

A Service of Morning Prayer
for March 28, 2021
PASSION SUNDAY



Entry into Jerusalem - Pedro de Orrente 1580-1645

Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name

Philippians 2:8-9

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory,
may we, walking in the way of the cross,
find it is for us the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

CP 181 All Glory Laud and Honour

Refrain

*All glory laud and honour
To Thee Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children
Make sweet hosannas ring*

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

2. The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply
Refrain

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

4. To Thee before Thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise
To Thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise
Refrain

5. Thou didst accept their praises
Accept the prayers we bring
Who in all good delightest
Thou good and gracious King
Refrain

Dear friends in Christ,
as we prepare to worship almighty God,
let us with penitent and obedient hearts
confess our sins,
that we may obtain forgiveness
by his infinite goodness and mercy.
Silence is kept.

The officiant and people say 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 neighbours 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.**

The priest says, 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.

People **Amen.**

Christ became obedient unto death: O come, let us worship.

Psalm 31:9-16 Refrain: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

31:9 Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

31:10 For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

31:11 I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

31:12 I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

31:13 For I hear the whispering of many-- terror all around!-- as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

31:14 But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

31:15 My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

31:16 Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

A Reading from Isaiah 50:4-9a

50:4 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.

50:5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

50:6 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.

50:7 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;

50:8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

50:9a It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 192 Were You There

1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble:
were you there when they crucified my Lord?

2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble:
were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble:
were you there when they pierced him in the side?

4. Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble:
were you there when the sun refused to shine?

5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble:
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

A Reading from Philippians 2:5-11

2:5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

2:6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

2:7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,

2:8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross.

2:9 Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

2:10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

2:11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 196 Ah, Holy Jesus

1 Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate
pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted!

2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this
upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee!
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee;
I crucified thee.

3 Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is
offered;
the slave hath sinned, and the Son hath
suffered.
For our atonement, while we nothing
heeded,
God interceded

4 For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation,
thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;
thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
for my salvation.

5 Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
not my deserving.

The Passion according to Mark

CCLI 4490766 Power of the Cross

1. Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

Chorus

This the power of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

2. Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Chorus

This the power of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

4. Oh to see my name written in the
wounds
For through Your suffering I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to
live
Won through Your selfless love

Chorus

This the power of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

3. Now the daylight flees now the ground
beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the victory cry

What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven.
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People compiled and led by Betty Johnson

God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to bring unity to the human race through his suffering and death.

In the world-wide cycle of prayer, we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

In Canada we pray for the Diocese of Quebec: The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop.

In our Diocese we pray for Bishop Jane as she nears the end of her journey as Bishop to embark on a new journey in God's service. As we prepare to say goodbye to a beloved leader we pray for a smooth transition as we search for a new Bishop.

We pray for the Canterbury Foundation residence and staff as they search for new board members from the Anglican community.

We pray for St. Mary, Vegreville: Laureta Blondin, Rector

We pray for our own parish of St Peters, especially our clergy Heather and Alison, and all St. Peter's family.

In the Diocese of Buye we pray for the Kagoma area: Frederic Miburo.

We pray for the Louis Bull Tribe.

Let us offer our prayers for the whole world, saying, **Lord, hear us.**

That all Christians may embrace the joy of this Holy Week with a commitment to repent of past sins and strive for holiness, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That Church leaders may proclaim with courage and conviction the gospel of Christ crucified; we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That world leaders and all in authority especially our Queen may reflect the sovereignty of Christ as they work to eliminate unnecessary suffering from their countries, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That the crucifixion of Christ for all people may teach us that there is no such thing as a worthless life, or a person God does not love, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That those preparing to enter the Church this Easter may be protected from evil and grow in holiness, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That those who suffer in mind, body or spirit may know the healing touch of our Saviour King. We bring before you those for whom prayers are specifically requested: Sandra; Merle; Mona; Nicole; Lois; Ray; Evelyn; Irene and Sandy; Joyce; Jaclyn; Jim and Par; Kathryn; Joan; Trevor and Kristine; Mary; Helen; Brent; Cathy; Jenifer; Gavin, Ginnie, and Niall; Jordan and Simone, Judy and Tony...we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

That those who have died may find everlasting joy in the Father's kingdom, especially Frances Buxton we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

Compassionate Father, it has been a long while since we have been able to gather as one body in your presence to worship you in fellowship and community. We long for the time that we can gather again in our beloved St. Peter's and experience the joy and fellowship of shared worship in a shared space. We ask for trust and for patience, not only for ourselves, but for all worshipping communities, so that when the time is right, we can open our doors and once again, carefully and with the safety of all in our minds and hearts, come together again in love and fellowship.

Until that time, we thank you for the many opportunities you have granted us to worship in different ways and we ask that you make us always mindful that the church is not the building where worship happens but that the church lives in us as you live in us, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear us.

Father, you allowed your Son to suffer for the salvation of the world. As you answer our prayers, give us grace to follow the example of Jesus, for he is Lord forever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect

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 for ever.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

CCLI 7026028 Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

1. Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

2. Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand

3. Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

The Dismissal

Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever, Amen.

Thanks be to God.

Go in peace, embraced by the Source of life, love and hope; following in the way of Jesus, just and compassionate, encouraged by the Spirit of grace and wisdom.

Thanks be to God.