

# Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

## Prelude

## Opening Rites

*The celebrant may begin with words of welcome using the following passages*

“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

*Luke 19:38*

*Celebrant*

Let us all rise for the opening hymn.

## Opening Hymn

**#90 - “All Glory, Laud and Honor”**

*Chorus*

All glory, laud and honor,  
To Thee, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.

*Verse 1*

Thou art the King of Israel,  
Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest,  
The King and Blessed One!

*Verse 2*

The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before Thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before Thee we present.

*Verse 3*

Thou didst accept their praises;  
Accept the praise we bring,  
Who in all good delightest,  
Thou good and gracious King!

## “榮光尊貴與讚美”

和： 榮光尊貴與讚美，  
都歸我主君王，  
和散那歌聲響亮，  
大家當來尊崇。

1 和散那大闢後裔，  
以色列的人君，  
奉父差遣來降世，  
萬民應該敬尊。

2 在天上的衆天使，  
各日讚美主名，  
受造萬物也敬拜，  
在地吟詩應聲。

3 希伯來的衆百姓，  
舉棕樹枝歡迎，  
在主面前讚美祂，  
稱呼我主尊榮。

## **Greeting**

*All standing, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> responses should be used, the others are optional.*

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

R. Hosanna in the highest!

*The Celebrant may say the following prayer or any other appropriate prayer*

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.*

## **Kyrie Eleison**

*On other occasions the following is used*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 Liturgy of the Word**

### **The Lessons**

*The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying*

The First and Second Reading from Psalm 22:22-26 & 2 Timothy 1:8-12.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Anthem - "Proclaim the Glory of the Lord"**

*Verse 1*

Proclaim the glory of the Lord, let every tongue confess He reigns; Lift up His name in praises forever.

Proclaim the glory of the Lord, make known His mighty deeds to all; Take up the call, let every nation know.

*Chorus*

He is our Messiah, our Savior, and our King.

Let all our voices join as one and fill the earth with singing.

Glory to our God, His greatness we applaud; Let every race on every shore proclaim the glory of the Lord.

*Verse 2*

Proclaim the glory of the Lord, give honor to the Prince of Peace; for if we cease the stones will start shouting.

Proclaim the glory of the Lord, with hands uplifted; Let us raise immortal praise to Him who reigns on high.

*Chorus*

He is our Messiah, our Savior, and our King.

Let all our voices join as one and fill the earth with singing.

Glory to our God, His greatness we applaud; Let every race on every shore proclaim the glory of the Lord.

*Chorus*

He is our Messiah, our Savior, and our King.

Let all our voices join as one and fill the earth with singing.

Glory to our God, His greatness we applaud; Let every race on every shore proclaim the glory  
proclaim the glory,  
proclaim the glory,  
proclaim the glory of the Lord

**The Gospel**

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12:1-8.

*People* Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## **The Sermon by Rev. Stephen Tan**

### **The Nicene Creed**

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 men and for our salvation

He came down from heaven:

conceived by 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 of the People**

V. Save Your people, Lord, and bless Your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

- V. Day by day we bless You;  
 R. We praise Your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
 R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us Your love and mercy;  
 R. For we put our trust in You.
- V. In You, Lord, is our hope;  
 R. And we shall never hope in vain.
- V. Let us now pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Moment of Silence*

**Closing Collect**

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at His coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

**Confession**

*The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

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, we pray You of Your mercy: forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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.*

**Prayer of Humble Access**

Most merciful Lord, we do not trust in our own merits to come to Your table, but in Your boundless grace. You have invited us to come to the table of the Kingdom of Heaven. Help us to

partake of the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that we may ever-more live in Him, and He in us. Amen.

### The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."

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

*People*               And also with you.

*The people exchange the peace of the Lord.*

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Offertory

*Celebrant*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His Name. Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

*Offertory Hymn*

#### #122 - "Jesus The Very Thought Of Thee"

Jesus, the very thought of Thee  
With sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see,  
And in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,  
Nor can the memory find  
A sweeter sound than Thy blest Name,  
The Saviour of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart,  
O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this  
Nor tongue nor pen can show;  
The love of Jesus, what it is,  
None but His loved ones know. Amen.

### “主耶穌我若思念祢”

- 1 主耶穌我若思念祢，  
心就快樂得意，  
若見祢面與祢居住，  
更較甜蜜無比。
- 2 人類救主耶穌基督，  
聖名寶貴尊榮，  
心難測度口難講明，  
無別人可比併。
- 3 悔改的人在主面前，  
享受平安喜樂，  
墮落的人主永愛疼，  
不再給罪束縛。
- 4 尋祢的人福氣何大，  
口舌難說分明，  
耶穌的愛何深何潤，  
如溪水流不停。阿們。

*After the offerings are collected, the people sing*

All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

### **Consecration of the Palms**

*Priest*

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.*

*The palms are brought near the entrance.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them up to the Lord.

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

*People* It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify You, Father, and to give You thanks; for You alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, You made all things and fill them with Your blessing; You created them to rejoice in the splendor of Your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before You to serve You night and day; and, beholding the glory of Your presence, they offer You unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim You, and glorify Your Name, as we sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High! Amen.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We acclaim You, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal Your wisdom and love. You formed us in Your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to You, our Creator, we might rule and serve all Your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from You, You did not abandon us to the power of death. In Your mercy You came to our help, so that in seeking You we might find You. Again and again You called us into covenant with You, and through the prophets You taught us to hope for salvation.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

When the hour had come for Him to be glorified by You, His heavenly Father, having loved His own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in Your goodness and mercy Your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for Your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of Your Name.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

V. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

R. Let us rejoice and exult and give the glory to the Lord.



*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### **The Blessing**

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people with either of the following*

Now to God who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

### **Announcements**

1. For those who are present, do be reminded to bring home a palm leaf on your way out. This will serve as a reminder for us that of what Christ, our Savior King, came to earth to do for us and our response to live for Him.
2. Please be reminded of our Holy Week services this week:
  - a. Holy Wednesday – 8:00PM
  - b. Maundy Thursday with the stripping of the altar – 8:00PM
  - c. Good Friday – 9:00AM

We praise God that we can have all services live and face-to-face. Livestream will also be available with the links found on our website.

### **Closing Hymn #140 - "Follow, I Will Follow Thee"**

### **“我要跟隨祢”**

*Verse 1*

Jesus calls me, I must follow,  
Follow Him today;  
When His tender voice is pleading  
How can I delay?

1 耶穌呼召，我要跟隨，  
現在跟隨主，  
聽祂呼聲溫柔仁慈，  
我那可躊躇。

*Chorus*

Follow, I will follow Thee, my Lord,  
Follow ev'ry passing day;  
My tomorrows are all known to Thee,  
Thou wilt lead me all the way.

*Verse 2*

Jesus calls me, I must follow,  
Follow ev'ry hour,  
Know the blessing of His presence,  
Fullness of His pow'r.

*Verse 3*

Jesus calls me, I must follow,  
Follow Him always;  
When my Savior goes before me  
I can never stray.

**Dismissal**

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God!

Postlude

和： 跟隨我要跟隨主耶穌，  
各日跟隨主腳步，  
主祢真知我一生路途，  
祢的確引導保護。

2 耶穌呼召，我要跟隨，  
時刻跟隨主，  
與主同在福氣齊備，  
氣力祂賞賜。

3 耶穌呼召，我要跟隨，  
永遠跟隨祂，  
靠主扶持引導指示，  
我就不偏離。