

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Holy Week and Easter 2024

The Journey of our Faith



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Welcome

Dear Saints,

I wonder how you like to go on a journey. Some of us enjoy the familiar, well-trodden path, others prefer the sense of adventure that comes with the unknown. The journey through holy week is both.

Familiar, because year by year we rehearse a story whose end we know well. We seek to enter into it, trusting that in returning once more to the heart of our faith we will find something nourishing there, not least in the act of returning. Faith merits the discipline of remembering that which is most important.

Holy week is also the domain of the unknown, because in an ultimate sense it is the abode of mystery. We know how the story ends—with Christ rising victorious o'er the grave but that does not mean we know what that ending means for us. We return to walk the way of the cross again and again, and stumble our way upon the empty tomb, so that we might see something more of the God whose grace and beauty is far beyond the power of human telling.

I invite you to make your journey with the saints this holy week, trusting that in all you may see you may also receive the gift of a glimpse of the glory of God therein. It is a deep joy for me to be able to share the journey with you.

Peace,

Simon

The Rev. Dr. Simon Mainwaring



Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24

We celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, processing palms around the block before we move inside to hear the dramatic retelling of his passion with live actors, music and holy communion.

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Chapel

9:00 a.m. - Procession of the Palms and Holy Eucharist with Children's Choirs (Ellis Hall)

9:00 a.m. - Procession of the Palms and Holy Eucharist with Adult Choir (Church)

11:15 a.m. - Procession of the Palms and Holy Eucharist with Adult Choir (Church)

5:00 p.m. - The Welcome Table in the Chapel



Holy Week Speaker Series

Monday, March 25 - Wednesday, March 27

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Faith in a Time of Heartbreak:
Israel and Palestine (Ellis Hall)

As we prepare to make our way to the foot of the cross this holy week, this year's speaker series focuses on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The series will invite voices from Israeli and Palestinian perspectives and will ask what it means to be people of faith and agents of God's reconciliation in a time of war. A light lunch will be served.

To RSVP, volunteer to help or for more information contact Annette Sullivan at asullivan@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28

On this day, we observe Jesus' invitation (from which Maundy Thursday takes its name) "That you love one another, as I have loved you." We participate in foot washing, celebrate the institution of the Lord's Supper and follow the story's arc from celebration to abandonment.

7:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist and Tenebrae with Adult Choir (Church)



Good Friday

Friday, March 29

We pray in the shadow of the cross, reflecting on Christ's last words and the meaning of the cross in our lives. Then we collaborate with neighborhood churches to pray the stations of the cross across Midtown Atlanta

12:00 p.m. - A Service of Christ's Last Words for Good Friday (Church)

1:30 p.m. - Midtown Stations of the Cross
(Meet in the Kennedy Courtyard)



Easter Day

Sunday, March 31

We celebrate the paschal mystery: "Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed." Join us for the principal feast of the Christian year, with festival Holy Eucharist, soaring music including timpani and brass, stunning flowers and the full community gathered in joy.

6:00 a.m. - The Great Vigil of Easter (Church)

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite I (Chapel)

9:00 a.m. - Festival Holy Eucharist with Children's and Youth Choirs (Ellis Hall)

9:00 a.m. - Festival Holy Eucharist with Adult Choir (Church)

11:15 a.m. - Festival Holy Eucharist with Adult Choir (Church)

NOTE: There is no The Welcome Table service at 5:00 p.m. on Easter Day.



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