

# CARLISLE CATHEDRAL

## **THE LITURGY OF PALM SUNDAY**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021  
10.30am**

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### The President at the Eucharist is:

The Very Revd Mark Boyling, Dean

### The Deacon at the Eucharist is:

The Revd Canon Michael Manley, Canon Missioner

*The Three Lay Clerks sing under the direction of the Director of Music, Mr Mark Duthie. The organ is played by the Assistant Organist, Mr Edward Taylor.*

Setting: Lloyd: *Carlisle Mass*

Voluntary: J. S. Bach: *Valet will ich dir geben BWV 736*



## **We gather**

*The Dean introduces the service.*

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 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 Palm Gospel:** Matthew 21. 1-9 (NEB)

Hear the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus and his disciples were nearing Jerusalem; and when they reached Bethphage at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples with these instructions: "Go to the village opposite, where you will at once find a donkey tethered with her foal beside her; untie them, and bring them to me. If anyone speaks to you, say, "Our Master needs them"; and he will let you take them at once.'

This was to fulfil the prophecy which says, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, "Here is your king, who comes to you in gentleness, riding on an ass, riding on the foal of a beast of burden."'. The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed, and brought the donkey and her foal; they laid their cloaks on them and Jesus mounted. Crowds of people carpeted the road with their cloaks, and some cut branches from the trees to spread in his path. Then the crowd that went ahead and the others that came behind raised the shout:

'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the heavens.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**OPENING HYMN** (NEH 511) *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry,  
Thy humble beast pursues his road  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

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.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The wingèd squadrons of the sky  
Look down with sad and wondering eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
The Father on his sapphire throne  
Awaits his own anointed Son.

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.

Henry Milman 1791-1868

*The President says the Collect:*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

The Epistle: Philippians 2. 5-11

Let your bearing towards one another arise out of your life in Christ Jesus. For the divine nature was his from the first; yet he did not think to snatch at equality with God, but made himself nothing, assuming the nature of a slave. Bearing the human likeness, revealed in human shape, he humbled himself, and in obedience accepted even death - death on a cross. Therefore God raised him to the heights and bestowed on him the name above all names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow - in heaven, on earth, and in the depths - and every tongue confess, "Jesus Christ is Lord", to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **THE PASSION SEQUENCE**

*The congregation sits to listen to the Passion according to St Mark. The Lay Clerks sing the verses of the hymn "My song is love unknown" between the different sections of the Passion narrative.*

*A plain cross, the symbol of Christ in his suffering, is in place in the Presbytery.*

*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?*

### **THY WILL BE DONE**

Mark 14: 32-42

*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.*

## **BETRAYED AND DESERTED**

Mark 14: 43-52

*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!*

## **DENIED**

Mark 14: 53-54, 66-72

*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 them rise.*

## **JUDGED**

Mark 15: 1-20

*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.*

## **CRUCIFIED**

Mark 15: 21-39

*In life, no house or 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.*

## **BURIED**

Mark 15: 42-49

*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.*

### **The Peace**

Christ is our peace.  
He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.  
We share his peace.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

## ***Preparation of the Gifts***

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.  
**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

*The President and Lay Clerks sing:*

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.*

*The President praises God for his mighty acts.*

*The Lay Clerks sing the **Sanctus and Benedictus:***

*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.*

*The following responses are said:*

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

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.*

**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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## **The 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.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

**Most merciful Lord,  
your love compels us to come in.  
Our hands were unclean,  
our hearts were unprepared;  
we were not fit  
even to eat the crumbs from under your table.  
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,  
and share your bread with sinners.  
So cleanse and feed us  
with the precious body and blood of your Son  
that he may live in us and we in him;  
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,  
may sit and eat in your kingdom.  
Amen.**

## **The Communion**

*At the administration, Communion will be offered in one kind only at the Sanctuary step.*

*The Lay Clerks sing the **Agnus Dei**.*

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

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have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sing of the world,  
Grant us peace.*

## **After Communion**

**Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name,  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## **The 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.**

## **FINAL HYMN** (NEH 83) *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Glory be to Jesus,  
who, in bitter pains,  
poured for me the life-blood  
from his sacred veins.

Grace and life eternal  
in that blood I find;  
blest be his compassion,  
infinitely kind.

Blest through endless ages  
be the precious stream,  
which from endless torment  
doth the world redeem.

Oft as earth exulting  
wafts its praise on high,  
hell with terror trembles,  
heaven is filled with joy.

Lift ye then your voices;  
swell the mighty flood;  
louder still and louder  
praise the precious blood.

Friedrich Filitz 1804–76

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Voluntary: J. S. Bach: *Fantasia in G minor* BWV 541 i

