Palm Sunday

saint benedict's table March 28, 2021

Land Acknowledgement

Gathering

Jesus rides on a donkey small - Hosanna See your king, the Lord of all - Hosanna Shout your praise to David's Son Pave His way with cloak and palm On His way to Jerusalem

Blessed is he who comes Comes in the name of the Lord Blessed is he who comes Comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna, Son of David Hosanna in the highest

Who is this whose praise you sing? - Hosanna Galilean Nazarene - Hosanna Daughter Zion, have you heard? Spoken through the prophet's word All Jerusalem is stirred (Gord Johnson)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

People of God, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. Yet again this year it has been such a different Lenten season, with our familiar observances all done at a distance.

On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph. The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise; bold hosannas sung in hope that he would save them; for the Hebrew word "hosanna" means "save us".

We know that the path that lay before Jesus led to self-giving, suffering, and death. Though this night we greet him as our King, we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We know, too, that he shares in our suffering, holds us in our anxiousness, weeps when we weep.

We have no palm crosses to bless, hold high as we sing, and then take home with us as a symbol of this night.

Differently this year, we will follow him from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by way of the dark road of suffering and death.

Pray that we may share his resurrection and new life.

Together, let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help,
Lord God of our salvation,
that we may enter with joy
into the celebration of those mighty acts
whereby you have given us life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Gospel reading - Mark 11:1-11
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Jesus rides on a donkey small – Hosanna...

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Word

Second Gospel reading – Mark 14:17-42

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Andrew Krahn

Our souls find rest in God alone We pine, we strive, we run, we roam And 'neath the stray the deeper tone Our inmost longing to find home Come home, come home

Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord have mercy

Our restless heart's true resting place Is not the realm of wood and stone But in the Holy One whose grace Both now and always calls us home Come home, come home, come home

From dust we came, and so return And in this span of mortal time Christ truly never leaves our side Except in our forgetting minds Come home, come home

Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord have mercy

Come home, come home, come home ...

Intercessory Prayers - Murray Krushel

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution

In this stillness, I invite you to speak to God of that in your own life that is born of sin, or of your fears, or of your wounds; things done better left undone, or the things we fail to do, the people we can't quite manage to be. I invite you to confess the shape of your life to an almighty yet merciful God.

I have sinned in thought and word and deed against the One who calls me as His own these things I do confess to him whose righteousness alone can save me by His blood

what can save me? what can save me? nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ

I have not done what I should have done and have done things that were better left undone these things I do confess to him whose righteousness alone can save me by His blood

As we speak the truth of our lives to God—God who is merciful and just—we are reconciled and drawn home again and again and again.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, +pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.**

The Table

Through this night we greet Him as our King His throne a cross, He shares our suffering Holds us in our anxiousness Weeps with us when we weep

> Through this night we greet Him as our King and cry Hosanna, Lord Save us Hosanna, Lord Save us Hosanna

Follow Him from the glory of the Palms
To the glory of the resurrection song
Down the long dark road of death and suffering
To new life in Christ His resurrection brings

Through this night we greet Him as our King and cry Hosanna, Lord Save us Hosanna, Lord Save us Hosanna (Based on a text from the Book of Alternative Services)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ... ... now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth of your glory are full. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

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

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise...
... all glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

Amen.

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

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,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the body of Christ: behold what you are, become what you receive. **Amen**.

This is the table, not merely of the church, but of Christ. It is made ready for those who love him, and for those who want to love him more. So come, whether you have much faith or little; have tried to follow, or are afraid you've failed. Come, because it is His will that those who want to meet him might meet him here.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The body of Christ, broken for us all. **Amen.**

Behold what you are Become what you receive Take up the bread and wine Embrace the mystery

Take a moment to eat the bread that you have set out at home.

The blood of Christ, shed for us all.

Amen.

Behold what you are...

Third Gospel Reading – Mark 14:43-50
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Silence

Lord I abandoned You in the garden sold You for silver left You forsaken in Your hour of need

Lord I denied You mocked and despised You cried "crucify him" left You forsaken in Your hour of need

Jesus I saw You suffering in silence no pleas for mercy only submission in Your time of need

Jesus remember me in Your kingdom I want to be there with You in glory You are all I need

Lord in Your mercy hear my confession I crucified you left You forsaken In Your time of need

I crucified You; I crucified You I crucified You; I crucified You In Your hour of need (Gord Johnson)