

# St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church The Rev. David J. Malek

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

March 24, 2024

#### THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

**Celebrant:** Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**Celebrant:** 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*.

# The Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-10 (read by the Celebrant)

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

# Blessing of the palms

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, siblings in Christ, God is

with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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*.

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

People: Hosanna in the highest.

The Procession

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn # 154

Valet will ich dir geben

# 154

# The Liturgy of the Palms: Processional



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. Wiliam Henry Monk (1823-1889)

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#### THE WORD OF GOD

**Celebrant:** Sisters and brothers, siblings in Christ, God is with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty and everliving 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 50:4-9

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 yindicates 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?

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

# The Response

#### Psalm 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.

# 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn:** #435 At the name of Jesus (v. 1-3, Gospel, v.4)

The Gospel John 12:12-16

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Introduction to Holy Week** 

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People

**Celebrant:** As we journey this week with Christ and celebrate the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection, let us earnestly pray to God for those following the way of the cross and for all peoples everywhere.

# **Worship Leader:**

Enter our hearts this day and every day, O Christ.

and lead us on this walk of love, o Lord

Lead each member of your church in humility as we walk together. Guide our bishops and priests and deacons so that your glory may be revealed through them in your word and sacraments.

Lead us on this walk of love, O Lord.

Lead the authorities of every country in the way of justice for all of their citizens and peace between neighbors and nations.

Lead us on this walk of love, O Lord.

Lead each of us to reach out our hands and hearts in love where there is suffering and anxiety, sickness and grief.

Lead us on this walk of love, O Lord.

Lead us to lead lives that please you as we walk this earth so that with those who have died, we may join you in your eternal home.

Lead us on this walk of love, O Lord.

# We pray for our Parishioners

# For our friends and relatives

# We also pray for the ministry of:

# In the Diocesan Cycle of prayer:

**Celebrant:** Blessed are you, O Lord our God, whose Son humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death. Receive the prayers we offer this day for all those in need in everyplace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### The Confession

**Celebrant:** Let us confess our sins to God.

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

#### The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

#### The Peace

**Celebrant**: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### Announcements

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Celebrant**: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem: Prepare the Way for the Lord - Joanne Brown LeDoux

Please stand as the gifts are brought to the altar

#### PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW



Text: LM; verses 1, 4, Thomas Ken, 1637–1711; verses 2, 3, Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510–1561, alt.

**Celebrant:** God is with you.

People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

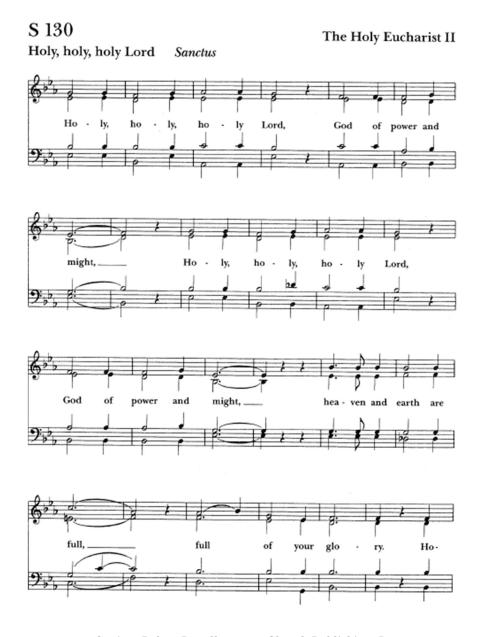
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

# Celebrant and People

#### Sanctus



Setting: Robert Powell, © 1985 Church Publishing, Inc.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Barnabas and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.

Prayer for the Breaking of the Bread:

Lord Jesus Christ, by the will of the Father and work of the Holy Spirit, your death has brought life to the world, Grant that, by your sacred body and blood, we might be freed from all of our sins and every evil. Keep us faithful to your teaching, and never let us be parted from you, who are Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Agnus Dei

Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God Agnus Dei









Setting: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

**Celebrant:** So come you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. You who are full of faith or full of doubt. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come up for a blessing.

**Communion Hymn:** #458 My song is love unknown

#### Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### Celebrant and People:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

# THE PASSION GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

The congregation is invited to remain seated for the Passion Gospel until the arrival at Golgotha.

#### THE PRAYERS OVER THE PEOPLE

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord.

#### THE SENDING

**Celebrant:** Go in peace.

On this day no response is given. The congregation is invited to depart in silence.

