



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

The Sunday of the Passion Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

Holy Eucharist: Rite I

Holy Week 2026

9:30 a.m.

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Order of Service

Liturgy of the Palms
Rite I

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant: 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.*

Matthew 21: 1-11

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

1. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures forever.
2. Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures forever."
19. Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
20. "This is the gate of the Lord; *
he who is righteous may enter."
21. I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
22. The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
23. This is the Lord's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
24. On this day the Lord has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25. Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! *
Lord, send us now success.
26. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
we bless you from the house of the Lord.
27. God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
28. "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
29. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures forever.

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.

Celebrant: 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 forever. **Amen.**

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

People **Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace

People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.*

Processional: *All Glory Laud and Honor*

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Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;

People: **His mercy endureth forever.**

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie: *Kyrie*

Attached

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and ever living 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.*

Old Testament
Isaiah 50: 4-9a

The 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. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

I 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. The 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; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Psalms 31: 9-16

9. Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
10. For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
11. I 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.
12. I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.
13. For 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.
14. But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, "You are my God.
15. My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
16. Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen

**The Epistle
Philippians 2: 5-11**

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross.

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

Gospel Hymn

Glorify Thy Name

Attached

**The Holy Gospel
Matthew 27:11-54**

Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be

crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth

shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Sermon – The Reverend Gerardo Brambila

Prayers of the People

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Prayers of the People Rite I

Lector: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Lector: Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all men: receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word and live in unity and godly love.

People: LORD, hear our prayer.

Lector: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael our presiding bishop, Jennifer our diocesan bishop, and Gerardo our priest, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People: LORD, hear our prayer.

Lector: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People: LORD, hear our prayer.

Lector: We beseech thee also, so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

People: LORD, hear our prayer.

Lector: Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

People: LORD, hear our prayer.

Lector: And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and

succor all who are listed on our Parish Prayer Chain and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

People: **LORD, hear our prayer.**

Lector: I ask your prayers for communities in our cycle of prayer including the Anglican Church of Melanesia, the Episcopal Campus Ministry at the University of Arizona in Tucson, and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Sun City. Pray for joyful celebrations of Christ our King.

People: **LORD, hear our prayer.**

Lector: I ask your prayers for all members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas. We pray specifically for Matt, Zach, Christopher, Tierra, and Kristen. Pray for wise leaders and safe missions.

People: **LORD, hear our prayer.**

Lector: I ask your prayers for all first responders and healthcare professionals. Pray for calm and quiet in our cities and towns.

People: **LORD, hear our prayer.**

Lector: And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples St. Christopher and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

People: **LORD, hear our prayer.**

Silence may be kept.

The Peace

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All stand

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit**

Birthdays/Anniversaries/Travel Blessings

Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

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Offertory Anthem

Hosanna, Ride On – Written and Arranged by Don Palm

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow Hymnal-380 v. 3

The Holy Communion

Rite I Eucharistic Prayer

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God

People: **It is meet and right so to do**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted up high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; who by his suffering and death became the author of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee and saying

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

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Celebrant: All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For on the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it

to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

Fraction Anthem
The Invitation
Distribution

Christ Our Passover

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The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread saying:

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Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People: Grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

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All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn: *Eagle's Wings*

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Post Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: Let us pray

People: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for all that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of the everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou has

prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant's Choice

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. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

Dismissal Hymn *Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus*

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Dismissal Acclamation

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Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Postlude



Today's Worship Leaders

Celebrant:	The Rev Gerardo Brambila
Verger:	Patty Emanuelson
Liturgy of the Palms	Dick Young
Crucifer:	Judi Sock
Gospel Bearer	Betty Roddy
Lectors:	
First Reading and Psalm	Marva Martinez
Second Reading	Diane Plein
Gospel	The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ read by members of the congregation
Prayers of the People	Beth Mayhew
Chalice Bearers:	Betty Roddy & Judi Sock
Music Director	Mr. Don Palm

St. Christopher's Staff

The Rev. Gerardo Brambila, Rector
Cathy Sheredy, Administrative Assistant
Arturo Jaramillo, Sexton
Don Palm, Music Director & Organist
Arturo & Isabel Jaramillo, Hispanic Music Leader & Vocalists

Vestry Members

Patty Emanuelson Senior Warden
Bill Masters, Junior Warden
Diane Plein, Clerk
Mona Guarino, Treasurer
Chinenye Anako, Member-at-large
Marva Martinez, Member-at-large
Maria Salgado, Member-at-large
Mike Sock, Member-at-Large
Dick Young, Member-at-Large

Do you know someone who would benefit from prayer? Contact us! Would you like more information about something you read in the announcements? Contact us! Do you have an idea for fellowship or fund-raising? Contact us! Maybe you would like to talk with Fr. Gerardo? Contact us! Have a pastoral emergency (hospitalization, accident, family issues, something similar)? Contact us! Lots of information on the message! And you can leave one too!

[But, if you have a pastoral emergency, please call Fr. Gerardo at 602-405-4588.](tel:602-405-4588)

Church Office Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Office Phone: 623-972-1100

Kyrie: Kyrie (Sung)..... **Clark**

Choir: Look around you, can you see?
Times are troubled, people grieve.
See the violence, feel the hardness.
All my people weep with me.

All sing refrain:

Voice
Ky - ri - o e - lei - son, Chris - to e - lei - son,

Vo.
ky - ri - o e - lei - son.

Choir and Congregation:
Walk among them; I'll go with you.
Reach out to them with my hands.
Suffer with me, and together
We will serve them, help them stand.

REFRAIN

Choir and Congregation: Forgive them Father; hear our prayer.
We would walk with you anywhere.
Through your suffering with forgiveness,
Take your life into the world.

REFRAIN

Glorify Thy Name

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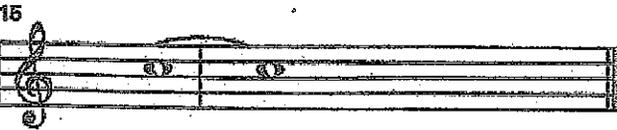
1. Fa ther } we love You, we praise You, we a dore You.
2. Je sus }
3. Spi rit }



Glo ri fy Thy Name in all the earth. _____ Glo ri fy Thy



Name, Glo ri fy Thy Name. Glo ri fy Thy Name in all thy



earth. _____



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Weekly Announcements
March 29, 2026

Our Vision: One congregation worshipping and serving in two languages.

Our Mission: We are the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus: welcoming all to worship and serving those in need to the glory of God.

Please leave the music inserts in the pews or in the narthex. Thank you for helping to save administrative costs.

EASTER AND HOLY WEEK CALENDAR:

Wednesday, April 1 – Holy Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 2 – Maundy Thursday at 5:00 p.m. (English)

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday – Stations of the Cross at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday Service at 11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday – One service at 10:00 a.m. - Bilingual

EASTER BASKET RAFFLE: There will be a drawing during coffee hour on Easter Sunday (after the Easter Sunday service) for the Easter baskets beside the bunnies on the altar. You may get a ticket during coffee hour – only one raffle ticket per family.

EASTER LILIES: We have ordered the Easter lilies to be placed around the altar on Easter Sunday, April 5. There is a sign-up sheet still available in the Narthex if you would like to purchase a lily, or call or email the church office. The cost is \$25 and can be paid by check or cash placed in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the offering plate. The lilies can be taken home after the Easter Service.



SONORAN SOUNDS WOMEN'S CHORALE CONCERT: St. Christopher's is hosting a free concert of the Sonoran Sounds Women's Chorale on **Sunday, April 12 at 3:00 p.m.** The concert is entitled "The Rhythm of My Heart." The event is free for the community with donations welcome but not required. Bring your friends, relatives and neighbors. For more information, contact Diane Plein.

WATER DRIVE: This year we will be collecting money and/or water for Valley View Food Bank as a way of assisting St. Christopher's community. Valley View will provide will share the water with the homeless who find themselves outside in the summer heat. There is a blessings container available to leave monetary donations or you can drop a check or cash (in an envelope) in the offering plate. Be sure to mark the envelope or check "Valley View Water Donation." Thank you.

BIBLE STUDY: One of the best ways to connect and grow in our church community is through small groups. Small groups are a place where we can study God's word together and support each other in our faith journeys. The Bible Study is open to everyone and takes place on **Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall**. Come and join in fellowship.

MORNING PRAYER BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAYS AT 10:05 AM: If you like morning prayer and can't get to church all the time, feel free to join us on Zoom any Wednesday morning around 10:05 – 10:35. For more information, contact Patty Emanuelson, Mona Guarino or Beth Mayhew (602-435-5272). Look forward to seeing you!



BOOKSTORE: Lent/Easter is the holiest time of the year. The Resurrection is what defines us as Christians. The bookshop table reflects this. Here you will find items for the season. Low prices continue. Also new is the games table.

NAME BADGES: We ask everyone to please remember to wear your name badge as it would be of immense help for Fr. Gerardo, new parishioners, and visitors. If you need a name badge, please contact the office. If you ordered a name badge, please check your mail cart in the Narthex.



FELLOWSHIP AND COFFEE HOUR NEEDS YOUR HELP! Coffee hour needs donations of cookies, donuts, coffee cakes, fruit trays, or anything you would like to bring. We are always looking for an extra set of hands to help in the kitchen. Sign up in the kitchen.

We really do appreciate the help everyone gives each week! Thank you!

FOOD BANK/FOOD DRIVE: Next week is “Canned Goods” Sunday. Valley View Food Bank is always in need of canned goods—canned vegetables, fruit, including low salt and low sugar, canned meat (spam, etc), canned tuna, sardines, salmon.. Please bring any canned goods to share. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

Monthly Food Bank Donations

	March 23	2026
Weight	160 lbs.	530 lbs.
Cash	\$100.00	\$300.00

Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

	March 23	March Total	2026 Year Total
Bargains	\$524.50	\$3,172.50	\$4,848.30

Bookstore	\$60.00	\$363.60	\$512.00
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Happy Birthday



Happy Birthday to Everyone Celebrating in March

Lili Valenzuela Vidal	March 03	Dasyre Roddy	March 22
Kabrina Slaten	March 04	Wilma Hammond	March 25
Carmen García Zepeda	March 05	Virginia Swisher	March 25
Francisco Aguilar	March 07	Ashleigh Johnson	March 28
Jocelyn Valles	March 08	Jason Luna Guerrero	March 30
William Alburez Fabian Jr.	March 16		



Happy Anniversary in March

Trinidad A. & Trinidad D. Fabela	March 15	55 years
Veronica Sanchez & Aurelio Valles	March 22	24 years

PRAYERS

Our first and most vital request is for your prayers. As St. Paul exhorted the Thessalonians, *“Brothers and sisters, pray for us”* (1 Thessalonians 5: 25). Your spiritual support is the bedrock upon which this ministry is built.

This Week’s Prayer List

One of the ways we care for one another in this church is through prayer. We believe that prayer is powerful and can bring comfort, healing, and peace. Today, we pray for the people below.

- * Kelli Abel * Juan Gabriel Aleman * Anne * Jim Barnette * Marcia Bledsoe * Viviana Brambila *
- * Judy Broeder * Jan Browning & granddaughter Kia * Tim Buffery * Tom Camper * John Card *
- * Clive Chancey * Claudio * Jane Cooley * Jean Durrett * Thomas Dyer * Fr. Gerardo * Cathy & Gary Gustin *
- * Michael Heap * Judith * Kim * Gene Lapham * Terry Lewis * Domingo Lopez * Ernesto Martinez *
- * Marva Martinez * Brenda McCormick * Mia * Shawn Mirigian * Joanne Mola * Bryan Nance *
- * Marla Karla Pallas * Don Palm * Sandy Patrick * Joanne Porter * Ramon * Jill Renner * Rick & Robbie *
- * Betty Roddy * Javier Sanchez * Socorro Sanchez * Sherrie * Stella * Kurt Tetrick * Anna Van Scoter *
- * Victoria * Lynn Viviano-Webb * Ester Zamora *

For those who have died

* Marilyn Hunter * Eileen Waldren *

Vestry

Patty Emanuelson, Senior Warden * Bill Masters, Junior Warden,
Diane Plein, Clerk of the Vestry * Mona Guarino, Treasurer

Members at Large

Chinenye Anako * Marva Martinez * Maria Salgado * Mike Soock * Dick Young *

St. Christopher's Staff

The Rev. Gerardo Brambila, Rector * Cathy Sheredy, Administrative Assistant
Arturo Jaramillo, Sexton
Don Palm, Music Director & Organist
Arturo & Isabel Jaramillo, Hispanic Music Leaders & Vocalists

Contact Us!

Do you know someone who would benefit from prayer? Contact us! Would you like more information about something you read in the announcements? Contact us! Do you have an idea for fellowship or fund-raising? Contact us! Maybe you would like to talk with Father Gerardo? Contact us! Have a pastoral emergency (hospitalization, accident, family issues, something similar)? Contact us! Lots of information in the message! And you can leave one too! **But, if you have a pastoral emergency, please call Father Gerardo at 602-405-4588 and leave a message.**

Church Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Office Phone: 623-972-1100.

*Friendly Reminder: All changes and submissions for the bulletin and/or announcements for Sunday, April 5 needs to be in the office by **Thursday, April 2** at noon to be included. Thank you.*