



**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
*on*  
**PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**  
28 March 2021 at 10 a.m.

**Organ Prelude**

*The Palms* - Jean-Baptiste Faure (1830-1914)

*All stand as the celebrant and assistants enter. Turn to face the entrance of the church for the beginning of the liturgy.*

**The Liturgy of the Palms**

**Entrance Antiphon**

*Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!*

**Greeting**

*Celebrant* In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you;

*People* **And also with you.**

**Introduction**

*Celebrant* Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

**Gospel of the Palms**

*(Mark 11:1-10)*

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*

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

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "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.'" 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, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" 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, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

*Reader*  
*People*

The Gospel of Christ.

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

### **The Procession**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Processional Hymn**

*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.

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

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

Thou didst accept their praises;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious King.

*Text.* Theodulph of Orleans (821), tr. John Mason Neale (1854)

*Music.* Melchor Teschner (1615)

*Tune.* St. Theodulph

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

*A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (50:4-7)*

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? *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

*Psalms 22 (Cantor)*

All who see me scoff at me;  
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads:  
"He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,  
let him rescue him, if he loves him."  
Indeed, many dogs surround me,  
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;  
They have pierced my hands and my feet;  
I can count all my bones.  
They divide my garments among them,  
and for my vesture they cast lots.  
But you, O LORD, be not far from me;  
O my help, hasten to aid me.  
I will proclaim your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:  
"You who fear the LORD, praise him;  
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;  
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

*A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:6-11)*

Christ Jesus, 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.

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*All stand.*

*Praise to you, Lord, King of eternal glory.  
Praise to you, Lord, King of eternal glory.  
Christ became obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.  
Because of this, God greatly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.  
Praise to you, Lord, King of eternal glory.*

## **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark**

*Narrator* As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

*Voice* "Are you the King of the Jews?"

*Narrator* He answered him,

*Jesus* "You say so."

*Narrator* Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

*Voice* "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you."

*Narrator* But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

*Voice* "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

*Narrator* For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

*Voice* "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"

*Narrator* They shouted back,

*Congregation* "Crucify him!"

*Narrator* Pilate asked them,

*Voice* "Why, what evil has he done?"

*Narrator* But they shouted all the more,

*Congregation* "Crucify him!"

*Narrator* So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

*Congregation* "Hail, King of the Jews!"

*Narrator* They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge

against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

*Congregation* **"Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"**

*Narrator* In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

*Congregation* **"He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe."**

*Narrator* Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

*Jesus* "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

*Narrator* which means,

*Jesus* "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

*Narrator* When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

*Congregation* **"Listen, he is calling for Elijah."**

*Narrator* And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

*Congregation* **"Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."**

*Narrator* Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

*All kneel in silence for a time and stand again with the celebrant.*

*Narrator* And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

*Voice* "Truly this man was God's Son!"

*Narrator* There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

## The Homily

### The Prayers of the People

*At the end of each petition:* Lord, in your mercy;

*Response:* Hear our prayer.

### The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
*People* and also with you.

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant* Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live,  
let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.  
*All* **Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*Celebrant* The Lord be 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 thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
And now we give you thanks because,  
for our salvation,  
he was obedient even to death on the cross.  
The tree of shame was made the tree of glory;  
and where life was lost,  
there life has been restored.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood  
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body  
which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
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.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died:**  
**Christ is risen:**  
**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

And so, Father, calling to mind his  
death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once  
for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection  
and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice  
of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Blessed Joseph her spouse,  
Saint Paul and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours,  
almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

## The Giving of Communion

*Celebrant* Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
*All* **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

## Agnus Dei

*All* Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.

## THE COMMUNION

*If you have been baptised in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. The sacrament will be brought to you in your seat. Please stand as an indication you wish to receive. Once you have received, please sit or kneel.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.  
*All* **Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant* May the Father, who so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
bring you by faith to his eternal life.  
*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* May Christ, who accepted the cup of sacrifice in obedience to the Father's will,  
keep you steadfast as you walk with him the way of his cross.  
*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* May the Spirit, who strengthens us to suffer with Christ  
that we may share his glory, set your minds on life and peace.  
*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
*All* **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Go in the peace of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**



## Hymn

My song is love unknown,  
my Saviour's love to me,  
love to the loveless shown,  
that they might lovely be.  
O who am I that for my sake  
my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

Sometimes they strew his way  
and his sweet praises sing,  
resounding all the day  
hosannas to their King;  
then "Crucify" is all their breath,  
and for his death they thirst and cry.

Here might I stay and sing,  
no story so divine;  
never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend in whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend.

*Text.* Samuel Crossman (1624-1683)

*Music.* John Ireland (1879-1962)

*Tune.* Love unknown

## Organ Postlude

*Lift High the Cross* - Setting by David M. Cherwien, Based on CRUCIFER by Sydney H. Nicholson (1875-1947)

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