

Palm Sunday: The Sunday of the Passion

Trinity Episcopal Church – Swarthmore, Pennsylvania

April 5, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.



[The same online link to readings sent in advance can be found [here](#).]

Prelude "Ah, Holy Jesus" Brahms

The Liturgy of the Palms

Presider Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord;

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Presider 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.

People **Amen.**

A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew (Matt. 21:1-11)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

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 for ever. **Amen.**

Presider and People

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Hymn

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

Hymnal 154

Refrain:

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

Stanza 1

Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest,
the King and Blessèd One. **Refrain**

Stanza 3

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present. **Refrain**

Stanza 5

Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King. **Refrain**

The Collect of the Day

The Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:9-16

Taizé song "Jesus, remember me" Jacques Berthier
Words: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (x 2)

The Gospel According to Matthew Matthew 27:11-54

Homily

Prayers of the People

During the prayers, the Intercessor prays, "Lord, in your mercy," to which the People respond, "Hear our prayer."

The Intercessor says

We pray to you, O God, for the needs of the World, the Church, and of this congregation...

Confession and Absolution

O God, you search us out and know us, and all that we are is open to you.

We confess that we have sinned.

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your grace.

When we avoid examining ourselves, but jump to examine our neighbors:

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your hope.

When we show great discipline in pursuit of worldly wealth, but invest neither energy nor enthusiasm in the treasures of the Spirit:

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your light.

When we clamor for your crown, but refuse to shoulder your cross:

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your love.

When we confess you amongst your friends, but deny you when your enemies close in:

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your Spirit.

When we build our comforts and pleasures on the sacrifices of others, instead of sacrificing our privileges to build a world that all can share:

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your truth.

When we would rather crucify the prophets than unweave the web of injustice.

Be merciful, Lord, and fill us with your light.

When we demand instant results and scorn those who find value in waiting, in yearning, even in suffering, even in dying;

Be merciful, Lord and fill us with your life.

When we look for an easier Gospel; a lighter cross, a less demanding Savior:

Be merciful, Lord, for we have sinned, and you are gracious.

The Presider offers a concluding collect and bids the sharing of a sign of God's peace, saying

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory "Mache dich, mein Herze, rein" J.S. Bach

Make thyself clean, my heart, from sin; for I would bury my Lord.

May He find rest in me, ever in eternity, Let his sweet repose be here. World, depart, let Jesus in!

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues with an acclamation praising God in relation to the Passion of Jesus Christ, concluding,

Therefore we praise you, joining with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

1982 hymnal S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Presider continues with an account of God's saving grace as focused in the last supper, at which Jesus instituted the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Presider Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Together **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Presider then calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the elements of bread and wine, that through them we may be connected to God in the sacrifice of Christ and in risen life with him, and that we may be connected to one another in the Spirit.

The Lord's Prayer

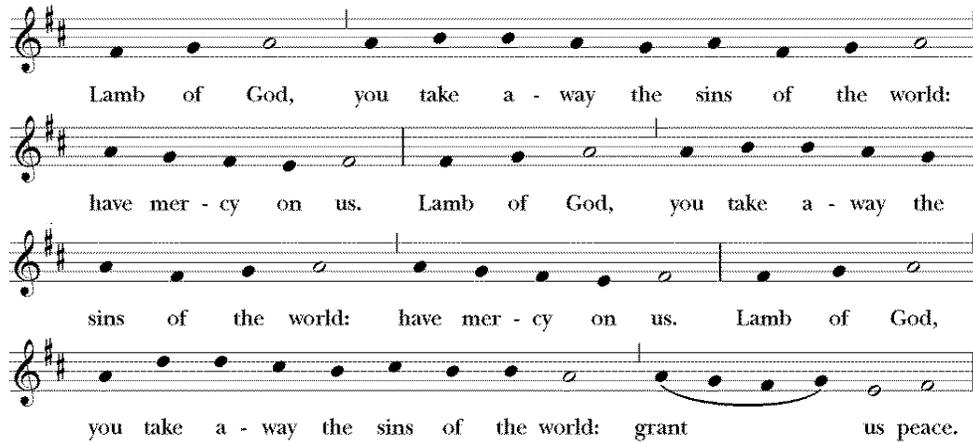
Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, **who trespass against us.**
hallowed be thy Name, **And lead us not into temptation,**
thy kingdom come, **but deliver us from evil.**
thy will be done, **For thine is the kingdom,**
on earth as it is in heaven. **and the power, and the glory,**
Give us this day our daily bread. **for ever and ever. Amen**
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance...

Agnus Dei

1982 hymnal S-161



Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us bread from heaven to nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us, we pray, to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from your mouth: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn after Communion

"O Sacred Head, sore wounded"

1982 hymnal, #168

Stanza 1

O sacred head, sore wounded,
 defiled and put to scorn;
 O kingly head, surrounded
 with mocking crown of thorn:
 what sorrow mars thy grandeur?
 Can death thy bloom deflower?
 O countenance whose splendor
 the hosts of heaven adore!

Stanza 3

In thy most bitter passion
 my heart to share doth cry,
 with thee for my salvation
 upon the cross to die.

Ah, keep my heart thus movèd
 to stand thy cross beneath,
 to mourn thee, well-belovèd,
 yet thank thee for thy death.

Stanza 4

What language shall I borrow
 to thank thee, dearest friend,
 for this thy dying sorrow,
 thy pity without end?
 Oh, make me thine forever!
 and should I fainting be,
 Lord, let me never, never,
 outlive my love for thee.

A Solemn Prayer

(*Book of Occasional Services*)

Presider 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.

People Amen.

Dismissal

A deacon or priest bids the congregation go forth, to which the people respond,

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"O Lamb of God Unspotted"

J.S. Bach



Special Events and Offerings in Holy Week and Easter Day

Links to all services are below and will be posted on website.

Monday through Wednesday

8:00 am

Morning Prayer (*with Fr. Ted*)

[\(Click here to connect.\)](#)

+ Priest available* for pastoral conversation: Monday, 8:30–3:00 pm; Tuesday, 8:30-11:00 am and 7:30 – 9:00 pm. *Appointments required, conversations by Zoom or phone

Maundy Thursday, April 9 **6:30 pm** **Agapé Supper and Footwashing at Home**
([Click here to connect.](#))

+ Join Fr. Ted, Mary and William by Zoom from home!

Good Friday, April 10 **5:00 pm** **Prayer Book liturgy, *abbreviated***
([Click here to connect.](#))

+ Homemade Stations of the Cross – We are hoping to organize enough people to post pictures online of homemade Stations. Please look online how to sign up and make your own Station of the Cross. To make all 14 Stations, we'll need volunteers!

Holy Saturday, April 11 ***No Easter Vigil liturgy***

+ Readings will be sent by email and posted online for personal meditations. Consider reading some or all at dinner on Saturday evening!

Easter Day, April 12 **10:00 am** **Holy Eucharist, Rite II**
([Click here to connect.](#))

+ With choral quartet from the Trinity Chancel, as possible.



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