denial

Jesus before Pilate

Jesus before Herod

Jesus before Pilate

The 39 Lashes

Prayers of Intercession

Minister We stand with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those who, weighed down with hardship,
failure or sorrow, feel that God is far from them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister For those who are tempted to give up the way of
the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister That we, with those who have died in faith, may
find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the
Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Trisagion

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

The Peace

Minister Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

**All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Could We Start Again Please?

MARY MAGDALENE

I've been living to see you.
Dying to see you, but it shouldn't be like this.
This was unexpected. What do I do now?
Could we start again please?
I've been very hopeful, so far.
Now for the first time, I think we're going wrong.
Hurry up and tell me this is just a dream.
Oh could we start again please?

I think you've made your point now.
You've even gone a bit too far to get the message home.
Before it gets too frightening we ought to call a vote,
So could we start again please?

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

BCP 367

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.**

The Celebrant continues until:

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

**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 celebrant continues until:

Therefore, according to this command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues until:

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Celebrant Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word,
and I shall be healed.

All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist with bread and wine or by bread alone. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you prefer not to receive, we invite you to come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn *I Don't Know How to Love Him*

MARY MAGDALENE

I don't know how to love him.

What to do, how to move him.

I've been changed, yes really changed.

In these past few days, when I've seen myself,
I seem like someone else.

I don't know how to take this.

I don't see why he moves me.

He's a man. He's just a man.

And I've had so many men before in very many ways,
He's just one more.

Should I bring him down? Should I scream and shout?

Should I speak of love, let my feelings out?

I never thought I'd come to this. What's it all about?

Don't you think it's rather funny I should be in this position?

I'm the one who's always been so calm, so cool, no lover's fool,
Running every show. He scares me so.

I never thought I'd come to this.

What's it all about?

Yet, if he said he loved me, I'd be lost. I'd be frightened.

I couldn't cope, just couldn't cope. I'd turn my head. I'd back away.

I wouldn't want to know. He scares me so.

I want him so. I love him so.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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.

The Blessing

May Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Sending Hymn

Superstar

JUDAS

Every time I look at you I don't understand
Why you let the things you did get so out of hand.
You'd have managed better if you'd had it planned.
Why'd you choose such a backward time in such a strange land?
If you'd come today you could have reached a whole nation.
Israel in 4 BC had no mass communication.
Don't you get me wrong. I only want to know.

ALL

**Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, who are you?
What have you sacrificed?
Jesus Christ Superstar,
do you think you're what they say you are?**

JUDAS

Tell me what you think about your friends at the top.
Who'd you think besides yourself's the pick of the crop?
Buddha, was he where it's at? Is he where you are?
Could Mohammed move a mountain, or was that just PR?
Did you mean to die like that? Was that a mistake, or
Did you know your messy death would be a record breaker?
Don't you get me wrong. I only want to know.

ALL

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Cast of Characters

Narrator

Bruce Nickles

Judas

Reji Woods

Jesus

Jay Poff

Pilate

Jeff Coon

Herod

Rob Shingle

Mary Magdalene

StephJo Wise

Peter

Aaron Combs

Maid by the Fire

Lindsay Withers

Soul Sisters

StephJo Wise
Lindsay Withers

Caiphas/Annas

Joe Anthony

The Band

Jon Lefever – *Piano*
Mike Vitale – *Bass*
Clem Lichty – *Drums*
Chris Keeney – *Guitar*

Producer/Director

StephJo Wise
Chris Keeney
Dan Deal

On **Easter Sunday**, we urge you to come to the 8:30 AM service so that we do not have to turn away visitors at the 10:30 AM service. Both services are identical and both will give the chance for children to join the Easter Party at 9:30 AM and the Easter Egg Hunt at 9:40 AM.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT SAINT JAMES



MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 18

- 4:30PM Family Foot Washing with Eucharist
5:30PM Bible Foods Dinner
7:30PM Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing
9:00PM Overnight Vigil with the Blessed Sacrament

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 19

- 7:30AM Walk of Witness in the City with Stations of the Cross
12PM - 3PM Christ's Last Words from the Cross PREACHED BY THE DOWNTOWN MINISTERIUM
4:30PM Family Stations of the Cross
7:30PM Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 20

- 7:30PM Easter Vigil with incense, Children's Chapel and Lighting of the New Fire of Easter

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21

- 8:30 & 10:30AM Festal Eucharist with Brass and Children's Chapel
9:30AM Family Easter Egg Hunt between services

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