Christ Church Trumbull

Palm Sunday Service March 28, 2021

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

8:30am

This liturgy will take place on the church's front lawn. After this liturgy we will walk around the church grounds. Participants can zoom in to participate, but all readers and responses will be led by those who are in person.

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

All Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant Let us pray. Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord of 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.

All Amen.

A reading from the Gospel of Mark 11:1-11

When they 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 Celebrant then says the following blessing

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All 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.

All Amen.

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

All Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

9am

Gathered in the church.

Opening Hymn "All glory, laud, and honor"

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor 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. (*Refrain*)

The company of angels are praising thee on high; and we with all creation in chorus make reply. (*Refrain*)

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

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray. 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

All Amen.

The First Lesson 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 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 GO 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?

All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God s people.

All Thanks be to God.

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.

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The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark

The customary responses before and after the Gospel are omitted.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Prayer Leader: Let us Pray.

Father, fill us and believers throughout our diocese and world with the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we all may continue to draw people to you.

Father, we ask that you would fill all those in authority with the wisdom that you gave to Solomon. Guide and direct our leaders to serve with love.

Jesus, you said, "my peace I give you." We ask that you would fill the world with that peace which surpasses all understanding.

Father, you are the God of compassion. We ask that you would be present with all those who suffer from financial, mental, physical, or spiritual distress.

We especially pray today that you would heal and comfort Justin, Evan, Grace, Anna, Max, Roger, Ellie, Rob, Doug, Sal, Steve, Maggie, David, and Joanne.

Merciful Father, we lift up all those who have died. We remember those faithful leaders who have gone before us to build up the faith of this community, and we

give thanks for those people who have been a part of our lives and whom we see no longer. We pray especially for the families of Ephraim, Racheal, Edith, Sarah, Leon, Amariah, Henry, Jon, Terusha, Tung-Yu, Ruth, and Christina.

Celebrant I invite you to say in person or type in the chat any additional prayer requests for traveling, birthdays, anniversaries.

Celebrant prays for all prayer requests.

Celebrant prays and concludes

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son; Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Announcements

Holy Week Services: All virtual services will use this zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88676720146?pwd=UktJc1BHUWJQWkNVTHpZK25 NQldKQT09

Meeting ID: 886 7672 0146

Passcode: 5544321

April 1: Maundy Thursday

5:30pm: Virtual Meal of Bread and Wine/Grape Juice

April 1: Keep Watch

9pm and Midnight Vigils: Tune into Facebook Live to hear Pastor Jane and Paige read the words Jesus said to his disciples the night before he died.

April 2: Keep Watch

5am Vigil: Tune into Facebook Live to hear Pastor Jane and Paige read the words Jesus said to his disciples the night before he died.

April 2: Good Friday

12pm: Good Friday Service at Trinity Nichols in Trumbull

1-1:45pm: Guided Meditation

2-3pm: Wandering Church (Music, Meditations, Stations of the Cross)

April 4: Easter Sunday

7am: Sunrise Service at Twin Brooks Park Waterfall

9am: Holy Eucharist Service in-person and virtual at Christ Church Trumbull

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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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.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All Amen.

And now, as our Savior 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All Lord Jesus, I cannot now worship you at the altar of the church in this Sacrament of your Body and Blood, yet in spirit I receive this bread and this wine in my heart, mind, and spirit. Visit me, I pray, with your mercy, pardon, and blessing, and fill me with faith and love and repentance, and so strengthen and sustain me by your grace that I may with pure heart and mind follow you, the only God, now and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant May God bless you and keep you. May God make his face to shine

upon you and be gracious to you now and always.

Zoom Participants: We are so glad that you joined us on zoom! We welcome you

to use this time to meditate on the scripture and remain in prayer as the music is played. You may also leave the zoom

service at this time as the service has ended.

Closing Hymn "Were You There when they crucified my Lord?"

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Were you there when He rose up from the grave? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when He rose up from the grave?