

CUTHBERT CONNECTIONS

Building the Kingdom of God—Together!

Come experience the transforming power and accepting love of Jesus Christ.

WELCOME

Welcome to St. Cuthbert! We are glad you are here to worship today. If this is your first time to join us, be sure to stop by the Welcome Desk to take home a fresh baked treat!

We welcome all baptized Christians to join in receiving **Communion**. Those not baptized are invited to receive a blessing by crossing their arms over their chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer Teams are available during Communion and after the service for those who have specific prayer needs or desire anointing with oil and prayers for healing. You will find the Prayer Team in the room in the back corner of the Sanctuary on the choir side.



Sunday Morning Services:
8:00 & 10:30 Holy Communion & Children's Church
9:10 Christian Formation for everyone
Nursery available 7:50 - 12:30

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THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Congregation gathers in the Parish Hall.

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

LUKE 19:28-40

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us 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 palm 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.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The congregation follows the Cross and processes outside, through the front doors of the church. The Cross and Ministers will remain at the baptismal font while the congregation continues into the sanctuary, to their seats. Children will walk with their families and enter Children's Church from the Palm Procession.

PALM PROCESSION: HOSANNA

I see the King of glory coming on the clouds with fire;

The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes.

I see his love and mercy washing over all our sin;

The people sing, the people sing,

Chorus

"Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest!"

I see a generation rising up to take their place

With selfless faith, with selfless faith.

I see a near revival stirring as we pray and seek;

We're on our knees, we're on our knees. *Chorus*

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All standing, the service continues with the following collect.

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 service continues with the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL: ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

Chorus

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. *Chorus*

To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. *Chorus*

Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King. *Chorus*

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Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures forever.

THE COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

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 Old Testament, Psalm, and New Testament readings are omitted on Palm Sunday. The Nicene Creed and Confession are also omitted.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: LUKE 22:14-23:56

Please be seated for the first portion of the Passion reading. The speaker will indicate when it is time to stand.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER INFORMATION

EASTER BAPTISM

A service of Holy Baptism will be held Easter Sunday at the 8:00 service. If you have a candidate, fill out a Baptism Registration form, found in the front hallway, and leave it in the church office. The deadline to sign up is today. A required Baptismal instruction class will be held on Saturday, April 20, at 10:00. For questions or more information, please contact Gail Jackins.



FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

On Easter Sunday we will flower a wooden cross. You are invited to bring either flowers or greenery from your yard or purchased posies and secure them on the cross, which will be in the Parish Hall. Don't forget your camera!

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Usher and Greeter ministries are hosting Easter Egg Hunts on Easter Sunday after each service. Donations of individually wrapped candy-filled plastic eggs are needed. Please, no chocolate candy. You may place your donations in the box in the front hallway anytime this week.



AFRICAN PALMS

The palm cross you received this morning was purchased from African Palms USA, an outreach program of St. John's Church in Olney, Maryland. The net proceeds from the sale of crosses and all donations received are returned to Africa in the form of non-denominational self-help grants.

HOLY WEEK PRAYER VIGIL

You are invited to participate in the Holy Week Prayer Vigil beginning Maundy Thursday at 8:00 p.m. and ending Easter Sunday at 8:00 a.m. The Prayer vigil has a new location this year. It's wherever you are! You may pray from your home, your office, or your favorite place to spend time with the Lord. Sign up for a prayer time by visiting the table in the front hallway or stcuthbert.org.

PASSPORTS FOR HOLY WEEK

Everyone is invited to get a Holy Week passport from the table in the front hallway. Every day in Holy Week, read the Bible passage. Then explore the question on each page, and pray the Lord's Prayer. Afterward, award yourself the passport sticker for that day! For questions or more information, contact Gail Jackins.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME. WHOM COULD YOU INVITE?



We at St. Cuthbert will be intentional to: Captivate visitors with the love of Christ; Connect people to the love of Christ; experience the transforming power and accepting love of Jesus Christ through Community ministry groups; and Commission leaders to build the kingdom of God—together!

CUTHBERT CARES: SATURATE

Step forward in faith as we saturate our community with the good news of Jesus Christ. We still have a few bags left to distribute. All ages can participate! Pick up a bag after the service and saturate the assigned area at your convenience. This is the last Sunday the bags will be available. Let's get out of the building and into the mission field. Are you IN?

YOUTH GROUP SOULBOOKS

Today, the Youth Group will meet from 5:30 to 7:30. A special guest is coming to help us make SoulBooks! A SoulBook is a personalized, handmade book full of meaningful images and powerful words our hearts and minds may know intuitively, but often forget. All supplies and instructions will be provided. The subsidized cost is \$10 per person. For questions or more information, contact Sally Mahon.

CHESS WITH FRIENDS

Anyone who loves the game of chess and those who want to learn are invited to Chess with Friends today, from 4:30-5:30. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For questions or more information, please contact Gail Jackins.

CUTHBERT CARES: SERVE

Step out in faith and be the hands and feet of Christ. The second portion of the Cuthbert Cares initiative, I'm IN to Serve, will be held on Sunday, April 28, with one service at 8:00. We will then head out into the community to serve our neighbors. There is a variety of tasks for all ages and abilities. Two of the tasks, although outwardly focused, will take place here at St. Cuthbert. We will also serve at our next-door neighbors, Copperfield Estates; our nearby neighbors, the YMCA, and Avanti Senior Living; as well as at the home of a senior citizen in our parish. Let's get out of the building and into the mission field. Are you IN?

TOUCH A TRUCK AND AUCTION

On Saturday, April 27, from 11:00-2:00. St. Cuthbert School will combine their Eleventh Annual Touch A Truck Event with their Eighteenth Annual Silent & Live Auction! Kids of all ages can explore and learn about first responder vehicles and adults can bid on lots of great items to raise money for the school. If you have an item or a service to donate for the auction, or for questions or more information, contact Lynda Houghton.



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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday, April 14

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion
and the Liturgy of the Palms

Maundy Thursday, April 18

7:00 p.m. Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday, April 19

9:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross at Goforth Park
9118 Wheatcross Drive, 77095

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Sunday, April 21

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion and Baptisms with full choir

10:30a.m. Holy Communion with full choir

Easter egg hunts after each service.

The Nursery will be available for all services.

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