

Palm Sunday

SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 323

The Collect for Purity p. 323

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie eleison p. 324

The Collect of the Day p. 167

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 Lesson: Philippians (2:5–11)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1071

Commentary:

Paul turned to the ultimate example, Jesus Christ, to encourage humility and unity within the Philippian church. Jesus, the Son of God, voluntarily and willingly adopted a manner of existence different from His Father, that of God-man. He chose not to use His powers to lift Himself above ordinary human limitations. Jesus did not lay aside the form of God, He added on the form of a man, of a servant; Jesus appeared to people around Him just as any other man. Jesus was willing to endure death by crucifixion, a means of execution so brutal that Roman citizens were exempt from it. The Son was submissive to the depths of humiliation and God the Father raised Him to the height of exaltation. One day, every knee will bow in recognition of the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power 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 heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Celebrant: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr. Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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