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MORNING PRAYER II
SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY
LITURGY OF THE PALMS
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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.

Hymn: Humbly I Adore Thee

(Hymn # 314)

Note: This hymn will be sung during our Worship Service on Page 15 in this bulletin.



1. Hum - bly I a - dore thee, ver - i - ty un - seen,
2. Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
3. O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
4. Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,



1. who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
2. faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
3. liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
4. what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:



1. lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
2. I be - lieve what e'er the Son of God hath told;
3. grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
4. face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,



1. tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
2. what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
3. to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
4. in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.



SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

(BCP Pages 270-272)

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

People *Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

People *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.

A Reading from Matthew 21:1-11

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."

The Celebrant then says the following blessing

The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him 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.***

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

People ***Hosanna in the highest.***

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

People ***Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant **Let us go forth in peace.**

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

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Hymn #154

Refrain:

**All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One.

~ Sing the refrain ~

2. The company of angels is praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

~ Sing the refrain ~

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

~ Sing the refrain ~

The Officiant says

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.*

~ Sing the refrain ~

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

~ Sing the refrain ~

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

~ Sing the refrain ~

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Officiant says to the people

(BCP Page 76)

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ~*Isaiah 53:6*

Confession of Sin

(BCP Pages 79-80)

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

The Officiant and people together say

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 Officiant says

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

*Hosanna!
Blessed is the one
who comes in the
name of the Lord.*

John 12:13, NRSV

Invitatory and Psalter

(BCP Page 80)

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Officiant and People :

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Pause

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

(BCP Page 82)

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal - va - tion Let us come be-fore his
pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the
Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all gods.
In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his
al - so. The sea is his, for he made it and his hands have mold- ed the
dry land. Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, and kneel be-fore the
Lord our Ma - ker. For he is our God, and we are the
peo-ple of his pas - ture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that to-
day you would heark-en to his voice!

Psalm 31:9-16

(BCP Page 623)

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."

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen*

THE LESSONS

A Reading from 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?

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God***

The Third Song of Isaiah

(Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19, BCP Pages 86-87)

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen*

A Reading from 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.

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Song of Zechariah

(Luke 1:68-79, BCP Pages 92-93)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
 he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
 born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
 that he would save us from our enemies,
 from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers
 and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,
 to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear,
 holy and righteous in his sight
 all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
 for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation
 by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God
 the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
 shadow of death,
 and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading of the Passion Narrative from Matthew 27:11-54

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 judgment 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.

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A Reading from Matthew 27:11-54

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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.

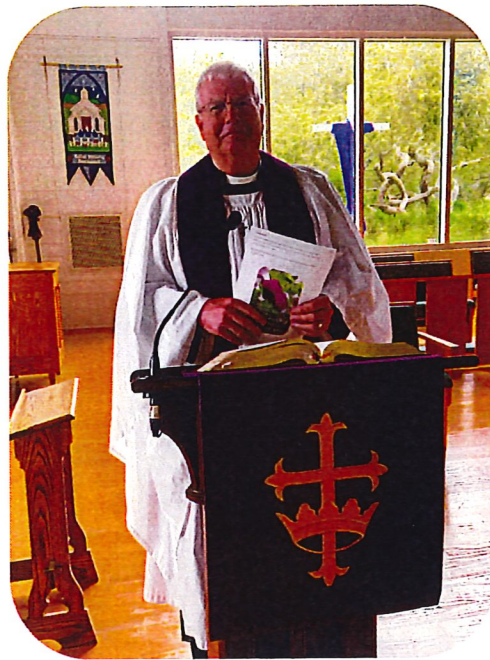
As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified 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!"

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*



Apostles' Creed

(BCP Page 96)

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

*He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.*

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

*He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting, Amen.

The Prayers

(BCP Page 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

Suffrage A

(BCP Page 98)

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. *And grant us your salvation.*

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. *Let your people sing with joy.*

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world.

R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. *Your saving health among all nations.*

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten.

R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God.

R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*



The Collect of the Day: Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday (BCP Page 219)

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.*

A Collect for Guidance (BCP Page 100)

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission (BCP Page 101)

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

Hymn: Humbly I Adore Thee (Service Bulletin Page 2 or Hymnal #314)

A time of silence is offered as an opportunity for us to reflect on our petitions and thanksgiving.

Offertory (BCP Page 376)

“Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

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The General Thanksgiving

(BCP Page 101)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

The Blessing

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.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or
imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. *Amen.*