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Voices of Faith at Faith

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To the beloved Faithful Islanders and beyond.

Our Lenten Season has drawn closer to an end. We are now in the midst of Holy Week. Passion Week (also known as Holy Week) is the time from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday (Resurrection Sunday). Also included within Passion Week are Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday, Spy Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Passion Week is so named because of the passion with which Jesus willingly went to the cross in order to pay for the sins of His people. Passion Week is described in Matthew chapters 21-27; Mark chapters 11-15; Luke chapters 19-23; and John chapters 12-19. Passion Week begins with the triumphal entry on Palm Sunday on the back of a colt as prophesied in Zechariah 9:9.

Passion Week contained several memorable events. Jesus cleansed the Temple for the second time (Luke 19:45-46), then disputed with the Pharisees regarding His authority. Then He gave His Olivet Discourse on the end times and taught many things, including the signs of His second coming. Jesus ate His Last Supper with His disciples in the upper room (Luke 22:7-38), then went to the garden of Gethsemane to pray as He waited for His hour to come. It was here that Jesus, having been betrayed by Judas, was arrested and taken to several sham trials before the chief priests, Pontius Pilate, and Herod (Luke 22:54-23:25).

Following the trials, Jesus was scourged at the hands of the Roman soldiers, then was forced to carry His own instrument of execution (the Cross) through the streets of Jerusalem along what is known as the Via Dolorosa (way of sorrows). Jesus was then crucified at Golgotha on the day before the Sabbath, was buried and

remained in the tomb until Sunday, the day after the Sabbath, and then gloriously resurrected.

It is referred to as Passion Week because in that time, Jesus Christ truly revealed His passion for us in the suffering He willingly went through on our behalf. What should our attitude be during Passion Week? We should be passionate in our worship of Jesus and in our proclamation of His Gospel! As He suffered for us, so should we be willing to suffer for the cause of following Him and proclaiming the message of His death and resurrection. For Further Study. [Thank you AI for the summary]

The Final Days of Jesus: The Most Important Week of the Most Important Person Who Ever Lived by Kostenberger,

We have come this far by faith, even if it's the size of a mustard seed, the smallest of plant seeds.

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Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. No meal before the service.

Good Friday Service on Friday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. No meal before the service.

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Easter lilies for the sanctuary for Easter are on sale. Cost per lily is \$18.00. You can place your order through the church.

CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026. COME AND JOIN US!!!!



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WELCOMING OUR NEW MUSICIAN

We welcome our new musician David (Davey) Beckley. David is a student at Charleston Southern University and is engaged in aeronautics/pilot. Besides being an excellent musician (music/piano/brass) he plays golf, and loves bowling. Davey is Bobby and Muriel Bellah's grandnephew. Thank you Davey for your ministry to the Saints at Faith Lutheran Church in Johns Island. Davey is busy at work on a Sunday morning.



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Thank you to the Bradleys for providing the main course meal for the Wednesday suppers before the services. Thank you to the Saints who brought side dishes.



Thank you to the Saints who provided a sumptuous meal for our potluck after the service (03/29).

Thank you to the Saints who provided candy for the Easter Egg Hunt for our youngies. And thank you to all those who supervised the entire performance.

Thank you to the Passion Story readers, you helped proclaim the Good News. Thank you especially to our young ones who helped with the readings in March, Cali Brisbin and Holden Ammons.

Thank you to the Gaineys (Anthony, Jenny, Simon, and Maggie) for preparing the sanctuary for Palm Sunday.

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CELEBRATING THE APRIL BIRTHDAY SAINTS:



- 04/03 Holden Ammons
- 04/06 Trish Bradley
- 04/10 Robert Bellah Jr.
- 04/11 Dave Lee

04/16 Cheryl Herns
 04/17 Rick Brisbin
 04/18 Maggie Gainey
 04/22 Jamie Bellah

Ushers Jimmy Sykes & Jim Jones
Communion Assistant Sharon Hite
Communion Prep Sharon Hite



REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS:
 Mrs. Dukes, Andrea Brisbin, Trish Bradley’s family at the passing of her father Carl Simmons, Roy Kimbrell, Bobby Bellah, Stephen Bellah, Nettie Poulnot’s family and loved ones, Jimmy Farr’s family, Pastor Josh Knutson’s family and his congregations (Christ Community Church, North Charleston and St. Michael’s Lutheran Church, Moncks Corner) after his untimely death, Bishop Ginny Aebischer, Mike Shuey, Mikie Floyd, Ken Herns, Rick Hartley, Bobby Webb, Patricia Beruf, Reid Melton, Jay O’Neill, Phil Ammons, Pat Lane, Helena Bradford, Donna Porritt, Nettie Poulnot, Dolores Dukes, Matthew Sharbrough, Trisha Melton, Harry Rakowski.



SERVING – Sunday, April 5, 2026
Lector & Prayer Leader Arnold Hite
Acolyte Holden Ammons



We are in the process of updating our members and friends directory. Please take a moment to update your information. Thank you in advance!

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WE ARE STARTING A KID’S CHOIR

We welcome children to join the choir. To qualify for the choir, each kid has to have a pulse and be ready to sing to the Lord for the sake of His world. Please let Pastor Thulie or Mandy Summers know if your youngie is in!!!



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For the Children’s Sermon on Easter Sunday the pastor asked the children what Easter was. The first kid gladly raised his hand and said that Easter was when they wore costumes and went out trick or treating in the neighborhood. And the pastor said, “No, that’s Halloween.” And the second kid gladly raised her hand and said that Easter was when baby Jesus was born and that they got good gifts from family. And the pastor said, “No, that is Christmas.” The third kid raised his hand and said, “I know, I know, I know this one. It’s when Jesus is comes from a big hole in the ground to the outside.” And the pastor was getting excited that this kid got it, and the kid continued, “and then Jesus sees His shadow and then goes back into the hole again.”

And the pastor said, “No, that is groundhog day.” Come and find out what Easter is....

Peace, Pastor Thulie