THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
PALM SUNDAY

April 5, 2020

Holy Eucharist at 11:00 am
Our worship is according to The Book of Common Prayer. This leaflet contains everything you will need to participate actively.

ANTIPHON
Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

PRELUDE
Hosanna filio David

Jeanne Demessieux

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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 thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.


Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 Nazareh in Galilee.”

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People: It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: It is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou hast redeemed us through thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People: Hosanna in the highest!
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HYMN 154

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children made sweet Hosannas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Israel, thou David’s royal Son,
2 The company of angels is praising thee on high;
3 The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
4 To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,

1 who in the Lord’s Name comest, the King and Blessed One.
2 and we with all creation in chorus make reply.
3 our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present.
4 to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
5 who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: Valet will ich dir geben, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

THE WORD OF GOD

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent
thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 50:4-9a  All sit.

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?

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29 (read responsively)

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
   his mercy endures for ever.
2 Let Israel now proclaim,
   “His mercy endures for ever.”
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 for ever.
SECOND LESSON: 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.

HYMN 450  

6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him aspire, and

1 All hail the power of Je-sus' Name! Let angels prostrate
2 Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da-vid's line, whom Da-vid Lord did
4 Ye heirs of Is-rael's chosen race, ye ransomed of the
5 Sin-ners, whose love can ne'er forget the worm-wood and the
HOMILY

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

NICENE CREED    All stand.

All:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, light of light,

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very God of very God.
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
through him all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the
Virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to
the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord,
and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe in one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE   All sit or kneel.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and
supplications, and to give thanks for all people: 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.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our
Presiding Bishop, and Andrew, Allen and Mary, our Bishops, that they may, both by their life
and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy
Sacraments.

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.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this
and every land, especially Donald our President, Andrew our Governor, and all those who serve
with them, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

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.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We continue to lift up all those affected by the coronavirus both here and abroad, and we remember those on our parish prayer list: Wendell, Augustine, Tom, Leonor, Lou, Margery, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacy, Ryan, Aurora, Liz, Maya, Carla, Frank, Al, Jim, Joan, Virginia, Roger, Aziza, Brett, Cherri, Andrea, Nadia, Keilani, Shagdar, Margherita, John, Padmini and Mihail; and those we name now in silence or aloud.

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

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the Glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.
THE PEACE  *All stand.*

_Celebrant:_ The peace of the Lord be always with you.

_All:_ And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

*Each week, an offering is collected as a symbol of our life and labor and to support the work of the church. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, please visit [www.churchoftheincarnation.org](http://www.churchoftheincarnation.org). Thank you for your generosity.*

SOLO

Ride on, King Jesus!  
Spiriritual, arr. Burleigh

Ride on, King Jesus!  No man can-a hinder me.
Ride on, King Jesus, ride on!  No man can-a hinder me.

I was but young when I begun, no man can-a hinder me.
But now my race is almost done, no man can-a hinder me.

_Refrain_

King Jesus rides a milk-white horse, no man can-a hinder me.
The river of Jordan he did cross, no man can-a hinder me.

_Refrain_

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

_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.

_Celebrant:_ It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who for our sins was lifted 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,
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  

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 in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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, our selves, 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 offences, 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. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

All:

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,
    for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast.
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AGNUS DEI (sung by all)  S 159

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Celebrant receives the Body and Blood of Christ on behalf of the people gathered in person and online. All those who are unable to be present are able to receive a Spiritual Communion, as the Prayer Book directs on page 457: “If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disablement, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth.”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everlasting God, we most heartily thank thee for 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 thy 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 hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our

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Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Almighty God, we pray thee graciously to behold this thy 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 liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. Amen.

ORGAN The Passion Chorale Johannes Brahms

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha, all stand.

Evangelist 1: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

Evangelist 2: Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

Evangelist 1: Jesus said, “You say so.”

Evangelist 2: But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer.

Evangelist 1: Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?”

Evangelist 2: But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Evangelist 1: 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.

Evangelist 2: 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.

Evangelist 1: 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.”

Evangelist 2: Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed.

Evangelist 1: The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?”

Evangelist 2: And they said, “Barabbas.”

Evangelist 1: Pilate said to them, “Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the

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Evangelist 2: All of them said, “Let him be crucified!”

Evangelist 1: Then he asked, “Why, what evil has he done?”

Evangelist 2: But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!”

Evangelist 1: 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.”

Evangelist 2: Then the people as a whole answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!”

Evangelist 1: So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Evangelist 2: 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.

Evangelist 1: 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.

Evangelist 2: After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

Evangelist 1: As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.

All stand.

Evangelist 2: 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.

Evangelist 1: 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.

Evangelist 2: Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.”

Evangelist 1: Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.

Evangelist 2: 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.”

Evangelist 1: 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

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trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, ‘I am God’s Son.’”

Evangelist 2: The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

Evangelist 1: From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

Evangelist 2: And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Evangelist 1: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “This man is calling for Elijah.”

Evangelist 2: 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.

Evangelist 1: But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”

Evangelist 2: Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

Evangelist 1: At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.

Evangelist 2: 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.

Evangelist 1: 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!”

After all leave in silence, the lights are extinguished, and silent meditation is observed to remember the abandonment of Christ to his Passion.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, Interim Priest in Charge
The Rev. Richard S.J. Pike, Interim Associate
David Ralph, Interim Director of Music
Dr. Uche Akwuba II, Master of Ceremonies
Jacquelyn Carson, Head Usher
Enrico Shillingford, Sacristan

Jess Dannhauser, Lay Reader and Prayer Leader
Alex Guerrero, tenor

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A Prayer for Spiritual Reception of Communion

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I pray you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affection of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

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