



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*The Sunday of the Passion:
Palm Sunday*

10:00 a.m.

following the Liturgy of the Palms

March 24, 2024

The Reverend Michael Floyd
"A place of Grace"

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Holy Eucharist

Service of the Palms: *Beginning in the Park* (or in the undercroft if inclement weather)

Processional Hymn: "Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!" ~ Bulletin Insert

Ringling of the Bell

Opening Sentences ~ BCP 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

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

The Kyrie: *(recited)*

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.

Together: **Lord, have mercy.**

Cantor: Christ, have mercy.

Together: **Christ, have mercy.**

Cantor: Lord, have mercy.

Together: **Lord, have mercy.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect for the Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday *(kneel or stand)* ~BCP 219

Celebrant: 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. **Amen**

The Word of God

(you may be seated)

The First Lesson: Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Lector: 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 backward.
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 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;
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?

Lector: *(following the lesson)* The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 22

Cantor: "Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"

People: **"Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"**

Cantor: Let the doors of righteousness be opened;
we will go in and give thanks to the Lord.
This is the gate of the Lord; it is opened for the righteous.
We will give praise, for God has heard us and has come to save us.

People: **"Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"**

Cantor: The stone which the builders rejected as worthless
has become the cornerstone.
This is your work O Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
Lord, you have made this day; let us rejoice and be glad.

People: **"Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"**

Cantor: Send salvation, O Lord; Lord, grant us victory.
Blessed be your name, O Lord. We bless you from your temple.
Lord God, you have given us light;
with waving branches we march around the altar.

People: **"Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"**

Cantor: You are our God; we give you praise;
we will proclaim your greatness.
We will offer thanks because of your goodness;
your love endures forever.

People: **"Fling Wide the Gates! Fling wide the gates!
Welcome the King! Welcome the King"**

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2: 5-11

Lector: 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. .

Lector: (following the lesson) The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

Sequence Hymn: **“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” ~Hymnal 474**

(Readers of the Gospel will come forward during the singing of the sequence hymn.)

Gospel: THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO ST. MARK

~Insert

The Sermon: ***The Reverend Michael Floyd***

Prayer for the Sermon: Lord, you have promised that when two or three gather in your name you will be present with them. We depend on that promise today and pray that you will move among us. Lord, we pray that you have inspired Mike's preparation, that you will enliven his presentation and that you will empower our application. Amen

The Nicene Creed *(all stand)* ~BCP 358

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

The Prayers of the People: Form III (with additions) ~BCP 387

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

Response: **That we all may be one.**

Lector: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

Response: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Lector: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; we especially pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, and our Bishop Anne Jolly. In the Diocese of Ohio cycle of prayer, we pray for the North Central Mission Area A. We also pray for our own Priest, Father Mike Floyd. Today in our prayers for the churches of Huron we pray for St. Peter Catholic Church and Father Doug Garand. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer today we pray for The Church of the Providence of West Africa.

Response: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Lector: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Joseph, our President

Response: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Lector: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Response: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Lector: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

Response: **That they may be delivered from their distress**

Lector: Give to the departed eternal rest.

Response: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lector: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

Response: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Lector: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray especially for the needs and concerns of this congregation. Let us turn our hearts to those in need in our Parish and pray for those who need our prayer.

I invite your petitions...

(Silence)

Lector: Hear us, Lord;

Response: **For your mercy is great.**

Lector: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. Let us turn our hearts to the blessings which we have received as a Parish. I invite your thanksgivings...

(Silence)

Lector: We will exalt you, O God our King;

Response: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Silence may be kept)

Together: **Most merciful God,**

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Anthem: "*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*" ~G. Young

(The offering plate will be brought forward.)

The Doxology: ~Hymnal 380: Verse 3 (*The offering plate will be brought forward.*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost**

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord

Response: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons, that Christ draws to his table, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Great Thanksgiving: (*you may stand*) ~BCP 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: 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:

Together: **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.

~J. Vermulst

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 according to his command, O Father:

Together: **We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection
We await his coming in glory.**

~M. Robinson

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever.

The Great Amen:

Together: **Amen, Amen, Amen** *~M. Robinson*

Celebrant : And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

(recited)

Together: **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

(A period of silence is kept.) ~BCP 364

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Lamb of God: *(sung)*

Together: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

~J. Vermulst

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion: *(from the Prayer Book for the Armed Services)*

Together: **In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*If you wish to intinct please raise your hand
and Fr. Mike will pass the wafer to the chalice bearer to intinct for you.*

*If you wish to drink from the chalice, please cross your palms
for Father Mike to place the wafer on them.*

We will return to self intinction on Easter Sunday April 9

Communion Hymn: **"O Sacred Head Sore Wounded"** ~Hymnal 168

Post Communion Thanksgiving: *(please kneel)* ~BCP 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Together: **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Closing Hymn: **"All Glory Laud and Honor"** ~Hymnal 154

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Announcements

First Announcement every week:

"Christ in you, the hope of glory." *(recited together)*

(take the opportunity to look at someone else and bless them with these words)

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Benediction: *(recited)* ~ Jude 24-25

Together: **Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God our Savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and for ever. Amen**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen** ~2 Corinthians 13:14

Postlude: **"Trumpet Tune"** ~G. Young

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Serving at Christ Church this morning:

CELEBRANT – The Reverend Michael S. Floyd
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR – G. James Petersen Jr.
ALTAR GUILD – Sharon Miller
VIDEOGRAPHER – Steve Terry
POWER POINT – Sharon Gallagher
GREETER / USHER – Bob DuBray
BELL RINGER – Tom Wells
CANTOR – Barbara Steinmetz
LECTOR – Paul Bauman
ACOLYTES: Xavier Haney/Mary Trout

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EVANGELIST: Barbara Steinmetz

JESUS: Father Michael Floyd

JUDAS: Jim Schweifert

HIGH PRIEST: Paul Bauman

SERVING MAID: Suzanne Hartley

PETER: Lorin Swinehart

PILATE: Gerhard Moskal

THE MAN: Tom Wells