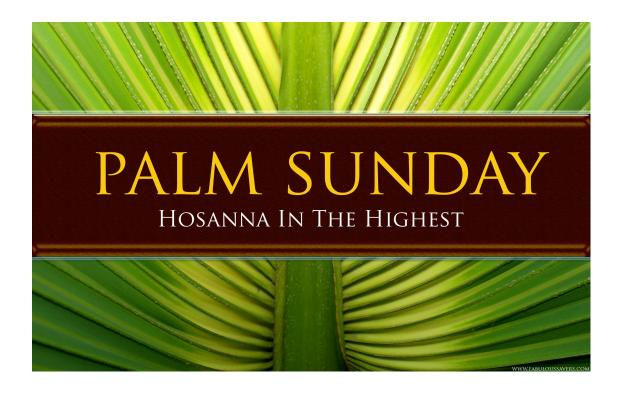
# The Liturgy of Palm Sunday Holy Eucharist - Rite Two March 24, 2024 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



Rector - The Rev. Jessie Smith

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## Seating For This Morning's Service:

The congregation will gather outside of the sanctuary for the Liturgy of the Palms and the Blessing of the Palms.

Those who do not wish to process may be seated in the chairs provided at the entrance, or you may be seated in the sanctuary.

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## The Liturgy of the Palms

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.* 

Gospel: Mark 11:1-11 Please stand as able.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Blessing of the Palms (Palms will be distributed to the congregation)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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*.

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Procession

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

(The congregation will process around the Church grounds, stopping at two stations for prayers and then returning to the sanctuary entrance.)

8:00 a.m. - Sing per below; 10:00 a.m. - bagpipe player



#### At the First Station

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### Celebrant:

Open for me the gates of righteousness.

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

At the Second Station

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosanna, Lord, hosanna! Lord, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;

we bless you from the house of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(The congregation returns to the front doors of the sanctuary.)

In front of the Sanctuary

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God, and I will thank you;

you are my God, and I will exalt you."

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures for ever.

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

## Prelude (10:00 a.m.)

Processional on "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" - Dan Miller

The congregation will now process into the sanctuary while the prelude is being played, circling the sanctuary, then taking your seat.



# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two The Liturgy of the Word

Salutation (Please stand as able.)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures for ever.

## Collect for Purity

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.

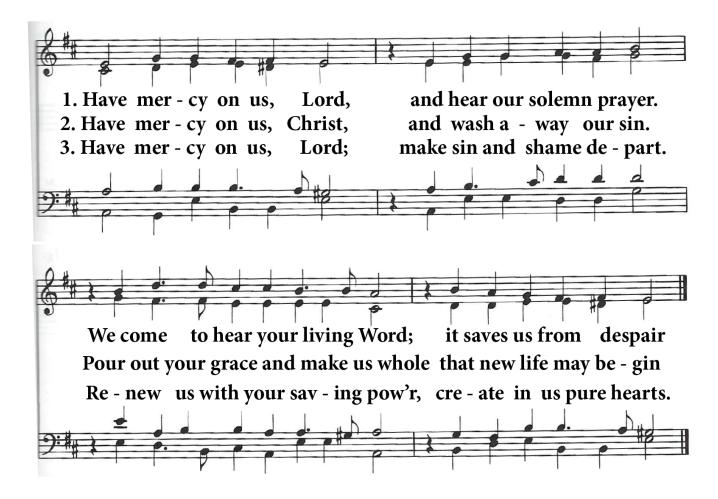
The Kyrie (8:00a.m.)

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

#### The Kyrie (10:00a.m.)



#### The Prayer Over the Children

Blessed are you Lord God of all creation. You have blessed us with the joy and care of children. May the knowledge of you dawn on them, may the love of you grow in them and may the grace of your Spirit draw them to you. Amen. The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day: Sunday of the Passion

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.* 

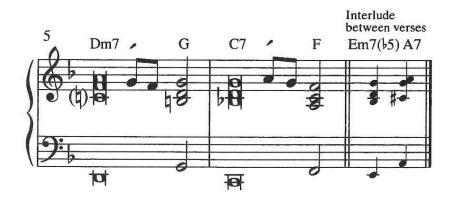
#### The First Lesson Isaiah 50:4–9a (Please be seated)

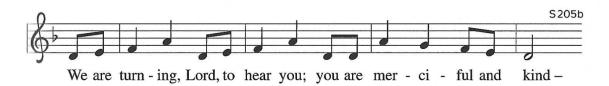
A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

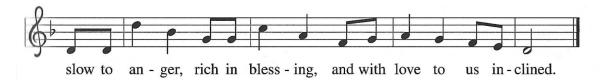
The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens — wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck 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: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.







## [Antiphon]

- 9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; \* my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \*
  my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.
- I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; \* when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*
  I am as useless as a broken pot. [Ant.]

- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; \*
  they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. \* I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \* rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \* and in your loving-kindness save me." [Ant.]

#### The Second Lesson Philippians 2:5–11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Homily

The Rev. Jessie Smith

The Gospel: Mark 14:1 - 15:47

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

<u>Please refer to the insert</u>. The congregation is to speak at each place where it says "Crowd" or "CD".(Please be seated until the arrival to the place that is called The Skull).

#### The Nicene Creed (Please stand.)

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 became truly human.

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.

## Prayers of the People - Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Loving God, through the passion of your Son Jesus, you have poured out your divine life in love for us despite our evil: Strengthen us to take up our cross and to follow in his way, that we may share in your redeeming work, as we pray: We have trusted in you, O God. We have said, "You are our God."

You have called your Church to be the community of the crucified One, O Gracious One: Help us to walk in Christ's path of obedient humility, that we may be willing to suffer for the sake of your goodness. We have trusted in you, O God. We have said, "You are our God."

In Christ's exultation upon the cross you have made a mockery of the pretentions of the rulers and authorities of the world, Almighty One: Grant to all leaders the strength to walk in your way of humble service that we may be saved from all tyranny and oppression. We have said, "You are our God."

Compassionate One, We bring to your care all whose lives are wasted with grief and their years with sighing, as we pray for all who suffer throughout the world. We have trusted in you, O God. We have said, "You are our God."

Our times are in your hand, and you sustain the weary with a word, Our Loving God: Uphold all in our community who endure shame or threat, that they may turn to the cross and be comforted. We have trusted in you, O God. We have said, "You are our God."

We pray for those among us who need your saving help. We give you thanks for pouring your divine life into our lives, as we offer our gratefulness in thanksgiving. We pray for all who have followed Christ along the human journey into death. Let them be united in his death and raised into his glory.

The congregation may add special intentions here.

We have trusted in you, O God. We have said, "You are our God."

Gracious God, your Son Jesus endured mockery, pain, and death in order to reveal to us your power that overcomes evil with love and brings life out of death: Guide and guard us in our earthly pilgrimage, that we may gladly share in his passion and be raised with him into your glory, who with the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

#### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen. (from Enriching Our Worship 1)

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 Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

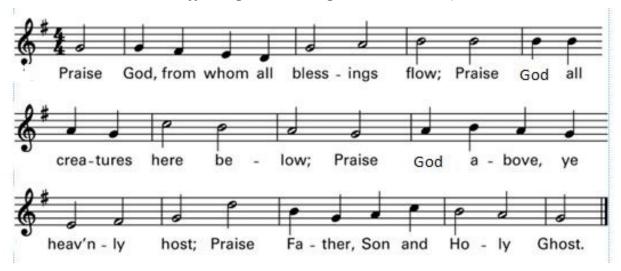
#### Announcements

## The Liturgy of the Table

## Offertory Anthem (10:00 a.m.)

Jesus is the Living Stone - Mary McDonald

(Please stand as able when offerings are brought to the altar.)



#### The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship 1 - Eucharistic Prayer 2

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 our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you,

holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

## Sanctus (8:00a.m.):

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

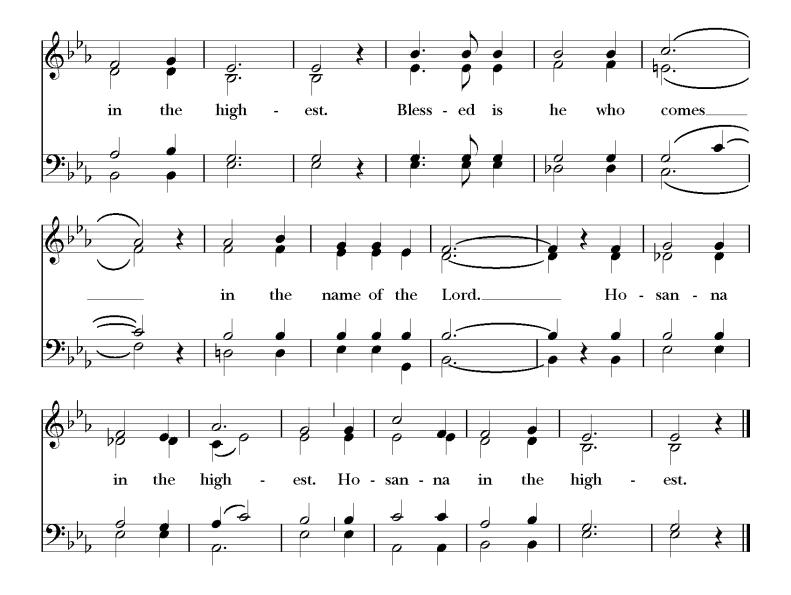
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

## Sanctus\* (10:00a.m.) S130





#### The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to 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 celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### The Invitation

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion, or you are welcome to come forward to the altar rail with your arms crossed and receive a blessing. We believe that if it is in your heart to seek God at this table, then it is in God's heart to meet you here. Welcome.

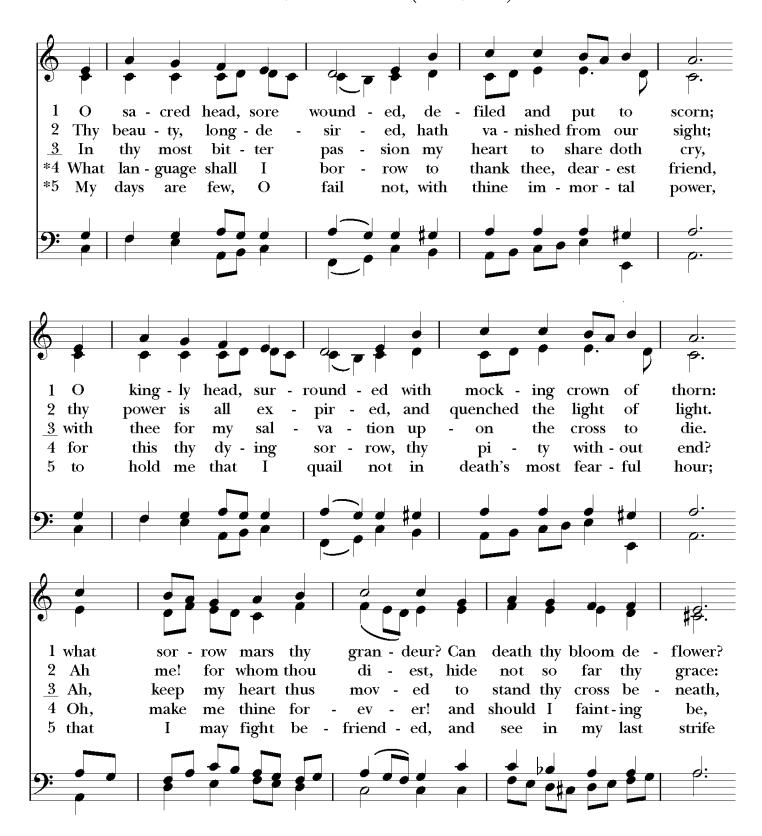
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to come forward and receive the sacrament of Holy Communion (in both the bread and wine, or in one form only). Alternatively, you are welcome to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing.

For those worshipping with us online this morning, we invite you to say this prayer for Spiritual Communion:

God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior, our true Mother who feeds us and gives us eternal life. Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Communion** - O sacred head, sore wounded (H168, v.1-4)





#### Post Communion Prayer (Please stand as you are able.)

Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### Benediction

## **Recessional** - We long to know peace (Tune: Lyons)

"We long to know peace!" Jerusalem said As Caesar's great troops filled people with dread. As soldiers and armies marched in with great might, No justice was found and no peace was in sight.

"Hosanna! God saves!" they cried to the Lord.
They called him a king and looked for his sword.
Would he fight their battles and turn things around?
Then Christ rode a creature of peace into town.

"He isn't our king!" the crowd quickly turned, Rejecting the gift for which they had yearned. They mocked him and killed him, yet death did not win. Christ rose from the dead and brought God's peace again.

"We long to know peace!" O God, we still say, Yet when Jesus calls we turn him away. O God, may we see in this non-violent king The peace that your offer, the life that you bring.

The Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

Psalm XX - Benedetto Marcello

#### Passion Gospel Readers

(8:00 a.m.) - Per Dahlin, Bob Zondervan, Monica Christianson,
 Terri Rahhal, Bekka Murray, Marcy Clements, Gino Dixon,
 Denize Zondervan, Jayne Mackley, David Anderson
 (10:00 a.m.) - Rob Edsall, Shari Hardy, Anne Powell, Bob Hughes,
 Ruth Godfrey, George Izaguirre, Sarah Nation, Joy Pero,
 Rachel Hughes, Greg Marshall, Marci Stewart

Serving This Morning (8:00 a.m.)

Minister - The Rev. Jessie Smith

Lay Eucharistic Minister - Muriel Poston-Hughes

Lectors - Alan Heslop (both readings)

Ushers - Jayne Mackley

Serving This Morning (10:00 a.m.)

Minister - The Rev. Jessie Smith

Organist - Dr. Taylor Ruhl

Cantor - Juliana Baioni

Bagpipe - Timothy Riley

Lay Eucharistic Ministers - Greg Marshall, Lynn Nickens

Lectors - Bob Hughes, Rachel Hughes

Acolyte - Lilli Edeson

Zoom Tech - Diego Gamiz - Gomez

Usher - Greg Marshall

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