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> PALM SUNDAY, March 28th, 2021 Service: 9:00 A.M.

# SUNDAY OF THE PASSON: Palm Sunday SUNDAY, MARCH 28th, 2021

#### 9:00 A.M ~ SUNG EUCHARIST

The Liturgy of the Palms and Sung Eucharist with the distribution of Palms

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#### **BOOKS ON THE PANDEMIC**

Virus as a Summons to Faith; Biblical Reflections in a Time of Loss, Grief, and Uncertainty, Brueggemann, Walter (Paternoster: Thinking Faith, 2020)

We shall be changed. Questions for the Post-Pandemic Church, Edited by Mark D. W. Edington (Church Publishing Incorporated 2020)

God and The Pandemic: A Christian Reflection on the Coronavirus and Its Aftermath, N.T. Wright (Zondervan Reflective 2020)

The Distanced Church: Reflections on Doing Church Online, Heidi A. Campbell, Editor (e-book). College Station, Tx: Digital Religion Publications, 2020.

Candles in the Dark: Faith, hope and love in a time of pandemic, Rowan Williams, SPCK Publishing 2020

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#### Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

1When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples 2 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. 3If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." '4They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, 5some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' 6They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. 7Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. 8Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sub>9</sub>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! 10 Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' 11 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 Blessing of the Palms

#### Introit Hymn 127

#### Refrain

All glory, laud, and honour, 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 blessèd 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

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (760-821), from Gloria, laus, et honor, Latin; translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

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### "Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday"

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Saviour 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. Amen.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Lector: Mr. Edwin Pollard

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Isaiah, chapter 50, verses 4 to 9a.

#### The Servant's Humiliation and Vindication

- <sup>4</sup> 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.
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards.
- <sup>6</sup> 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.
- <sup>7</sup> 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;
- be who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.
- <sup>9</sup> It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:9-16 *In te, Domine, speravi* 

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- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me."
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Lector: Mr. Edwin Pollard

A reading from the Word of God written in the letter to the Philippians, chapter 2, verses 5 to 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord. **ALL:** Thanks be to God.

#### The Gradual **Hymn 142**

O sacred head, surrounded by crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding head, so wounded, so shamed and put to scorn!
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee, the glow of life decays; yet angel-hosts adore thee, and tremble as they gaze

Thy comeliness and vigour is withered up and gone, and in thy wasted figure I see death drawing on.
O agony and dying!
O love to sinners free!
Jesu, all grace supplying,

turn thou thy face on me.

In this thy bitter passion,
Good Shepherd, think of me
with thy most sweet compassion,
unworthy though I be:
beneath thy cross abiding
for ever would I rest,
in thy dear love confiding,
and with thy presence blest.

Words: Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153), from Salve caput cruentatum, Latin; translation: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676), alt., German; translation: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

THE GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you. **PEOPLE:** And also with you

THE GOSPELLER: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark, the fourteenth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

**PEOPLE:** Glory to Christ our Saviour.

#### The Plot to Kill Jesus

<sup>14</sup>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; <sup>2</sup>for they said, 'Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.'

#### The Anointing at Bethany

3 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. <sup>4</sup>But some were there who said to one another in anger, 'Why was the ointment wasted in this way? <sup>5</sup>For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.' And they scolded her. <sup>6</sup>But Jesus said, 'Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. <sup>9</sup>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.'

#### **Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus**

10 Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. 11 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.

#### The Passover with the Disciples

12 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?' <sup>13</sup>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, <sup>14</sup>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?" <sup>15</sup>He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.' <sup>16</sup>So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

<sup>17</sup> When it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.' <sup>19</sup>They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, 'Surely, not I?' <sup>20</sup>He said to them, 'It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. <sup>21</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.'

### The Institution of the Lord's Supper

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, 'Take; this is my body.' <sup>23</sup>Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. <sup>24</sup>He said to them, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'

#### **Peter's Denial Foretold**

<sup>26</sup> When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.' <sup>29</sup>Peter said to him, 'Even though all become deserters, I will not.' <sup>30</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' <sup>31</sup>But he said vehemently, 'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.' And all of them said the same.

### Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

<sup>32</sup> They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' 33He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. <sup>34</sup>And he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.' <sup>35</sup>And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup>He said, 'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.' <sup>37</sup>He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? 38 Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' <sup>39</sup>And again he went away and prayed, saying the words. <sup>40</sup>And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. <sup>41</sup>He came a third time and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. <sup>42</sup>Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'

#### The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

<sup>43</sup> Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. <sup>44</sup>Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.' <sup>45</sup>So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. <sup>46</sup>Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. <sup>47</sup>But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. <sup>48</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? <sup>49</sup>Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.' <sup>50</sup>All of them deserted him and fled.

<sup>51</sup> A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, <sup>52</sup>but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

#### Jesus before the Council

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. <sup>54</sup>Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. <sup>55</sup>Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. <sup>56</sup>For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. <sup>57</sup>Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, <sup>58</sup>'We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple

that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands." '59But even on this point their testimony did not agree. 60Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, 'Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?' 61But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?' 62Jesus said, 'I am; and "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power", and "coming with the clouds of heaven."' 63Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, 'Why do we still need witnesses? 64You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?' All of them condemned him as deserving death. 65Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, 'Prophesy!' The guards also took him over and beat him.

#### **Peter Denies Jesus**

<sup>66</sup> While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. <sup>67</sup>When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, 'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.' <sup>68</sup>But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.' And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. <sup>69</sup>And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, 'This man is one of them.' <sup>70</sup>But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, 'Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.' <sup>71</sup>But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know this man you are talking about.' <sup>72</sup>At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the

cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept.

#### Jesus before Pilate

<sup>15</sup>As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' <sup>3</sup>Then the chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup>Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' <sup>5</sup>But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

#### Pilate Hands Jesus over to Be Crucified

<sup>6</sup> Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. <sup>7</sup>Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. 8So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. 9Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' <sup>10</sup>For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. <sup>11</sup>But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. 12Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' <sup>13</sup>They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' <sup>14</sup>Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' 15So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

#### The Soldiers Mock Jesus

<sup>16</sup> Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. <sup>17</sup>And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. <sup>18</sup>And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' <sup>19</sup>They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. <sup>20</sup>After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

#### The Crucifixion of Jesus

<sup>21</sup> They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. <sup>22</sup>Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. <sup>25</sup> It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' 27 And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!' <sup>31</sup>In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup>Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

#### The Death of Jesus

33 When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>34</sup>At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' 35When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' <sup>36</sup>And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' 37Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup>Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!' <sup>40</sup> There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. 41 These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

#### The Burial of Jesus

<sup>42</sup> When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, <sup>43</sup>Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup>Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some

time. <sup>45</sup>When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. <sup>46</sup>Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. <sup>47</sup>Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

THE GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ

PEOPLE: Praise to Christ our Lord

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#### THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory **Hymn 141** vs 1-3, 5 & 7

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?

He came from his blest throne, salvation to bestow; but men 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!

Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing; resounding all the day hosannas to their King.

Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath and for his death they thirst and cry.

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.

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 (1624-1683)

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# The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion



#### Hymns 144 (Part 1 & Doxology)

Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle, sing the last, the dread affray; o'er the cross, the Victor's trophy, sound the high triumphal lay, how, the pains of death enduring, earth's Redeemer won the day.

When at length the appointed fullness of the sacred time was come, he was sent, the world's Creator, from the Father's heavenly home, and was found in human fashion, offspring of the virgin's womb.

Now the thirty years are ended which on earth he willed to see, willingly he meets his passion, born to set his people free; on the cross the Lamb is lifted, there the sacrifice to be.

There the nails and spear he suffers, vinegar and gall and reed; from his sacred body piercèd blood and water both proceed: precious flood, which all creation from the stain of sin hath freed.

#### [UNISON DOXOLOGY]

Praise and honour to the Father, praise and honour to the Son, praise and honour to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One:

One in might, and One in glory, while eternal ages run.

Words: Venantius Fortunatus (530-600), from Pange lingua gloriosi proelium certaminis, Latin; translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern

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#### **Greetings and Thanks**

The Dismissal
The Recessional **Hymn 147** 

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the cross of Christ my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingling down; did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

#### WELCOME AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

#### THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Comments: The servant of the Lord submits to suffering"

Our reading tells of the servant who speaks for the Lord and suffers persecution, but still trusts in God's help and vindication. This is the third of the "servant songs" that come from a period late in Israel's exile. The servant might be thought to be the faithful of Israel, the prophet himself, or another historical or idealised figure. The people are weary and tired of the Lord's calling, but the servant steadfastly continues. Christians have long perceived in these words a foretelling of Jesus' mission.

Psalm 31:9-16

A psalm of trust by one who looks to the Lord for mercy and protection.

Second Reading: (The Epistle) Philippians 2:5-11

Comments: "Humbled to the point of death on a cross"

From one of the earliest Christian hymns we hear how Christ Jesus accepted the condition of a servant, was obedient even to the point of death, and was then given the name above every name. It is possible that this poem was adapted by Paul or another disciple from the hopes for a saviour of a people who did not yet know Jesus. He has fulfilled humanity's dream of one who will share fully in the

mortal condition before his exaltation. To him every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess the great name of the Lord now known in person, Jesus.

The Gospel Mark: 14:1-15:47

Comments: "The passion of the Lord"

Our Gospel is the story of Jesus' anointing in Bethany, his last supper with his disciples, what took place in the garden of Gethsemane, the trial before Pilate, and his final suffering and death.



#### **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

**STEWARDSHIP:** The 2021 Stewardship Envelopes can now be collected from the Administrative office during office hours, Monday to Friday 9:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.



Household Worship: Public worship has resumed in the Cathedral; however, in accordance with the provision of the EMP (COVID-19) (No. 6) Directive 2021, attendance is limited to a maximum of seventy-five (75) persons. Meantime, members are encouraged to worship virtually at the 9:00 Eucharist, or to pray the office of Morning Prayer at the regular Sunday service times, 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M., or at a time convenient to the family. The Daily Office

can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Lectionary for Holy Week, begins on page 746, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 are Jeremiah 12:1-16, Psalm 51:1-18, and Philippians 3:1-14.

Stewardship of Treasure: During the period of lockdown, members were unable to make their regular financial contributions to the church in the usual manner. However, several persons made use of the options which were provided, and we are grateful for their contributions. For the convenience of all, online payments may be made to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.



#### THEME FOR THE WEEK

"As we witness Jesus' death, we give thanks for the grace he has earned for us this Lent."



#### **DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Diocesan Calendars:** The 2021 Diocesan Calendars are available through the office of the Administrative Assistant, at the price of \$6.00 each.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** The Synod Council at its February meeting passed a resolution which authorised the

postponement of the Annual Parish meetings across the Diocese, until they can be lawfully convened and as the Bishop shall direct. This decision was made in view of the current restrictions, which limit the number of people who can assemble in public gatherings. Consequently, the term of the Parochial Church members, including the Lay Synod Representatives, has been extended until such time as the meeting is held. In the meantime, any vacancies which might occur before that time, will be filled in accordance with Regulation D4: 17 of the Constitution, Canons and Regulations of the Diocese.



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week March 28<sup>th</sup> - April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

Ms. Janice A. Edwards ~ 29<sup>th</sup>
Mr. Philip L Sydney Archer ~ 1<sup>st</sup>
Ms. Xenia A. Watson ~ 1<sup>st</sup>
Ms. Coral E. Riley ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>
Mr. Ricardo M. Rollock ~ 5<sup>th</sup>
Ms. Mabel C. Armstrong ~ 6<sup>th</sup>



May God bless and strengthen you.



Please remember the sick and injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Mrs. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Jonathan Holder, (N.Y), Ms. Selina Jones, Mrs. Vida King, Mr. Blair Murray, Mr. Adrian Price, Ms. Phyllis Springer, and Ms. Winifred Trotman.



**Bereavement:** We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Mrs. Clorine Holmes-Weekes, and Sir Courtney Blackman. We thank God for their lives, work, and witness among us.

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.



#### **CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES**

### Today, Sunday, March 28th, 2021 SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: Palm Sunday

7:00 A.M.~ Holy Eucharist with the Distribution of Palms 9:00 A.M.~ The Liturgy of the Palms and Sung Eucharist

Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Maundy Thursday, April 1st, 2021

**10:00 A.M.** ~ Chrism Mass (Clergy only)

President: The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell

**6:00 P.M.** ~ The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday



## GOOD FRIDAY, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

9:00 A.M. ~ Family Devotions

**3:00 P.M.** ~ The Cross of Christ, presented by the Clergy, Organist/Master of Choristers, and the Choir, streamed via <a href="http://www.facebook.com/saintmichaelscathedral">http://www.facebook.com/saintmichaelscathedral</a> <a href="http://www.youtube.com/c/SaintMichaelsCathedralBarbados">http://www.youtube.com/c/SaintMichaelsCathedralBarbados</a>



# Easter Eve, Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 6:00 P.M. The Great Easter Vigil



### Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 EASTER DAY

**7:00 A.M.** ~ Holy Eucharist **9:00 A.M.** ~ Sung Eucharist



#### OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL

#### **Church Warden Emeritus**

Mr. Arlington Watson, BSM. J.P.

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Mr. Samuel Maxwell Mr. Victor Sylvester

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Assistant Treasurer: Ms. Harriet Clarke

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Mr. Trevor King

Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J.P.

Dr. Wendy Sealy

#### **Alternative Synod Representative:**

Ms. Donna Inniss



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Woman's Auxiliary: Vacant

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Outreach Committee: Mrs. Delores Hinds
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**Sunday School:** Mrs. Harriett Blackman

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**Guild of St. Raphael:** Mr. Darwin Clarke

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