

Saint Thomas' Episcopal Parish



March 16, 2008

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday (Year A)

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

WHEREVER YOU MAY BE ON YOUR FAITH JOURNEY,
THERE IS ROOM AT GOD'S TABLE FOR YOU.

The Holy Eucharist

The Liturgy of the Palms

✠ *Standing before the Altar ruins, the Celebrant says:*
Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord 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. **Amen.**

The Holy Gospel *Matthew 21:1-11*

✠ *The celebrant then says the following blessing*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God 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. **Amen.**

Antiphon *Hosanna filio David* *Plainsong, Mode VII*

Hosanna to the son of David: blessed is the one that comes in the name of the Lord. To the King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.

✠ *During the antiphon, blessed palms are distributed to the congregation*

The Procession

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

People In the name of Christ, Amen.

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 mortal men and all things created 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***

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

Station At The Narthex Door

✠ *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 Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

✠ *The thurifer and crucifer carrying the Passion Cross enter into the church.*

The Passion of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

Matthew 26:14-27:66

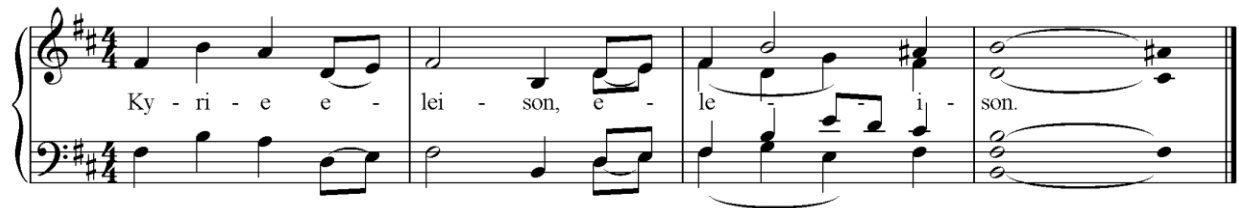
✠ *The congregation may be seated for the first part of the Passion. At the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha, all stand.*

Reflections on the Passion

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Lee Jose

Prayers of the People, Form II

✠ *Standing, a cantor sings the Kyrie, all respond*



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.

Refrain

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

Pray for justice and / peace.

Refrain

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.

Refrain

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

Pray that they may find and be found by /God.

Refrain

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have / died.

Refrain

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.

Refrain

✠ *The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Peace and Announcements

The Holy Communion

*St. Thomas' invites all to share in the gifts of bread and wine from God's Holy Table.
If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine but would like a blessing, please come forward
and cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders and a priest will provide a blessing.*

Offertory Motet

O Domine, Jesu Christe

Tomás Luis de Victoria

O Lord Jesus Christ, we worship you wounded on the cross, having drunk of gall and vinegar; we beseech you, that your wounds and death will be life for us.

✦ *All stand*

Presentation Hymn

O sacred head, sore wounded

Hymnal 168

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

✦ *Sung by all*

Sanctus and Benedictus

Plainsong, harmonized by Maurice Duruflé

Ho - ly, _____ ho - ly, _____ ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in _____ the _____ high - est.
Bles-sed is the One who _____ comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in _____ the _____ high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

✦ *The Celebrant continues*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

✦ *Celebrant and People*

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.

✕ *Sung by all*

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God

Plainsong, adapt. Martens

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Communion Music

Es ist vollbracht

Johann Sebastian Bach

The end has come. O rest and peace for stricken Spirits. This sad day is filled with gloom and forboding. Our Hero battles on with might and ends the fight. The end has come.

Bailey Whiteman, contralto

Communion Hymn

Ah, holy Jesus

Hymnal 158

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 366

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross

Hymnal 474

Dismissal

*As part of our observance of a Holy Week,
please depart the church in silence.*

Notes on Cover Artist:

Expressionist and abstract artist, **Magrit Prigge**, resides in Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa. Drawing and painting from an early age, she says, "I have always been aware of the forces separating light and darkness, life and death; the forces of life around me and the cycle of renewal. Which is perhaps why most of my art will give the impression of something new emerging... I like to express what I feel and see in vivid colours and symbols."

Today Magrit works primarily in watercolour, with additional work in acrylic and charcoal. Her favourite artist is Marc Chagall. Magrit's artwork can be found in private collections around the world, including in Germany, Canada, Ireland and Africa.

The cover piece is titled "Surely" and is based on **Matthew 27:54** - "When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!"



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