



the Church
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

The Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday
April 5, 2020
Liturgy of the Palms with Ante-Communion

Welcome to the Church of St Peter and St Simon the Apostle.

Clergy: The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Organist: Robin Davis

Mass Setting: Kyrie – *Mass for 4 Voices* – Wm Byrd



The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: *Improvisation on Pange Lingua*

The Liturgy of the Palms

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

All **Hosanna in the highest.**

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 way of 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.**

Gospel of the Palms *Matthew 21.1-11*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When they 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 fulfil 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 Nazareth in Galilee."

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our 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. The Hebrews acclaimed Jesus as Messiah and King, with palm branches in their hands, crying, Hosanna in the highest. May we also, carrying these emblems, go forth to meet Christ 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.

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory, may we, walking in the way of the cross, find it is for us the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Kyrie Eleison

WM BYRD

Choir Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us,
Lord have mercy upon us.

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

Epistle *Philippians 2.5-11*

Reader The Epistle is written in the second chapter of St Paul's Letter to the Philippians beginning at the 5th verse.

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.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31.9-16

Tone III.5



Cantor ¹⁰ Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I **am** in trou-ble:

* and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul and **my** bo-dy.

All ¹¹ For my life is waxen **old** with sor-row :

* and my years **with** mourn-ing.

Cantor ¹² My strength faileth me because of **my** ad-^{ver}-si-ty :

* and my bones are **con**-sum-èd.

All ¹³ I am become a reproach because of **all** mine ên-e-mies :

* and especially unto **my** neigh-boÿrs;

Cantor ¹⁴ And they of mine acquaintance **are** a-fraid of me :

* and they that see me in the street **flee** from mè.

All ¹⁵ I am clean forgotten, as a **dead** man ôut of mind :

* I am become like a bro-**ken** ves-sèl.

Cantor ¹⁶ For I have heard the whispering of the multitude, and fear **is** on^{ev}-ry side :

* while they conspire against me, and plot to take a-**way** my life.

All ¹⁷ But my hope hath **been** in^{thee}, O LORD;

* I have said, 'Thou **art** my God.'

Cantor ¹⁸ My **times** areⁱⁿ thy hand;

* deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that per-**se**-cute mè.

All ¹⁹ Show thy servant the light **of** thy^{coun}-te-nance,

* and save me for **thy** mer-^{cy}'s sake.

Gradual 182 *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

WINCHESTER NEW

The Passion *Matthew 27.11-66*

Celebrant The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to St Matthew.

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the

governor was greatly amazed. 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. 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. While he was sitting on the judgement 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." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!" 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." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. 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. 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. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. 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. 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. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. 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." 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 trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema

sabachthani?" That is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." 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. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. 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. 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!"

Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first." Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can." So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

Hymn 184 *My Song Is Love Unknown*

LOVE UNKNOWN

Nicene Creed

Celebrant I believe in one God,

All **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; very God, of very God;**

**begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father;
 through whom 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, the giver of life,
 who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
 who spake by the prophets. And I believe 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.**

Choir *Benedictus* from *Mass for 4 Voices*

Benedictus qui venit
 in nomine Domini.
 Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest

Intercessions

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our oblations, and to 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 they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, in thy mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant Elizabeth our Queen, and to all that are put in authority

under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue. Lord, in thy mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servants Andrew and Kevin our Bishops, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially 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. Lord, in thy mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired. Lord, in thy mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord. **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Lenten Prose

Refrain:

All



Hear us O Lord, have mer-cy u-pon us, For we have sin - ned against - Thee.

Cantor To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory; lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings : listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. **Refrain**

Cantor O thou chief Corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father : Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial : cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement. **Refrain**

Cantor God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated : bow down and hearken
to thy weeping children : pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. ***Refrain***

Cantor Sins oft committed now we lay before thee : with true contrition,
now no more we veil them : grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. ***Refrain***

Cantor Innocent, captive, taken unresisting : falsely accused ,
and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer. ***Refrain***

Concluding Prayers

Lord's Prayer – said together

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 them that 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.**

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 185 *Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle*

(Tune CP 50) PANGE LINGUA

Postlude *Adagio for Strings*

SAMUEL BARBER

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pages 297-300, and pages 234-238
and the Book of Common Prayer.



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