

The Church of Saint Stephen-in-the-Fields



Palm / Passion Sunday
April 9, 2022

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Maggie Helwig

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Liturgy of the Palms

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. 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, but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering, and death. Today we greet him as our King, although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by way of the dark road of suffering and death. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.

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 give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Response **Amen.**

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

Response **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Response **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel of the Palms: *Luke 19.28-40*

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of

Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

***Response* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Blessing of the Palms

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

***Response* And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***Response* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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. The Hebrews acclaimed Jesus as Messiah and King, with palm branches in their hands, crying, Hosanna in the highest. May we also, carrying these emblems, go forth in our hearts to meet Christ 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.

***All* Amen.**

Palm Sunday Antiphon

***Cantor* The children of the Hebrews,
carrying palms and olive branches,
went forth to meet the Lord,
crying out and saying,
"Hosanna in the highest!"**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Cantor **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A period of silence is observed after each reading and the homily.

First Lesson: Isaiah 50.4-9a

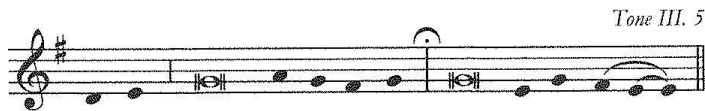
Reader A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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 backwards. 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? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Reader The word of the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31.9-16 *In te, Domine, speravi*



- Cantor 1* HAVE MER-cy on me, O Lord, for I am in trou-ble; /
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my bel-ly.
- Cantor 2* **For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sigh-ing; /
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are con-sümed.**
- Cantor 1* I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to
my neighbours, a dismay to those of my ac-quain-tance; /
when they see me in the street they a-void më.
- Cantor 2* **I am forgotten like a dead man, ^out of mind; /
I am as useless as a bro^ken pöt.**
- Cantor 1* For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is^all a-round; /
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- Cantor 2* **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. /
I have said, “You are my Göd.**
- Cantor 1* My times are^in your hand; /
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who per-se-cute më.
- Cantor 2* **Make your face to shine up-on your ser-vant, /
and in your loving-kind-ness save më.”**

Epistle: Philippians 2.5-11

Reader A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

Passion Gospel

Three readers proclaim the Passion: E represents the narrator; ✠ represents Jesus; O represents the other characters. The congregation is invited to join in the sections marked T, representing the turba, or crowd.

E The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, ✠ *I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.*

E Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, ✠ *Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.* **E** Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, ✠ *This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.* **E** And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, ✠ *This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!* **E** Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this. A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, ✠ *The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.*

E And Peter said to Jesus, **O** *Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!* **E** Jesus said, ✠ *I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.* **E** Then Jesus said to them, ✠ *When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?* **E** They said, **T** *No, not a thing.* **E** He said to them, ✠ *But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless'; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.* **E** They said, **T** *Lord, look, here are two swords.* **E** He replied, ✠ *It is enough.*

E Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, ✠ *Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.* *E* Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ✠ *Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.* *E* Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, ✠ *Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.*

E While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, ✠ *Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?* *E* When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, ***T Lord, should we strike with the sword?*** *E* Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, ✠ *No more of this!* *E* And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, ✠ *Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!*

E Then they seized Jesus and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, ***O This man also was with him.*** *E* But he denied it, saying, ***O Woman, I do not know him.*** *E* A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, ***O You also are one of them.*** *E* But Peter said, ***O Man, I am not!*** *E* Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting, ***O Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.*** *E* But Peter said, ***O Man, I do not know what you are talking about!*** *E* At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, ***T Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?*** *E* They kept heaping many other insults on him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said, ***T If you are the Messiah, tell us.*** *E* He

replied, ✠ *If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.* **E** All of them asked, **T Are you, then, the Son of God?** **E** He said to them, ✠ *You say that I am.* **E** Then they said, **T What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!**

E Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, **T We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.** **E** Then Pilate asked him, **O Are you the king of the Jews?** **E** He answered, ✠ *You say so.* **E** Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, **O I find no basis for an accusation against this man.** **E** But they were insistent and said, **T He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.**

E When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

E Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, **O You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.** **E** Then they all shouted out together, **T Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!** **E** (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, **T Crucify, crucify him!** **E** A third time he said to them, **O Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.** **E** But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

E As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, ✠ *Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.'* Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?

E Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, ✠ *Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.* *E* And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, ***T He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!*** *E* The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, ***T If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!***

E There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, *O Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!* *E* But the other rebuked him, saying, *O Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.* *E* Then he said, *O Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.* *E* He replied, ✠ *Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.* *E* It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, ✠ *Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.* *E* Having said this, he breathed his last.

¶ *Here all pause for a period of silence.*

E When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, *O Certainly this man was innocent.* *E* And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and

laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

At the conclusion of the Passion, no response is made.

Land Acknowledgement

Celebrant Though people may be joining us from many regions, we acknowledge that the Church of St. Stephen-in-the-Fields stands on occupied land, the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit (an Anishnaabe people), the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Wendat and Petun nations, land covered by the Dish With One Spoon wampum belt covenant. Treaty 13 and the Williams Treaty are also relevant to this territory.

We acknowledge that we have broken the treaties. We acknowledge the damage done by colonialism, and the role that our church has played in this, and we pledge ourselves to work for a future of justice and reconciliation.

Homily Mtr. Maggie Helwig

Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

***Response* 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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped 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.**

Intercessions

Bidding As announced.

Response As announced.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant Most merciful God,
Response **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.**

Celebrant 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.

Response **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Response **And also with you.**

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory hymn 186: *The royal banners forward go*

VEXILLA REGIS

- 1 The royal banners forward go;
the cross shines forth in mystic glow,
where he, the Life, did death endure,
and by that death did life procure.
- 2 There while he hung, his sacred side
by soldier's spear was opened wide
to cleanse us in the precious flood
of water mingled with his blood.
- 3 Fulfilled is all his words foretold;
then spread the banners, and unfold
love's crowning power, that all may see
he reigns and triumphs from the tree.
- 4 O tree of grace, the conquering sign,
which dost in royal purple shine,
gone is thy shame; for, lo, each bough
proclaims the prince of glory now.
- 5 For once thy favoured branches bore
the wealth that did the world restore,
the priceless treasure, freely spent
to pay for our enfranchisement.
- 6 Father of all, life's source and spring,
may every soul thy praises sing;
may those obey the rule of heaven,
for whom the perfect life was given.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Gracious God,
the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son,
makes us pleasing in your sight.
Alone we can do nothing,
but through his sacrifice,
may we receive your love and mercy.

Response **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Cantor **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

Cantor **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cantor **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface of Holy Week

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross,
that he might draw the whole world to himself.
By his suffering and death,
he became the source of eternal salvation
for all who put their trust in him.
Therefore with all the host of heaven
who gather around your throne and the Lamb,
we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Mass in plainchant style

Cantor **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.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
in calling 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 Saviour 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,
a death he freely accepted,
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, Father, according to his command,

Response **we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
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, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

***Response* Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Robinson

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
Cantor **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,
Response **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**
Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.
Response **If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**

Agnus Dei

Mass in plainchant style

Cantor **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.
 God our help and strength,
 you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food.
 Strengthen our faith,
 that through the death and resurrection of your Son,
 we may be led to salvation,
 for he is Lord now and for ever.

Response **Amen.**

Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,
Response **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes understanding,
 keep your hearts and minds
 in the knowledge and love of God,
 and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord.
 And the blessing of God Almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be with you all, and remain with you always.

Response **Amen.**

Hymn 198: O sacred head, surrounded

PASSION CHORALE

1 O sacred head, surrounded by crown of piercing thorn;
 O royal head so wounded, reviled, and put to scorn,
 death's shadows rise before you, the glow of life decays,
 yet angel hosts adore you and tremble as they gaze!

- 2 Your youthfulness and vigour are spent, your strength is gone,
and in your tortured figure I see death drawing on:
what agony of dying, what love, to sinners free!
My Lord, all grace supplying, O turn your face on me!
- 3 Your sinless soul's oppression was all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the transgression, but yours the deadly pain:
I bow my head, my Saviour for I deserve your place;
O grant to me your favour, and heal me by your grace.
- 4 What language shall I borrow to thank you, dearest friend,
for this your dying sorrow, your mercy without end?
Lord, make me yours forever: your servant let me be,
and may I never, never betray your love for me.

Dismissal

Deacon Go forth in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

***Response* Thanks be to God.**

Announcements

Postlude

Sanctus & Benedictus, Agnus Dei, music: 'Mass in plainchant style', Trinity College, 2012

The Lord's Prayer, music: McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015).

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