



CHRIST CHURCH
THE ANGLICAN/EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VIENNA

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Assemble in the church garden.

Hosanna to the Son of David.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion,
meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass.
Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice.
Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever;
and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre.
You have loved righteousness and hated evil:
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Hosanna to the Son of David
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The celebrant welcomes those in attendance.

Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The celebrant introduces the celebration.

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world.

Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

The congregation hold up their palms while this prayer is said.

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, let these palms 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 is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ 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. ³¹ If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' ³⁴ They said, 'The Lord needs it.' ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ 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, ³⁸ saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' ⁴⁰ He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, O Christ.

The celebrant addresses the people.

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

HYMN 159

*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made 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:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***
- 2 **The company of angels
are praising thee on high,
and mortal men and all things
created make reply:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***
- 3 **The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***

- 4 **To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to thee now high exalted
our melody we raise:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***
- 5 **Thou didst accept their praises,
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***
- 6 **Thy sorrow and thy triumph
grant us, O Christ, to share,
that to the holy city
together we may fare:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***
- 7 **For homage may we bring thee
our victory o'er the foe,
that in the Conqueror's triumph
this strain may ever flow:
*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.***

COLLECT

The celebrant prays the collect set for the day.

Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 50:4-9a

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. ⁵ The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. 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. 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; 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. ⁹ It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

PSALM

Psalms 31:9-16

- 9 **Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;
my eye wastes away for grief, my throat also and my inward parts.**
- 10 **For my life wears out in sorrow, and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me in my affliction, and my bones are consumed.**
- 11 **I am become the scorn of all my enemies
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.
I am a thing of horror to my friends;
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.**

12 **I am forgotten like a dead man out of mind;
I have become like a broken vessel.**

13 **For I hear the whispering of many;
and fear is on every side;
While they plot together against me,
and scheme to take away my life.**

14 **But in you Lord have I put my trust;
I have said 'You are my God.'**

15 **'My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**

16 **'Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and save me for your mercy's sake.'**

LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 118

- 1 **Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beautiful feet,
which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.**

2 **Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat;
to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.**

3 **In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears;
nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.**

PASSION GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS 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.

EVANGELIST Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,

JESUS 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.

EVANGELIST Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

JESUS This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

EVANGELIST And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying,

JESUS 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!

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS 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.

EVANGELIST Jesus said to Simon Peter,

JESUS 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.

PETER Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!

JESUS I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.

When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?

DISCIPLES No, not a thing.

JESUS 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.

DISCIPLES Lord, look, here are two swords.

JESUS It is enough.

EVANGELIST He 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,

JESUS Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

EVANGELIST Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed,

JESUS Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?

EVANGELIST When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

DISCIPLES Lord, should we strike with the sword?

EVANGELIST Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

JESUS No more of this!

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS 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!

EVANGELIST Then they seized him 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,

SERVANT-GIRL This man also was with him.

EVANGELIST But he denied it:

PETER Woman, I do not know him.

EVANGELIST A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

BYSTANDER 1 You also are one of them.

PETER Man, I am not!

EVANGELIST Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting,

BYSTANDER 2 Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.

PETER Man, I do not know what you are talking about!

EVANGELIST 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,

MEN Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?

EVANGELIST 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,

PRIESTS If you are the Messiah, tell us.

JESUS 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.

PRIESTS Are you, then, the Son of God?

JESUS You say that I am.

PRIESTS What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!

EVANGELIST Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him.

PRIESTS 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.

PILATE Are you the king of the Jews?

JESUS You say so.

PILATE I find no basis for an accusation against this man.

PRIESTS He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.

EVANGELIST 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.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

PILATE 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.

EVANGELIST Then they all shouted out together,

PEOPLE Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!

EVANGELIST 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,

PEOPLE Crucify, crucify him!

EVANGELIST A third time he said to them,

PILATE 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.

EVANGELIST 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.

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,

JESUS 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?

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.

EVANGELIST And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him.

PEOPLE He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!

EVANGELIST The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine.

SOLDIERS If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!

EVANGELIST 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.

ROBBER 1 Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

EVANGELIST But the other rebuked him.

ROBBER 2 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. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

JESUS Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

EVANGELIST Having said this, he breathed his last.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

CENTURION Certainly this man was innocent.

EVANGELIST 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.

The shorter version ends here.

EVANGELIST 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.

This is the Passion of the Lord.

No response is made.

SERMON

The appointed preacher offers a sermon.

INTERCESSIONS

A member of the congregation offers prayers.

Please use the following response to the intercessions:

PEACE

The celebrant introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence:

Once we were far off,
but now in union with Christ Jesus
we have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All exchange an appropriate sign of peace.

HYMN 147

1 **My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.**

O who am I,
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh, and die?

2 He came from his blest throne,
salvation to bestow;
but men made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
my Friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend!

3 Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
is all their breath,
and for his death
they thirst and cry.

4 Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.

5 They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of Life they slay.

Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
from thence might free.

6 In life, no house, no home
my Lord on earth might have;
in death, no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing:
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer E

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 thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near
the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.
The power of the life-giving cross
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world
and the triumph of Christ crucified.
He is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever,
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
for ever praising you and *saying*:

**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.]**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice

made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [N and] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

As God's children, and heirs with Christ
we cry in the Spirit, 'Abba', Father:

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

**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.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The celebrant distributes communion.

ANTHEM

POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,

to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

NOTICES

BLESSING

Christ crucified draw you to himself,
to find in him a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sins forgiven;

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

HYMN 161

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry:
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.**
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.**

- 3 **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

- 4 **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
The last and fiercest strife is nigh:
the Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.

- 5 **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

No Dismissal.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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