

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 13, 2025 - 11:00AM

PROPER LITURGY & THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” The crowd welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday is welcoming a savior. That is what “hosanna” means. “Lord, save us!” is the formal translation. We could also render it simply, “Help!”

Help! Before we can even form the word itself we are calling “Help!” from our cradles. And we are paying close attention to whether our childish pleas are answered or ignored. Some of us learn quickly that when help is needed—whether because we are in actual danger, or because we are feeling a bit hungry, or just because we cannot reach the brightly-colored toy on the just-too-high shelf—help swiftly and surely comes. Some of us learn, just as quickly, that our cries for help fall on deaf ears. That dichotomy can shape the kind of people we become. Will help be there when we need it?

Help! That one word heard in a crowded public place causes our heads immediately, instinctively to turn to see who is in need. We have all seen strangers rush to the aid of someone they do not know, and will not ever know, to engage in staggering deeds of self-sacrifice. We have, also, all seen strangers bustle past the noisy cries of the apparently deranged, definitely unstable man or woman raging to the heavens for help and salvation from troubles too great for us to imagine and too vast for us to perceive. I have been both the stranger who helped, and the stranger who hurried by.

Help! From the throats of the people of Jerusalem in the days before Passover two millennia ago the ancient, primal cry rose to the ears of Jesus and before the throne of God. Help us! Save us! Hosanna! And from our throats, our hearts, our souls, ourselves the cry still rises. Does God hear? Will help come?

The answer we find in the days ahead is a resounding “Yes!” In Holy Week, we contemplate again the astonishing story of God’s salvation—God’s decisive action to help our helpless race. For the savior has indeed come. God has indeed heard the common cry of all humankind. God himself has drawn near to help us. And, shockingly, he has done so by taking on our helplessness.

Hosanna to the Son of David! Hail to our Savior, our Friend, our Helper, our Lord. Welcome to Trinity in Holy Week 2025.

Faithfully,

The Very Reverend Dane E. Boston
Dean, Trinity Cathedral

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The service music is from the *Missa Brevis No. 4* by Eleanor Daley (b.1955)

VOLUNTARY: *Valet ich will dir geben*, BWV 736 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The people stand as the procession enters the Cathedral.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

ANTHEM

Hosanna to the Son of David.
Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna.

Thou that sittest in the highest heavens.
Hosanna in excelsis Deo.

Words: Matthew 21.9
Music: Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with thy help, O Lord GOD of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gospel: Luke 19.25-40

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village opposite, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this, 'The Lord has need of it.'" So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode

along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works 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!" And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Celebrant then says

The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

It is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou hast redeemed us through thy 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 path. 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 leadeth to eternal life; who liveth and reigneth in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE PROCESSION

Minister Let us go forth in peace.
People In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymns are sung from the Blue Hymnal 1982

Hymn 154 "All glory, laud, and honor" *Valet will ich dir geben*

The procession pauses at the crossing, and the Celebrant says the following Collect

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 the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says to the people

 The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 50.4-9

The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word
him that is weary.
Morning by morning he wakens,
he wakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I turned not backward.
I gave my back to the smiters,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I hid not my face
from shame and spitting.
For the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been confounded;
therefore I have set my face like a 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 is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31.10-18 (*sung by the choir*)

In te, Domine, speravi

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble *

and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul and my body.

For my life is waxen old with heaviness *

and my years with mourning.

My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity *

and my bones are consumed.

I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours *

and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me;

and they that did see me without conveyed themselves from me.

I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind *

I am become like a broken vessel.

For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude *

and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me,

and take their counsel to take away my life.

But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord *

I have said, Thou art my God.

My time is in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies *

and from them that persecute me.

Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance *

and save me for thy mercy's sake.

Music: Charles Lloyd (1849-1919)

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2.5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 156 “Ride on! ride on in majesty”

The King’s Majesty

The Gospel: Luke 22.14—23.56

Gospeler The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

The people sit. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgatha all stand.

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Dane E. Boston

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people kneel as the Intercessor says

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, to which the people respond
Amen.*

THE PEACE

All stand, and the Celebrant says

 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

THE OFFERTORY

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THE ANTHEM

*O crux, splendidior cunctis astris,
mundo celebris,
hominibus multum amabilis,
sanctior universis
quae sola fuisti digna portare talentum mundi;
dulce lignum, dulces clavos,
dulcia ferens pondera;
salva praesentem catervam in tuis hodie laudibus congregatam.*

O cross, more radiant than the stars,
celebrated throughou the earth,
beloved of the people,
more holy than all things,
who alone was found worthy to carry the light of the world,
sweet wood, sweet nails,
sweet bearing weights,
save the present flock gathered in your praises today.

Words: Venitatus Fortunatus (530-609)
Music: Knut Nystedt (1915-2014)

THE PRESENTATION

The people stand as representatives of the congregation bring the people's gifts and oblations to the Celebrant.

Hymn 474 "When I survey the wondrous cross" Verse 4

Rockingham

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

BCP, p. 333

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

 The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is said, then the Celebrant proceeds

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *(sung by the choir)*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Host:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the

sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then is sung

AGNUS DEI (*sung by the choir*)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The people join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, regardless of denomination. You may receive at the high altar, or at the floor-level Seibels Chapel altar.

Gluten-free Hosts are available for those who require it. Please inform the Minister of your need as you come forward. Should you require Communion to be brought to you at your seat, please inform a Verger, Usher, or Hospitality Minister of your need.

If you are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion, please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us; save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee of Lord.

Words: Collect for the visitation of the sick

Music: *Requiem*, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

THE COMMUNION HYMNS (*sung by all*)

Hymn 458 “My song is love unknown”

Love Unknown

Hymn 168 “O sacred head, sore wounded”

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel, and the Celebrant continues

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinful men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A Minister dismisses the people, to which they respond

Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the procession, then depart in silence.

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This service is sung by the Cathedral Choir of Adults.

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