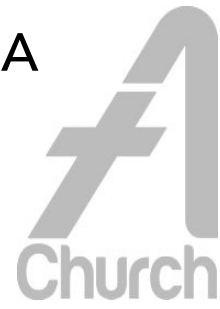


CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA

Palm Sunday



28th March 2021



EUCHARIST FOR PALM SUNDAY

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE: *'Valet will ich dir geben', BWV 735 – J.S.Bach (1685-1750)*
 (based on the hymn tune St. Theodulph)

THE BLESSING OF PALMS

The Greeting

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
 and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: 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.

Priest: Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel!

ALL: **Hosanna in the highest!**

Priest: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

ALL: **Hosanna in the highest!**

9.00am *Hosanna to the Son of David – Arthur Hutchings (1906-1989)*

Choir: Hosanna to the son of David.
 Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

All hold their palm crosses high for a blessing.

Let us pray.

God our Saviour,
whose Son, Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah,
to suffer and to die:
let these palms 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 with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever.
Amen.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 11. 1-11

Priest: *St. Mark tells the story of the triumphant entry of Jesus
into Jerusalem before his passion.*

When Jesus and his 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Priest: Let us praise Jesus our Messiah.

HYMN 333

Tune: ST THEODULPH

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

1 You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, the King and blessed one.

All glory, praise and honour ...

2 The company of angels are praising thee on high,
and we and all creation exultant make reply.

All glory, praise and honour ...

3 The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went:
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

All glory, praise and honour ...

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

All glory, praise and honour ...

5 Their praises you accepted: accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good take pleasure, our good and gracious King.

All glory, praise and honour ...

*Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821)
tr. JM Neale (1818-66) alt.*

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The COLLECT

for Palm Sunday

Everlasting God,
in your tender love for the human race
you sent your Son to take our nature,
and to suffer death upon the cross:
in your mercy
enable us to share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.
Amen.

All sit.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50. 4-9a

Reader: *A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.*

The servant of the Lord said: "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 to those who are taught."
"The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. 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?

A silence for reflection follows the reading, after which is said:

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:9-18*said at 7am; sung by the choir at 9am**Chant: David Willcocks*

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eye wastes away for grief,
my throat also and my inward parts.

For my life wears out in sorrow, and my years with sighing:
my strength fails me in my affliction, and my bones are consumed.

I am become the scorn of all my enemies:
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.

I am a thing of horror to my friends:
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.

I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel.

For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side;

While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.

But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said 'You are my God'.

All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies
and from my persecutors.

Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.

New Testament Reading*Philippians 2. 5-11*

Reader: *A reading from the letter of St. 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 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 the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand.

GRADUAL HYMN 342

Tune: ROCKINGHAM

- 1 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.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
- 3 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?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small:
love so amazing, so divine
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts 1674-1748

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, 'Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.' While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, 'Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.' And they scolded her. But Jesus said, 'Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me..For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.' Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.' And Jesus said to them, 'You will all become deserters; for it is written, "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered."

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit.

SERMON The Rev'd Bill Crossman

The NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For Christian communities everywhere,
following the way of the cross this week:
that the passion of Christ may sustain our faith
and enliven our witness to the world,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the pastors, teachers, evangelists and prophets of the church:
that the wisdom of Christ may keep them grounded in the gospel,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all candidates for baptism,
and for the church preparing to welcome them:
that the faith of Christ may gather us together at the foot of the cross,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the nations of the world, and for the peace of Jerusalem:
that the kingdom of Christ may come with true peace
and the forgiveness of our enemies,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the endangered earth,
where human carelessness and waste threaten the environment:
that the Spirit of Christ may teach us how to care for the earth,
and revive our delight in creation,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the hungry, the homeless and the outcasts of the world:
that the love of Christ may teach us hospitality, hope,
and care for the least of our sisters and brothers,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For people whose lives are limited by sickness, grief, or fear:
that the compassion of Christ may come to them
with comfort and courage,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who bear the weight of others' troubles:
that the easy yoke of Christ may lighten their burdens
and strengthen them for service,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For people offering their lives in loving service:
that the blessing of Christ may come to them,
and their gifts be received and remembered with joy,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who deny their faith or betray their friends,
for all who repent of their sins,
and for ourselves as we turn and ask for mercy:
that the forgiveness of Christ may come with healing and love,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For people preparing to die:
that the light of Christ may shine on them
both now and in the day of resurrection,
we pray to you, Living God:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Living God, you listen when your people cry out to you,
Hearing our prayers and forgiving our sins:
Hear us now, forgive us,
and send us on in newness of life,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

(A COVID-safe greeting is offered without leaving our seats)

OFFERTORY HYMN 341

Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN

- 1 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?
- 2 He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow,
but all made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O my friend, my friend indeed,
who at my need, his life did spend.
- 3 Sometimes they strew his way,
and his strong praises sing,
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.
- 4 Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

- 5 They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save;
the Prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suffering goes,
that he his foes from thence might free.
- 6 In life, no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death, no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was his home;
but mine the tomb wherin he lay.
- 7 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.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-1684)

Priest: Jesus, true vine and bread of life,
ever giving yourself that the world might live,
let us share your death and passion:
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

He offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

The tree of defeat became the tree of victory;
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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

TEXT as SAID at 7am

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

TEXT as SUNG at 9am

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks he broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

In faith we acclaim you, O Christ:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit
unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. *(sung by the CHOIR alone at 9am)*
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION (7am)

O Lamm Gottes unschuldig, BWV 1095 - J.S.Bach
(Agnus Dei – O Innocent Lamb of God)

COMMUNION MOTET (9am) *Christus Factus est - Felice Anerio (c.1560-1614)*

*Christus factus est est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum et dedit illi nomen, quod est super omne nomen.*

Christ was made obedient for us even unto death, even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has also exalted him,
and given him a name which is above every name.

At the end of the communion, a silence is kept.

Post-Communion Sentence

Christ became obedient to death, even death on a cross.

God our help and strength,
through these holy mysteries
confirm our faith
that by the death and resurrection of your Son
we may walk in the way of salvation. **Amen.**

**Father,
we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

THANKSGIVING HYMN

Tune: CRUCIFER

*Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his glorious name!*

1. Come, Christian people,
sing your praises, shout!
if we are silent, even stones cry out.
Lift high the cross . . .
2. Jesus, you wept
to see our human strife,
teach us compassion for each human life.
Lift high the cross . . .
3. Peace was your plea,
and peace your loving theme,
let peace be our passport,
peace a living dream.
Lift high the cross . . .
4. Great is the cost
of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God.
Lift high the cross . . .
5. Worlds to be born
and children yet to be come,
take up this song into eternity.
Lift high the cross . . .

*Shirley Erena Murray
Adapted from George W. Kitchin*

NOTICES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Priest: May the Father,
who so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
bring you by faith to his eternal life.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: 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.**

Priest: 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.**

Priest: And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

POSTLUDE *Prelude in c, BWV 546 - J.S.Bach*

MASS SETTING (9am):
de Angelis (K) / Schubert (S/B/A) / Darke in a (Agnus)

Holy Week & Easter Services

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Sung Eucharist

GOOD FRIDAY

8.00am Solemn Liturgy, veneration of the cross
and distribution of the Reserved Sacrament

9.30am *Children's Stations of the Cross*

1.30pm Good Friday Devotion (*Stations of the Cross*)
with the Lucians Singers

EASTER DAY

6.00am Dawn Service, with the Lighting of the New Fire,
Sung Eucharist & Renewal of Baptismal Vows.

9.00am Sung Eucharist & Renewal of Baptismal Vows.

*COVID-19 safe practices are still required before, during and after the services.
The Parish Office will be attended from 8.30am to 12pm Monday to Thursday.*

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