

Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;

Joel 2:13

The Fifth Sunday in Lent March 26, 2023



Welcome to Church of Our Savior. We are a part of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. We proudly uphold the traditional faith and values of our Anglican heritage, while seeking new ways to reach people with the transformational love of Jesus Christ.

We believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior over heaven and earth and that He has called those who follow Him to be His witnesses in the world. Those who put their faith in Him have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit into a new life, a resurrection life. We believe that because Jesus rose from the dead all people can experience the promise of abundant life through a personal relationship with Him.

The great Christian thinker C.S. Lewis once described the transformational power of walking through life with Jesus when he wrote:

"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."

It is our hope and prayer that as you join us you will know for yourself the unconditional love and grace of Our Savior Jesus Christ, in your own life.

The Rev. David Ball

## The Kenyan Eucharistic Rite

During the Season of Lent we will be using the Kenyan Eucharistic Rite as our liturgy in solidarity with our brother and sister Anglicans in Africa and in remembrance that we are part of the worldwide body of Christ.

#### Welcome

- The Congregation is invited to stand

#### **Opening Hymn**

#### The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation
By water and the Word
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her
And for her life He died

Elect from every nation
Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued

'Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest

Minister: The Lord be with you **People:** And also with you.

Minister: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it

People: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord:

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Minister: I was glad when they said to me:

People: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Minister: Praise the Lord:

People: The name of the Lord be praised.

Minister: The Spirit is here: **People:** The promise of God.

Minister: Let us pray together.

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

#### THE GLORIA

Minister: Glory to the Father **People:** Glory to the Son

Minister: Glory to the Spirit

People: For ever Three in One

Minister: Be glorified at home **People:** Be glorified in Church

Minister: Be glorified in The United States

People: Be glorified in America

Minister: Be glorified on earth **People:** Be glorified in heaven

Minister: Glory to the Father **People:** Glory to the Son

Minister: Glory to the Spirit

People: For ever Three in One. Amen

#### Song of Praise

#### His Mercy Is More

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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- The congregation may be seated.
- 9am Service: Children age 5 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to "Splash Kids".

## The Ministry of the Word

#### A Reading from Acts 12:20 - 13:3

<sup>20</sup> Now Herod was angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon, and they came to him with one accord, and having persuaded Blastus, the king's chamberlain, they asked for peace, because their country depended on the king's country for food. <sup>21</sup> On an appointed day Herod put on his royal robes, took his seat upon the throne, and delivered an oration to them. <sup>22</sup> And the people were shouting, "The voice of a god, and not of a man!" <sup>23</sup> Immediately an angel of the Lord struck him down, because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms and breathed his last.

Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> But the word of God increased and multiplied.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had completed their service, bringing with them John, whose other name was Mark.

Saul. <sup>2</sup> While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." <sup>3</sup> Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

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

-All stand

Minister: We stand to hear the good news of our salvation,

as it is written in the Gospel according to John.

#### Gospel Lesson from John 14:15-17

<sup>15</sup> "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup> even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

Minister: This is the Gospel of Christ. *People: Praise to Christ our Saviour.* 

#### The Sermon

#### The Creed

Minister: We stand together with Christians throughout the centuries, and throughout the world today, to affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed

- All please stand
- Officiant and People together

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### The Intercessions

- The congregation may kneel. stand, or be seated.

Minister: Let us pray

Leader: May the bishops and leaders of our churches have

wisdom and speak with one voice.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the leaders of our country rule with

righteousness.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

<sup>\*</sup>universal

Leader: May justice be our shield and defender.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the country have peace and the people be

blessed.

People: Amen Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the flocks and the herds prosper and the fish

abound in our lakes.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the fields be fertile and the harvest plentiful.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May we and our enemies turn towards peace.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the love of the Father touch the lonely, the

bereaved and the suffering.

People: Amen. Lord have mercy.

Leader: May the path of the world be swept of all dangers.

People: Alleluia. The Lord of Mercy is with us.

- The Congregation is invited to offer up their own prayers and petitions

## The Prayers of Penitence

- The Minister declares

Hear the words of challenge and comfort our Saviour Christ says to all who follow him.

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. (Luke 9:234)

Come to me all of you who are tired of carrying your heavy loads, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

So, all of you who repent of your sins, who love your neighbours and intend to lead a new life, following the way of Jesus, come with faith and take this holy sacrament to strengthen you. Let us reverently confess our sins to Almighty God.

#### - All pray together

Almighty God, Creator of all, you marvellously made us in your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged your likeness by rejecting your love and hurting our neighbours. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of your Son; Remake us and lead us by your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### - The Minister offers these words of assurance

Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove your sins from you, as far as the east is from the west, strengthen your life in his kingdom and keep you upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ our merciful High Priest. Amen.

#### - All say together

Thank you, Father, for forgiveness. We come to your table as your children, not presuming but assured, not trusting ourselves, but your Word; we hunger and thirst for righteousness, and ask for our hearts to be satisfied with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ the Righteous. Amen.

#### The Peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you

<sup>-</sup> The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

#### **Announcements**

#### Offering

#### Ways to give on Sunday morning

- -Online at church-savior.org/give
- -Text offering amt to (904) 606-1165 & follow prompts
- -Place offering in the plate as it is passed

#### THE HOLY EUCHARIST

- The offerings are collected and the holy table is prepared

#### **Offertory**

#### O The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus

O the deep deep love of Jesus Vast unmeasured boundless free Rolling as a mighty ocean In its fullness over me Underneath me all around me Is the current of Thy love Leading onward leading homeward To my glorious rest above

O the deep deep love of Jesus Spread His praise from shore to shore How He loveth ever loveth Changeth never nevermore How He watches o'er His loved ones Died to call them all His own How for them He intercedeth Watches over them from the throne

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- All Stand

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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#### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister: We remain standing for thanksgiving and remembrance.

- Those who need to sit are welcome to do so

Minister: Is the Father with us?

People: He is.

Minister: Is Christ among us?

People: He is.

Minister: Is the Spirit here?

People: He is.

Minister: This is our God.

People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Minister: We are his people. **People:** We are redeemed.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People: It is right to give him thanks and praise* 

<sup>-</sup> The Minister Continues in prayer

It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise, great Father, living God, supreme over the world, Creator, Provider, Saviour and Giver. From a wandering nomad you created your family; for a burdened people you raised up a leader; for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets. In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image, bringing your kingdom, revealing your will, dying, rising, reigning, remaking your people for yourself. Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life. Therefore with angels, archangels, faithful ancestors and all in heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

Holy holy holy Lord God of power and might Heaven and earth are full of Your glory Hosanna in the highest

#### - The Minister Continues in prayer

Almighty God, Owner of all things, We thank you for giving up your only Son to die on the cross for us who owe you everything. Pour your refreshing Spirit on us as we remember him in the way he commanded, through these gifts of your creation.

On the same night that he was betrayed he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me'.

#### All: Amen. His body was broken for us.

#### - The Minister Continues in prayer

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying, '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. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

People: Christ has died Christ is risen

Christ will come again

Minister: We are brothers and sisters through his blood. **People:** We have died together, we will rise together,

we will live together.

- The Minister Continues in prayer

Therefore, heavenly Father, hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy, and await the coming of our Brother, Jesus Christ. He died in our place, making a full atonement for the sins of the whole world, the perfect sacrifice, once and for all. You accepted his offering by raising him from death, and granting him great honour at your right hand on high.

People: Amen. Jesus is Lord.

Minister: This is the feast of victory.

People: The Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Minister: Christ is alive for ever. **People:** We are because he is

Minister: We are one body. **People:** We share one bread

Minister: Draw near with faith.

People: Christ is the host and we are his guests

- The Celebrant will receive the Lord's Supper on behalf of those who are unable to receive themselves at this time.
- The Lord's Supper will be distributed as congregants come forward by row, when released by the usher.
- All who have made the decision to put their faith in Jesus Christ and have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are invited to come and receive this Holy Communion.
- Gluten Free wafers are available. Please ask the Celebrant.

#### **Communion Songs**

#### There Is One Gospel

There is one Gospel on which I stand For all eternity It is my story my Father's plan The Son has rescued me Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace My highest joy and my deepest need Now and forever He is my light I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found The empty tomb still speaks For death could not keep my Saviour down He lives and I am free Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes My life is His and His hope is mine For he has promised I too will rise I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home
And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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#### Speak O Lord (9am only)

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

#### - All stand

#### The Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### - All pray together.

O God of our ancestors, God of our people, Before whose face the human generations pass away; We thank you that in you we are kept safe for ever, and that the broken fragments of our history are gathered up in the redeeming act of your dear Son, remembered in this holy sacrament of bread and wine. Help us to walk daily in the Communion of Saints, declaring our faith in the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection of the body. Now send us out in the power of your Holy Spirit to live and work for your praise and glory. Amen.

#### The Blessing

Minister: All our problems

People: We send to the cross of Christ

Minister: All our difficulties

People: We send to the cross of Christ

Minister: All the devil's works

People: We send to the cross of Christ

Minister: All our hopes

People: We set on the risen Christ

#### - The Minister Continues offers the final blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you, always.

People: Amen.

#### **Closing Hymn**

#### Lift High The Cross

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name

For Thy blest cross which doth for all atone Creation's praises rise before Thy throne

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name

So shall our song of triumph ever be Praise to the Crucified for victory

Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name

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#### The Dismissal

Minister: Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, even so I

send you". Go forth in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Recurring Events**

Events are held at COOS unless otherwise noted and are subject to change.

Check with the office to confirm!

## **Worship God**

Sunday Worship Services 9:00 & 11:00am

Nursery: Polka-Dot Playhouse: Loving care in a clean, safe play-

house. Infants thru 4yrs @ both services.

Kid's Program: Splash Kids: Dive in - Get Soaked! 5yrs thru 5th

grade. Exclusively at 9:00am Service

Tuesday Intercessory Prayer: 9:30am-11:30am Sanctuary

## Love One Another

#### **Fellowship**

Enjoy "Snacks & Chats" after service on the Fellowship Patio. Fellowship Groups - Wednesdays at various locations.

#### **Finance**

**OR Code to Financial Growth** FREE access to Ramsey+ with world-class financial tools. Pass it on!

Financial Peace University - Sundays 12:30pm

#### Men

Breakfast Bible Study: Monday @ Panera PVB, 7-8:30am. Tuesday @ IHOP Hodges Blvd. 7-8:30am

#### Women

Friday Bible Study- 9:30am to noon

#### **Youth**

Youth Group: 6-12th grade - TBD

Trail Life USA & American Heritage Girls, Tuesday, 6:30pm

## **Share Christ**

**Mission House:** Serve a meal at a local homeless shelter, 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays **Avante Nursing Home**: Monday, 2:00pm. Communion Service with the residents and staff

**Beaches Rescue & Recovery Mission**: Serving the homeless throughout the year.

**Prayer requests & Praise reports** - Share via Connect Cards, online at church-savior.org or, emailed to church@church-savior.org.

# HOLY WEEK 2023

Holy Week is the name given to the week beginning on Palm Sunday and ending on Easter Sunday.

Join Church of Our Savior as we walk through the week with special services.

## Palm Sunday - April 2 @ 9a & 11a

Service begins with the "Procession of The Palms." Gather on the patio to begin worship and enter the sanctuary waving Palms. The service includes a dramatic reading of the "Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ." Holy Communion, Nursery, and 9am Splash Kids.

#### Maundy Thursday - April 6 @ 6p

This service commemorates the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper and Christ's washing of the disciples' feet. This is a Foot Washing service with communion. Nursery is available.

### Good Friday - April 7 @ Noon

In remembrance of the Crucifixion, this somber service examines the last words of Jesus from the Cross. Families are encouraged to attend together, as there will not be a children's program or nursery.

Easter Sunday - April 9 is a time of great rejoicing and worship. The tomb does not get the last word, and we declare, "Alleluia, Christ is risen!"

Celebrate the resurrection at one of our three services.

#### 7a: Sunrise service, outside

Enjoy a lovely view of the rising sun at this casual service on the lawn. You are welcome to bring your camp chair or sit in one provided. Worship includes guitar-led worship and Holy Communion.

#### 9a & 11am: Sanctuary

He is Risen! Easter Sunday is a time of great rejoicing! Bring your family and invite your friends to the celebration of the Resurrection! Holy Communion, Nursery, and 9am Splash Kids.

## 10:15a: Kids Easter Message & Egg Hunt

Kids, grab your basket and head out to the patio for a special Easter message from Pastor David, followed by an egg hunt.

## **WEEKLY ANNOUCEMENTS**

#### **Easter Dedications**

Commemorate your blessings or remember a loved one with an Easter dedication printed in the Easter Bulletin. Fill out the form below or an envelope at Sunday service. Payments of \$10 can be made by check, cash, or online at church-savior.org/give. Be sure to designate Easter Dedications.

Volunteer Opportunity - Sunday, April 9
Beaches Rescue & Recovery Mission (BRRM), a COOS
Ministry Partner. BRRM is located in the heart of Jax
Beach. They provide services that end, not enable, homelessness, depression, and addictions. Help is needed for their Outreach Easter Breakfast. Items needed include breakfast casseroles, meats, sweets, fruit, juices, water bottles, paper goods and YOU! Please see Zann Williams with questions. (904) 403-9399

#### **Fellowship Groups**

Coming together, Wednesday, April 12 for five weeks Fellowship Groups are where we really get to know one another. They are fun, easy and meaningful opportunities to enjoy and care for others at Church Of Our Savior. You will be welcome at any of our three groups. Please sign up so our hosts can connect with you.

6:30p: Mel & Kathleen Porter, Ponte Vedra Beach 7p: John & Kathy Porter, Neptune Beach 7p: Tom & Patti Brodeur, Atlantic Beach

**Interested in baptism... infant, child, or adult?** Contact the Church Office: (904) 821-8558 or Church@churchsavior.org

Serving This Week		
Service Time	9:00	11:00
Assisting Priest	Bruce+	Jim+
Reading	Kathy	Buff
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Bill M	Buff
Ushers	Bill B	Help needed!
Nursery	Trey & Mary	Mary & Trey
Altar Guild Set: M.A. Reset: Michelle Take Down: Linda		

# CHURCH of Our SAVIOR

#### Clergy

The Rev. David Ball, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Chuck Holliday, Asst Pastor of Evangelism & Discipleship
The Rev. Canon James McCaslin, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Bruce Ford, Assisting Priest

#### Vestry

Trey Mamo -Sr Warden Monty Manley - Jr Warden Abby Conolly, Debby Fliger, Theresa Mason, Mike Parsons, Monthly Vestry Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 6pm

#### Office Staff

Chris McCarthy, Business Manager Jen Crews, Connections Coordinator Roxane Andrade, Operations Coordinator Buff Wagner, Bookkeeper & Treasurer

#### **Ministry Staff**

Patti Brodeur, Pastoral Assistant Debbie Godwin, Music Director Roxane Andrade, Nursery Director Gracie Ball, Interim Children's Ministry Director

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