



ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN

Palm Sunday

SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH, 2021, 10:30AM

Prelude: The Palms

J-B Faure

Welcome and Announcements

The Liturgy of the Palms

The Greeting

Presider: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. On this day, our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph. The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise, but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering and death. Today we greet him as our King, although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by the dark road of suffering and death. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.

Let us pray. Assist us mercifully with your help, Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us begin our journey.

Prayer of the Day

The Proclamation of the Word of God

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4–9a

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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?

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Hymn: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Tune: MORNING LIGHT #461

Hosanna, loud hosanna the happy children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,
The victory palm-branch waving, and singing clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Content that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer; earth, let your anthems ring.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his humble presence eternally rejoice!

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church in Philippi.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

The Gospel of the Palms: Mark 11:1-11

Narrator 1: Jesus and the disciples were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying,

People: See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again.

Narrator 2: When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them,

People: Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you,

“Why are you doing this?” just say this, “The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.”

Narrator 1: They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them,

People: “What are you doing, untying this colt?”

Narrator 1: They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

Narrator 1 & 2: Hosanna!

People: Hosanna!

Narrator 1 & 2: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

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

Narrator 1 & 2: Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

People: Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Narrator 1 & 2: Hosanna in the highest heaven!

People: Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Narrator 2: Then Jesus entered Jerusalem.

Hymn: All Glory, Laud and Honour

CP #181

*All glory, laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one. *Refrain.*

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

To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee now high exalted our melody we raise. *Refrain.*

Narrator 1: Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves; and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. He was teaching and saying,

People: “Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations?’ But you have made it a den of robbers.”

Narrator 1: And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching.

Palm Sunday Reflection: The Rev. Canon Dr. Andrew Sheldon

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

Musical Reflection: Pie Jesu

G. Fauré

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Cantor: In God Alone my Soul can Find Rest

CP #563

(Please respond to the petitions by saying, "Lord, hear and have mercy.")

Cantor: In God Alone my Soul can Find Rest

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The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

Postlude: The Holy City

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