
PALM SUNDAY



APRIL 5, 2020

Holy Eucharist
9:30 am

Livestream Service



ST. THOMAS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All rise as able and sing.

THE OPENING HYMN



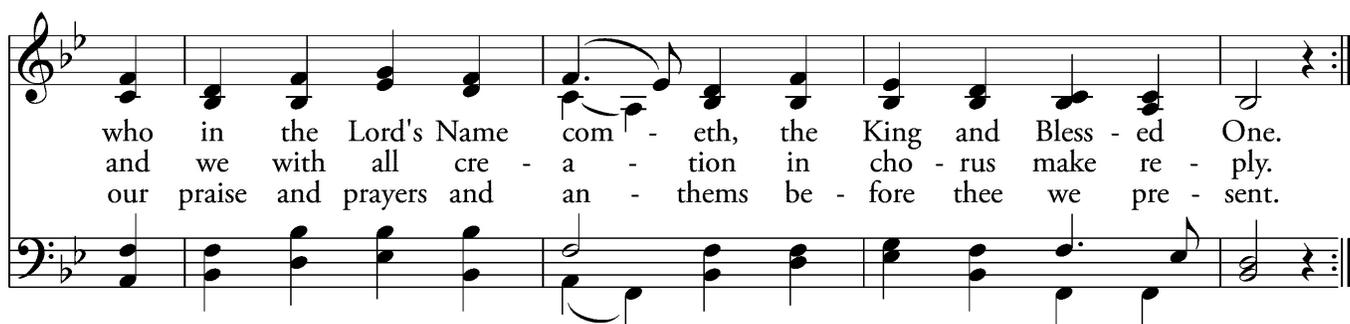
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring. FINE



1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;



who in the Lord's Name com - eth, the King and Bless - ed One.
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.

Hymnal 1982, 154, 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)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord.
All **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**
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.

All **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

THE FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (50:4-9a)

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The cantor sings the refrain, then all join. The congregation then sings the refrain as indicated.

THE PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

Music by Lacey Brown

Give thanks to the Lord for God is good.

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Give thanks to the Lord for God's mer - cy en - dures

GIVE THANKS to the Lord, for the Lord is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now declare,

“God's mercy endures forever.”

14 The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

15 Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

16 The Right hand of the Lord is exalted!

The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!”

17 I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the Lord. **Refrain**

18 The Lord indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

20 “This is the gate of the Lord;
here the righteous may enter.”

21 I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation. **Refrain**

22 The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 By the Lord has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. **Refrain**

THE SECOND READING

A Reading from the Letter to the 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.

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All Thanks be to God.

All rise as able and sing.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal

judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish

by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.

158; words: Johann Heermann, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges
Music: Herzliebster Jesu, Johann Crüger, alt.

THE GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (19:28-40)

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

AFTER TELLING A PARABLE to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

All are seated.

SERMON Steve Best

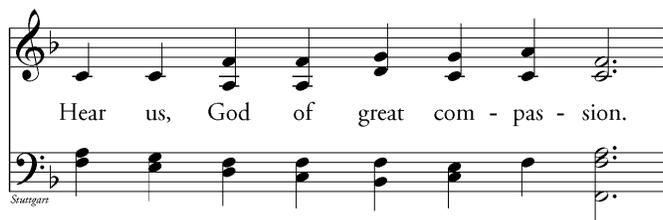
Silence follows the sermon.

All rise as able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For this we pray.

In the midst of the prayer:



Intercessor O God, our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. In this challenging and uncertain time of global pandemic and health crisis, we come before you offering our prayers on behalf of those in need, the Church and the world.

We pray for the Church, that it may not grow weary of proclaiming the gospel and serve as beacons of hope to a suffering world. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Greg our Bishop, our clergy and staff, and all who minister in your name. For this we pray.

All **Hear us, God of great compassion.**

Intercessor We pray for the leaders of the nations that they would work together to bring down barriers that divide and build bonds of trust that benefit the entire human family. For this we pray.

All **Hear us, God of great compassion.**

Intercessor We pray for all public health and government officials in our nation that they would act wisely, swiftly and decisively. We pray especially for our President, Congress, Governor, and all local officials. For this we pray.

All **Hear us, God of great compassion.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are sick with the coronavirus and those who remain quarantined. May they have access to medical care and regain their strength and health; grant them your healing grace. Give strength to all who are caring for loved ones. For this we pray.

All **Hear us, God of great compassion.**

Intercessor We pray for healthcare workers, first responders, grocery clerks, sanitation workers and all who stand on the front lines of providing care and critical services. Grant them courage and protection as they put the needs of public safety before their own. For this we pray.

All **Hear us, God of great compassion.**

Intercessor Let us pray for all in need of healing, peace, and comfort, especially
All **Bill, Vicky, Charlotte, John, Grant, Don, Greg Howard, Bob, Chip, Michael, Cynthia, Xinmei (“Shee-May”), Sarah, Roy, Tracy, Sheryl, Karl, Pat, Will, Bob, Nancy, Eric, Hannah, Chuck, Susan, Chuck Jr., Kathleen, Matthew, Caroline, L’Louise, Margo, and Jeannine.**

Intercessor And we pray for the blessed departed, especially

All **Cindy, Page, Cecil, Ray, William, John, and George.**

Intercessor Please add your own intercessions and thanksgivings either silently or out loud.

Presider Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your wings of mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

We greet one another with a sign of peace.

Exchanging the Peace: *In this time where we are not able to greet each other with a handshake or a hug, please consider reaching out to anyone to whom you might offer the Peace of Christ. Please also consider extending this blessing to someone with whom your relationship might be difficult or strained. This is one way for us to Be The Church.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

ANTHEM *Hosanna to the Son of David* Healey Willan

All rise as able and sing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider *Congregation*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might: heav - en and earth are full,
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Franz Schubert

Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

Presider After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***All* We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Mary, blessed Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Presider By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

***All* AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.
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 Bread is broken.

FRACTION ANTHEM

All sing.

1. Je - sus, Bread of Life, have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, Wine of
 Hap - pi - ness, have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, shine bright - ly, shine
 bright - ly in the world. Je - sus, Hope of all, give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider O Holy Trinity, we believe that you are present in this most Blessed Sacrament. We love you above all things and we desire to receive You into our souls. Since we cannot now gather physically around this Holy Altar, come spiritually into our hearts through the holy ministry of your priesthood, of which you remain our great High Priest.

All **Amen.**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION MUSIC

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a
 prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
 count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
 Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

- Presider* The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (23;1-49)
- The congregation remains seated and reads the words of the Crowd and the words of Jesus in bold type.*
- Narrator* The assembly of the elders of the people rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,
- Crowd* **“We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.”**
- Narrator* Then Pilate asked him,
- Pilate* “Are you the king of the Jews?”
- Narrator* He answered,
- Jesus* **“You say so.”**
- Narrator* Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the Crowds,
- Pilate* “I find no basis for an accusation against this man.”
- Narrator* But they were insistent and said,
- Crowd* **“He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.”**
- Narrator* When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,
- Pilate* “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”
- Narrator* Then they all shouted together,
- Crowd* **“Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”**
- Narrator* (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,
- Crowd* **“Crucify, crucify him!”**
- Narrator* A third time he said to them,
- Pilate* “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.”

Narrator But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus **“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”**

Narrator Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

Jesus **“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”**

Narrator And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

Jesus **“He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”**

Narrator The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

Crowd **“If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”**

Narrator There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

Criminal 1 “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

Narrator But the other rebuked him, saying,

Criminal 2 “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”

Narrator Then he said,

Criminal 2 “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Narrator He replied,

Jesus **“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”**

Narrator Having said this, he breathed his last.



All sing.

*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,

4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?

4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,

4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.

A period of silence is held.

Narrator

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." And when all the Crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

All rise with the Altar Party and depart in silence.



You are warmly invited to celebrate Holy Week with St. Thomas Episcopal Church. We will live-stream our Palm Sunday liturgy, Good Friday service and Easter worship on Facebook Live. Follow St. Thomas on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stthomasmedina. Each service will also be video-archived and posted on YouTube www.youtube.com/channel/UClv6rigYCpcrcaUoCjDbnDg so you can choose to participate live or at your convenience. After each service is uploaded, a reminder link will be emailed out to the parish.

In addition to our live-streamed services, a Holy Week Contemplative Worship will be recorded and released on Wednesday afternoon. On Maundy Thursday, you are invited to participate in an interactive liturgy at home. A copy of this simple service, designed to take place during an evening meal, will be sent to the parish on Tuesday.

St. Thomas Holy Week Schedule

- Palm Sunday: April 5th at 9:30 am - Live-stream on Facebook
- Wednesday Contemplative Worship: April 8th - Video link sent out Wednesday afternoon
- Maundy Thursday: April 9th - Interactive liturgy for use at home
- Good Friday: April 10th at 12:00 pm - Live-stream on Facebook
- Easter Sunday: April 12th at 9:30 am - Live-stream on Facebook

For additional Holy Week services, there are a wide variety of online offerings at Saint Mark's Cathedral <https://saintmarks.org/worship/lent-holy-week-at-saint-marks/>



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