

Our liturgy today is a liturgy of contrasts. We begin in the courtyard with celebratory music, the waving of palm branches, and the smell of incense carrying our praises heavenward as we cry joyfully to Jesus, "Hosanna in the highest," which means, "Save us, please!" As we move inside and hear the Passion Gospel we are reminded, both of God's will to save us, and also of the cost. We leave worship this morning in silence, invited to ponder God's great love for us in Jesus' saving work on the cross.

The Liturgy of the Palms

INTROIT

Hosanna to the Son of David
Choral Scholars

Tomas Luis de Victoria

OPENING ANTHEM

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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.*

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL READING

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."

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People 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 Procession, led by the Crucifer and Thurifer, proceeds around the Church and ends with the congregation finding their places in the nave.

PROCESSION COLLECT

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The people stand.

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.*

HYMN

All glory, laud, and honor

Hymnal 154

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

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.*

FIRST READING

The people sit.

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:9-16

Have — mer - cy on — me, — O — God.

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with
sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed. *Refrain.*
¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even
to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my
acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
¹²I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot. *Refrain.*

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, “You are my God. *Refrain.*”
¹⁵My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.” *Refrain.*

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
 And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

THE PASSION GOSPEL

Luke 23:1-49

The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted. The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. At the verse which mentions the arrival at the place of the Skull, all stand. The congregation is also invited to speak the words of the crowd in bold print.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

The assembly of the elders of the people rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

Then they all shouted out together, "**Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!**" (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, "**Crucify, crucify him!**" A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

The people stand.

Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last.

Silence

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

THE HOMILY

The people sit.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people kneel or stand.

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, John our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For those in positions of public trust that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of St. Paul and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

THE PEACE

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The people stand.

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

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

Carol of the Hill

Stephen Paulus

DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380 v. 3

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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:

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.

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The People kneel or stand. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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

FRACTION ANTHEM

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

NOTE ON RECEIVING COMMUNION: *All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to receive a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Intercessory prayer teams are available to pray with you on either side of the nave.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

Benedictus
My song is love unknown (stanzas 1-2, 7)

Karl Jenkins
Hymnal 458

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The people kneel or stand.

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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.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Let us bow down before the Lord.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

The people stand.

Ah, holy Jesus

Hymnal 158

The choir and altar party recess in silence after the hymn.

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NOTE ON HOLY WEEK. In the 4th century, the Spanish pilgrim Egeria traveled to the Holy Land to participate in the drama and liturgy of Holy Week. What she experienced was not so much a series of separate services, but rather one continuous liturgy, punctuated by breaks to return home to rest and eat, and then gather again. In the same spirit, our liturgy this week does not conclude with a dismissal, because our worship is not yet concluded. It continues through each day, as the great drama of salvation unfolds through Maundy Thursday and Good Friday and reaches its climactic moment on Easter.

Palm Sunday Dedications

The Processional Palm Cross is given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings,
by Stan & Laney Golden.

The Altar palms are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for our many blessings,
by Carol & Louis Deken.

The Rev. Dr. Kristine Blaess, Rector
The Rev. Michael Whitnah, Associate Rector
The Rev. Funmi Odidi, Volunteer
The Rev. Deacon Kelly Ramer Moody, Volunteer
Angela Tipps, Organist and Director of Music
Choral Scholars: Haylee Casper, Jessebeth Lowery, Cameron Roberts, Logan Stewart
Lector: 8:45 a.m. DeAnna Bartsch, Jeanmarie Hill
11:00 a.m. Jenny Fayter, Shane Hooper
Intercessor: 8:45 a.m. Jennifer Groth
11:00 a.m. Tom Neff
Chalice Bearer: 8:45 a.m. David Green, Jennifer Groth
11:00 a.m. Carol Detmer, Jeff James
Ushers: 8:45 a.m.: *Sandy Gleaves, Ted Goodman, Tristin Casteel, Mary Probert
11:00 a.m.: *David Fowler, John Carlton, Lance Ikard, Ryan Deken
Altar Guild: Barbara Collins, Alice Gibson, Ashley Heren, Renee Lamine
Prayer Team: 8:45 a.m.: David Loucky, Nancy Loucky
11:00 a.m.: Janet Arning, Betty Block, Lisa Hennis, Kristi Hay
Acolytes: 8:45 a.m.: Peter Heren, Molly Bartsch, Ben Bartsch, Harper Marsh, Kinsley Nix
11:00 a.m.: George Carlson, Isaac Dickey, Luca Guevert, Jax Peek, Jennifer Handy
Tech Team: Don Whitfield, Mark Zoll

--PRAYER CONCERNS--

For those with cancer: BJ, Chuck, Dru, Jeff, Joe, Jeff, Kathy, Katarina, Leigh, Margaret, Mark, Marsha, Matt, Pat, Penny, Sage, Sydney, and Terry.

For those in cancer remission: Andie, Jim, and Mandy.

For those healing from Surgery: Hank, Linda and Rebecca.

For those experiencing mental health issues.

For those with other needs: Beverly, Bernice, Caroline, Catherine, Elbert, Emily, Hannah, Henry, Jack, Kim, Marcie, Martha, Vanessa, Wilma, Zach, the people of Ukraine, and the people of the Middle East.

For those imprisoned including: Abu-Ali, Charlie, Corinio, Gregory, Joe, and Michael.

For those experiencing homelessness including: Adrienne, Andrea, Brad, Carol, Cindy, Connie, Deborah, Donna, Jacki, Jeri, Jessica, Joe, Kanasha, Kelsey, Kimberley, Kristi, Laura, Leanna, Lori, Melissa, Renada, Sharon, Tiffany, and Trista.

For all veterans and those in military service and their families, including: Benjamin, Brianna, Chris, Evan, Jeffrey, Kaitlin, Trevor, and Sean.

--CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education | April 13, 10:00 a.m. | Parish Hall

- Rector's Forum: The Lost World of Adam and Eve | Parish Hall
John Walton, Professor Emeritus of Old Testament at Wheaton College, seeks to reconcile the seemingly contradictory narratives of human origin found in the Bible and modern Science.
- Parents' Group: The Anxious Generation | Wise Room
Parenting in the digital age is hard. Join us as we read and discuss #1 New York Times Bestseller The Anxious.

Generation by Jonathan Haidt. Grab a copy from your favorite bookstore! Contact Fr. Michael with questions.

- Confirmation Preparation | 9:45 a.m. | Christian Education Rooms

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

- Level I: Preschool–Kindergarten
- Level II: 1st–3rd Grade
- Level III: 4th & 5th Grade

Youth Sunday School: Second Floor, St. Margaret's Hall

- Children's Church, 8:45 a.m.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP TIMES

Holy Week Ecumenical Services | 12:00 p.m.

- Monday, April 14 : First Baptist Church, 200 E. Main St.
- Tuesday, April 15 : First Presbyterian Church, 210 N. Spring St.
- Wednesday, April 16 : Central Christian Church, 404 E. Main St.
- Thursday, April 17 : First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 907 E. Main St.
- Friday, April 18: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 315 E. Main St.

At St. Paul's

Holy Wednesday | April 16 | 7:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist in the Chapel.

Maunder Thursday, April 17 | 7:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist in the Nave.

The Watch, Thursday, April 17 through Friday, April 18, Chapel.

Good Friday, April 18

- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Interactive Stations of the Cross
 - 12:00 p.m. Ecumenical Service
 - 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
 - 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Holy Saturday, April 19

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Saturday, Nave

Easter Sunday, April 20

- Worship times: 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.
- 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt- Children, please bring a basket
 - No Christian Education or Children's Church

--ANNOUNCEMENTS--

Easter Flowered Cross

We invite the St. Paul's children to bring flowers from their gardens to flower the cross next Sunday during the Gloria!

St. Paul's Mass Setting

On Easter Sunday, we are unveiling a new service music setting by parishioner Marty Hennis. Written especially for St. Paul's, Marty has set the Gloria, Sanctus, and Fraction Anthem to music. We invite you to listen each week to the new settings by following the eBlast, and join us Easter Sunday for the premiere.

Cucumbers & Conversations | Sunday, April 27, 11:30 a.m. | Parish Hall

All women (18+) of St. Paul's are invited to gather in fellowship for high tea (lunch) after the 10:00 a.m. service for this special women's fellowship opportunity! To allow for appropriate food preparation, please register by following the link in the eBlast.

Do You Know Any Graduates?

St. Paul's loves to celebrate and honor our graduates! If you know anyone graduating, email the front office with their name, degree, and picture so we can tell them how proud we are! Please email any information to Chase.Benefiel@stpaulsmurfreesboro.org by May 1.

Rejoice in the Lamb | Monday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. | Nave

Join the St. Paul's Choir with Dr. Susan Kelly, conductor, and Angela Tipps, organist, for Benjamin Britten's "Rejoice in the Lamb." Using a text by Christopher Smart, Britten's 1943 setting features our choral scholars: Haylee Casper, Jessebeth Germany, Cameron Roberts, and Logan Stewart. The event will include an installation of officers for the Nashville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Nursery is provided, and admission is free.

Brass Performances at St. Paul's | Monday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 23, 7:00 p.m. and Monday, April 28, 7:00 p.m. | Nave

The Easter season will feature some great brass performances at St. Paul's! Right after hearing the festival brass quartet during Easter services, students of David Loucky will present three exciting recitals: Monday, April 21 The Blue Bones Trombone Quartet (BBQ), a very HOT group; Wednesday, April 23, Jocelyn Bullock, trombone and Henry Wright, euphonium with Joseph Walker, piano; and Monday, April 28: Trombonists Mitchell Elmore, Rielly Harris, and Ryan Hungerpillar with Joseph Walker, piano.

Confirmation coming June 1 | Classes Begin Sunday, April 6, 8:45 a.m. in Christian Ed Rooms

Confirmation is a Sacrament of the Church in which you confirm the promises made for you by your sponsors, or that you made, as a child at your baptism.

Any baptized member of St. Paul's can be confirmed; this is for new-comers and long-time members of the parish alike.

We will be using Christopher Webber's book *Welcome to the Episcopal Church* which is available at Amazon or other outlets.

Adult confirmation class will be led by David Rowe and Joyce Adkins. If you have questions, contact David at drowe@bellsouth.net or Joyce at joycea1010@gmail.com.

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Offering

To make an offering online with your debit/credit card, scan the QR code with your smart phone camera. A link will appear, click on it to open our website's giving page. You can select the fund you want to give to (i.e. pledge fulfillment, general offering, CONNECT, etc.) and even leave a note in the memo line if desired.

