

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
with St. Mary's Episcopal Church
April 5, 2020



*Before the service begins,
you will want to get a branch from a shrub, tree or plant.
Or use this picture above or draw one of your own.*

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Liturgy of the Palms

Pastoral Greeting and Entrance into Holy Week

Opening Acclamation

Officiant Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Officiant 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. **Amen.**

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus and his disciples 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 fulfill 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."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Blessing of Palms and Branches

The people hold their branches, greens, or plants in their hands as they are blessed.

<i>Officiant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Officiant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Priest 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.**

Procession

<i>Officiant</i>	Let us go forth in peace.
<i>People</i>	In the name of Christ. Amen.

The procession may be wherever you are. As you sing and wave your branch, recall Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, the expectant joy and hope of his followers, then and now - that the anointed one will bring freedom and salvation.

Processional Song: All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain



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.



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;
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring.

Repeat Refrain



1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One,
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply,
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent,
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise,
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

Words: Theophilus of Orleans (d. 821); St. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: *Teign will ich alle loben*, melody Mikchoir Teuchter (1584-1633), alt.; harmon. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

Collect at the Entrance

At the threshold, the officiant prays,

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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.**

The People may be seated.

Psalm 31:9-16

The psalm is spoken by all.

**Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.**

**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.**

**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.**

**I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.**

**For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all a round;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.**

**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.
I have said, "You are my God.**

**My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

**Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your loving-kindness save me."**

Meditation on Philippians 2:5-11

Jesus, The Lord by Roc O'Connor

Refrain

Je - sus. Je - sus. Let all cre-
a - tion bend the knee to the Lord.

Verse 1

1. In him we live, we move and have our be-ing; In
1. him the Christ, in him the king! Je - sus, the Lord. _____
to Refrain

Verse 2

2. Though Son, he did not cling to
2. god - li - ness; but emp-tied him - self, be -
2. came a slave! Je - sus, the Lord. _____
to Refrain

Verse 3

3. He lived o - be - dient-ly his
3. Fa - ther's will ac - cept-ing his death, death on a
3. tree! Je - sus, the Lord. _____
to Refrain

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ: Matthew 26:14-27:66

At the conclusion of the Passion narrative, all

keep silent for a brief period of reflection.

All may stand for the Prayers.

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Prayers, Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Officiant As we journey this Holy Week with Christians around the world, we pray for all those in any danger and need. We pray for an end of the spread of the Covid 19 virus and for healing to come quickly.

We pray for those who are home, those who must leave their homes to serve others and those who have no homes.

We pray for all who serve in healthcare settings and for their families; Remembering especially those who are members of our church: Karen Stevenson, Sara Barker, Sheila Benevides, Trish Culver, Leigh Knapman, Sioban Thurston, Cory Thurston Lallo, Peter Landry, Sara Lundberg, Sue Hall, Hugh Hall and Brianna Boucher.

We pray for leaders near and far in government, education, business, non-profit and religious. May they model for all people wisdom, humility, and service of the common good.

We pray for our families, friends and neighbors, may we be freed from anxiety and live in peace and health. We remember today those on our prayer list: Sheila, Regina, George, Priscilla, Judith, Jason, Carole, Bonnie, Millie and Dave.

We pray for all educators, all students, and all parents, that you will give them patience, humor, and companionship in their work.

We pray for all who have died, all who are grieving.

Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

All are invited to share intercessions and thanksgivings.

Blessed are you O God, who sent your Son among us to bear the pain and grief of humankind. Receive the prayers we offer today for all those in need in every place. As we pray our way through this Holy Week, kindle in us hope, peace and strength on our journey, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song: Were You There



1. Were you there when they cru - ci-fied my Lord? Were you
 2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
 3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you



1. there when they cru - ci-fied my Lord? Oh!
 2. there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!
 3. there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!



1-3. Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



1. Were you there when they cru - ci-fied my Lord?
 2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Prayer over the People

Officiant Bow down before the Lord.

All may bow as they are able.

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. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Officiant Let us Bless the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**