



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

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## PARTNERING WITH ST. LUKE'S OTTAWA

### SUNDAY OF THE PASSION (PALM SUNDAY)

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

10.30 am Sung Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist (Livestreamed)

Service music: Missa Alme Pater – Andrew Millington

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#### Prelude

*Chorale No. 2 in b – César Franck*

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

#### Introit

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates – William Mathias*

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty in battle. The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory*

#### The Liturgy of the Palms

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

#### **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.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

When the disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus 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!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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, holding these emblems, also 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.**

**Hymn**

*All glory, laud and honour – St. Theodulph*

*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.*

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

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

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

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

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

## **Collect of the Day**

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. **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading**

*Isaiah 50:4-9a*

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

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?

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 31:9-16**

*Have mercy upon 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 neighbours, 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 around; 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."*

## **Second Reading**

*Philippians 2:5-11*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual**

*Greater love hath no man – John Ireland*

*Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus; Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*

## **The Passion of our Lord**

*Mark 14:53-15:20*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, 'We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands."' But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, 'Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?' But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?' Jesus said, 'I am; and "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power", and "coming with the clouds of heaven."' Then the high priest tore his

clothes and said, 'Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?' All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, 'Prophecy!' The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, 'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.' But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.' And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, 'This man is one of them.' But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, 'Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.' But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know this man you are talking about.' At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept.

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, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' 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, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' 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, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' 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, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' 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.

Silence.

## Sermon

### Litany

Let us pray.

With confidence and trust, let us pray to the Lord singing: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church throughout the world; for the churches of the Anglican Communion, and for this Diocese of Ottawa: that in faithful witness the Gospel of God's love may be preached with word and actions, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all of us in our Lenten journey: that we may further the kingdom of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the leaders of Canada and the leaders of every nation, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among all peoples; for the peace of Jerusalem and peace across the world; we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who are touched by conflict and war, for all combatants, all casualties, all refugees, all victims: that your presence and your peace will surround all women, children and men, whose humanity has been damaged or distorted by violence, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who suffer alone; those who ache with pain or hunger; those who tremble in fear or anxiety; those who are vulnerable or exploited: that they may be relieved and protected by people of kindness and justice, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all whom we have injured or offended by words, by actions, by ignorance or by neglect: that we may have grace to amend our lives and to show forth your love, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who have died in the peace of Christ; for those known to us, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know the secrets of our human hearts and the scope of our mortal minds; you know our needs before we ask: grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Offertory Hymn**

*O dearest Lord, thy sacred head – Dunfermline*

*O dearest Lord, thy sacred head with thorns was pierced for me:*

*O pour thy blessing on my head, that I may think for thee.*

*O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands with nails were pierced for me:*

*O shed thy blessing on my hands, that they may work for thee.*

*O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet with nails were pierced for me:*

*O pour thy blessing on my feet, that they may follow thee.*

*O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart with spear was pierced for me:*

*O pour thy Spirit in my heart, that I may live for thee.*

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## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **Prayer Over the Gifts**

Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice, may we receive your love and mercy. **Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life was lost, life has been restored.

Therefore with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name. *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.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

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, Father, according to his command,

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

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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 that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**



## **Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread,

**Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying,

**If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Communion**

Dear friends, wherever you may be, receive Christ; in communion with the saints and the gathering of God's people, unseen yet present with us now.

**We receive you Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls, and our strength; with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Motet**

*Set me as a seal – René Clausen*

*Set me as a seal upon thy heart, as a seal upon thine arm, for love is strong as death, neither shall the floods drown it.*

## **THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY**

### **Prayer after Communion**

God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son, we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

Glory to God,

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

### **Blessing and Dismissal**

May the God of mercy transform you by grace, and the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

*When I survey the wondrous cross - Rockingham*

*When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.*

*See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.*

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## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Easter Day**

Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18

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