

Trinity CHURCH | CREC

A Service of Prayer and Preaching
Palm Sunday
April 5, 2020

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

1.Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty!
 2.Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty!
 3.Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty!
 4.Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty!
 5.Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty!

Hark! all the tribes ho - san - na cry;
 In low - ly pomp ride on to die;
 The an - gel ar - mies of the sky
 Thy last and fierc - est strife is night;
 In low - ly pomp ride on to die;

O Sa - vior meek, pur - sue thy road
 O Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin
 Look down with sad and won - d'ring eyes
 The Fa - ther on His sap - phire throne
 Bow thy meek head to mor - tal pain,

With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
 O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 To see the'a - pproa - ching sac - ri - fice.
 Ex - pects His own a - noint - ed Son.
 Then take, O God, thy pow'r and reign.

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Call to Worship the Lord

M: Hosanna to the Son of David,

P: He is the King of Israel.

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

P: Hosanna in the highest!

M: Behold your King comes to you, O Zion,

P: Meek and lowly, sitting upon the foal of a donkey.

M: Hosanna to the Son of David.

P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Amen.

M: Peace be with you!

P: And also with your spirit!

Psalm 33:1–3 (NKJV)

1 Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful. 2 Praise the LORD with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. 3 Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy.

Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor (Cantus 268 / Next Page)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH [VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN] (7 6. 7 6. D.)

Melchior Teschner, c. 1614

harm. J. S. Bach

Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820

tr. John Mason Neale, 1854; alt.

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To Thee, Re - deem - er, King,
 2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are prais - ing Thee on high,
 3. To Thee, be - fore Thy Pas - sion, They sang their hymns of praise;

To Whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
 And mor - tal men and all things Cre - at - ed make re - ply.
 To Thee, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.

Thou art the King of Is - rael Thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 The peo - ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore Thee went;
 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Who in the Lord's name com - est, The King and Bless - ed One!
 Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 Who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and gra - cious King!

Exhortation from the Scriptures

Zechariah 9:9–10 (NKJV)

- 9 “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your King is coming to you;
He *is* just and having salvation,
Lowly and riding on a donkey,
A colt, the foal of a donkey.
- 10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
And the horse from Jerusalem;
The battle bow shall be cut off.
He shall speak peace to the nations;
His dominion *shall be* ‘from sea to sea,
And from the River to the ends of the earth.’

Corporate Confession

(From Psalm 5)

M: Almighty God ...

P: Hear our words and our groanings, O Lord. Give attention to our cry for mercy.

M: You are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.

You destroy those who speak lies; you abhor the bloodthirsty and deceitful.

P: But, O Lord, we are evildoers.

We are boastful, deceitful and bloodthirsty.

We have taken the lives of the innocent, abused the poor and the needy, exploited the helpless, approved perversity and immorality.

M: By your mercy alone,
by the abundance of your steadfast love
may we enter your house.

**P: Because of your Son, O Lord,
let us find refuge in you.**

Take away our sins and let us sing for joy.

Cover us with your favor as with a shield.

For the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 4:15–16 (NKJV)

15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

M: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

M: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

Hymn: Sanctus verse 2 (Cantus 407 / Next Page)

Sanctus

Franz Schubert, *Deutsche Messe*, 1827

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord! _____
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Ho - ly is the Lord! _____

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Wor - shipped and a - dored. _____
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Wor - shipped and a - dored. _____

He with - out be - gin - ning, Age - less and the same, _____
Lord of hosts, the glo - ry From Thy throne out - poured _____

Is and ev - er shall be, Glo - ry to His Name. _____
Fills the earth and heav - ens; Ho - ly is the Lord! _____

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Zechariah 9:1-10

New Testament: John 12:12-19

Officiant: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Catechism and Creed

WSC Q. 32. What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

A. They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.

Christians, whom do we worship and follow?

⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross. ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Philippians 2:5-11)

Psalms: Psalm 130 – Out of the Depths of Sadness
Psalm 24 – The Lord is King of Earth’s Domain
(Cantus 168, 41 / Following Pages)

Out of the Depths of Sadness

Psalm 130

DU FONS DE MA PENSEE (7 6. 7 6. 7 6. 7 6)

Strasbourg, 1539

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

Dewey Westra, 1931; rev.

1. Out of the depths of sad - ness, O LORD, I cried to Thee;
2. If, show - ing no com - pas - sion, Thou shouldst our sins re - cord
3. I wait for God to hide me; My soul, with long - ing stirred,
4. Hope in the LORD, O na - tion! With Him is stead - fast love;

Thou Who canst fill with glad - ness, Lend now Thy ear to me.
And mark all our trans - gres - sions, Who then could stand, O Lord?
Shall hope, what - e'er be - tide me, In His un - fail - ing word.
His plen - te - ous sal - va - tion He'll send you from a - bove.

O Fount of con - so - la - tion, At - tend un - to my cry;
But Thou dost par - don ful - ly All our in - iq - ui - ty,
For Thee, LORD, I am yearn - ing With more in - tense de - sire
He will re - deem His peo - ple, His cho - sen Is - ra - el,

Hear Thou my sup - pli - ca - tion And to my help draw nigh.
That we may serve Thee tru - ly And fear Thy maj - es - ty.
Than watch - ers for the morn - ing To dawn of day as - pire.
From all their sin and e - vil, That they His praise may tell.

The LORD Is King of Earth's Domain

Psalm 24

LA TERRE AU SEIGNEUR APPARTIENT (8 8 9. 8 8 9)

W. van der Kamp, 1967; rev.

Genevan Psalter, 1542

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

1. The LORD is King of earth's do - main, The world and all
 2. Who shall as - cend the hill of God, Stand in His ho -
 3. *Rich bless - ings shall be his re - ward, And vin - di - ca -*
 4. Lift up your heads, you arch and gate; O an - cient doors,
 5. Lift up your heads, you arch and gate; O an - cient doors,

that dwell there - in. Re - joice, O Zi - on's sons and daugh - ters,
 ly place, and laud The LORD, who lives and reigns for - ev - er?
tion from the LORD, Who is the Rock of his sal - va - tion.
 rise up and wait; Let Him come in, the King of glo - ry.
 rise up and wait; Let Him come in, the King of glo - ry.

For it stands firm by His de - crees; He found - ed it up -
 He who with - stands the wick - ed's lure, Who has clean hands, whose
Such are the men who seek the face Of Ja - cob's God, so
 Who is that King of glo - rious fame? The LORD Al - might - y
 Who is that King, in glo - ry great? The LORD of hosts, Him

on the seas, Es - tab - lished it up - on the wa - ters.
 heart is pure, Who keeps his oath and does not wa - ver.
rich in grace. From Him is all their ex - pec - ta - tion.
 is His Name, He who in bat - tle goes be - fore me.
 we a - wait. The LORD, He is the King of glo - ry!

Offertory and Prayer:

Hymn: Cast Thy Bread Upon the Waters (Supplement 76, Next Page)

ECCLESIASTES

Offertory

Cast Thy Bread upon the Waters
Ecclesiastes 11:1-2

2007

Heartily

Cast thy bread up - on the wa - ters: for thou shalt

6

find it af - ter ma - ny days. Give a por - tion to

11

se - ven, and al - so to eight: for thou know - est not — what

17

e - vil shall be up - on the earth, for thou know - est

23

not — what e - vil shall be up - on the earth. —

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Petition

Hymn: Why Do the Heathen Nations Rage (Cantus 368 / Next Page)

Why Do the Heathen Nations Vainly Rage?

Psalm 2

POURQUOI FONT BRUIT (10 11. 10 11. 11 10. 11 10)

Douglas Wilson, 2000

Strasbourg, 1539

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

1. Why do the heath - en na - tions vain - ly rage?
2. He speaks to them in right - eous, ho - ly wrath;
3. "The na - tions come; You are the on - ly Heir,

What pride - ful schemes are they in vain de - vis - ing?
God vex - es them and shows His great dis - pleas - ure.
The ends of earth will be Your own pos - ses - sion

The kings of earth and rul - ers all en - gage
"Yet have I set My King up - on the path
And bro - ken with a rod of i - ron there,

In e - vil plots, and in their sin con - triv - ing,
That up - ward winds to Zi - on, My own treas - ure."
Re - bel - lious pot - ter - y comes to de - struc - tion."

They take their stand a - gainst our God's Mes - si - ah;
 "You are My Son, to - day You are be - got - ten,"
 Now serve the LORD, with fear and glad - ness trem - bling,

They claim they will not keep His bind - ing chains.
 I will de - clare what God has said to Me -
 And there - fore, O ye kings, seek wis - dom here.

The one en - throned in high - est heav - en, high - er,
 'And not one tribe will ev - er be for - got - ten.
 How blessed are those who trust with - out dis - sem - bling,

Mocks them to scorn, on them de - ri - sion rains.
 You will re - ceive the world, just ask of Me."
 Who kiss the Son and bow in rev - erent fear.

The Continuation of the Kingdom

The OT and Historical Optimism

The Biblical Hope: Part V

Psalm 72

Stuart W. Bryan

I. End Times Speculation – An Historic Catalogue

Throughout the history of the Church, Christians have routinely predicted that the return of Christ was nigh. But all these predictions have two things in common: (1) those who made them were _____ of their prediction and (2) they were all _____.

II. Historical Pessimism vs. Historical Optimism

What will the *continuation of Christ's kingdom* look like? What fruit will the Gospel have in the history of the world prior to Christ's return? Do the Scriptures teach us to embrace historical *pessimism* or historical _____?

III. *Esse* vs. *Bene Esse* (cf. Gal 1:8-9; Phil 3:15-16)

Sorting out these questions concerning the *continuation of the kingdom* is important. After all, they are part of Scriptural teaching and are necessary for the Church's long-term health. Yet they are not so important that to differ on them is a matter of Christian orthodoxy. We can and should enjoy fellowship and camaraderie with believers who differ from us.

IV. Old Testament Expectation

Does the Word of God promise that all the nations of the earth shall acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus prior to the end of history? In order to answer this question, we must study the way the Word of God describes the nature of Jesus' Messianic Kingdom. What happens to the nations of the earth when God reigns via His Davidic King?

A. Creational Anticipation (Gen 3:15 cf. 1 Jn 3:8b)

"And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel" (Gen 3:15). Jesus would come to conquer the devil and undo the devastation he had brought into the world (1 Jn 3:8).

B. Abrahamic Promise (Gen 12:3 cf. Gal 3:7-8)

The Gospel was first declared to Abraham in these words: *"I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you _____ the families of the earth shall be blessed"* (Gen 12:3). God called Abraham in order to bless all nations:

"Shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing, since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have known him, in order that he may command his children and his household after him, that they keep the way of the Lord, to do righteousness and justice, that the Lord may bring to Abraham what He has spoken to him" (Gen 18:17-19).

C. Mosaic Wisdom (Dt 4:5-10 cf. Is 2:1-4)

God's law summarizes the justice and righteousness that Abraham was to bring to the nations. "Therefore be careful to observe [these statutes]," Moses declared, "for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear these statutes, and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people'" (Dt 4:6). So Isaiah prophesies:

²Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it. ³Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore. (Is 2:1-4)

D. The Dominion of David's Son (Ps 72:1-11 cf. 2:8-9; 22:27; 46:10; 66:4; 102:15)

God promised that through the wisdom and power of His Davidic King, He would reverse the effects of the Fall, bless all the families of the earth, and give the blessings of His Word to all the nations. This is what the psalms repeatedly sing and celebrate. For instance, Psalm 72 sings of the glory of the Messiah's reign:

Petition (v.1)
Description of his reign (2-7)
Extent of his reign (8-11)
Description of his reign (12-16)
Extent of his reign (17)
Petition (18-19)

As we consider the message of this psalm, note the way in which Jesus' rule is characterized: peace, joy, justice, fruitfulness, prosperity, true worship – all these things come in the wake of His dominion. And how far shall His influence extend? "From sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth, _____ nations shall serve Him, _____ nations shall call Him blessed" (8-11).

V. Application

A. My Glory I'll Not Give to Another (Ps 86:8-10; Is 42:5-9)

*8*Among the gods there is none like You, O Lord; Nor are there any works like Your works. *9*All nations whom You have made Shall come and worship before You, O Lord, And shall glorify Your name. *10*For You are great, and do wondrous things; You alone are God. (Ps 86:8-10)

B. The End of the World? (Ps 67; Hag 2:6-7)

Magna est veritas et praevalabit! (Wyclif) As Isaiah promises, "He will not fail nor be discouraged, Till He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands shall wait for His law" (Is 42:4).

VI. Conclusion

A Time of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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,
Forever.
Amen.

Bidding Prayers

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

For the forgiveness of our sins, our worship of other gods, our blasphemy, our neglect of the Lord's Day, our disregard for parental authority, our murder of the unborn, our desecration of marriage and perversion of sexuality, our theft of that which others have lawfully earned, our malicious speech, and our covetousness, with all our heart and all our mind, let us pray to the Lord...

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For our sinful self-sufficiency, for our refusal to give thanks to the Lord publicly for all His gifts to us, for our neglect to designate the Lord's service and worship as essential services, for no fault divorce, for our public sanction of same-sex longings, actions, and relationships in our so-called "anti-discrimination ordinance", let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,

in your mercy hear us.

For the holy catholic church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the gospel and the salvation of friend and foe through faith in Christ, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,

in your mercy hear us.

For this nation, for our cities and communities, for Northern Idaho, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those who labor, for those who own business that are being affected by this virus, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For all those in need, for those who have been put out of work, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For the sick and dying, especially those suffering with COVID and those health care workers who are ministering to them, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For our expectant mothers, our older members susceptible to the coronavirus, and for all those who are suffering with physical illnesses that make them more vulnerable to infection, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord... Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Your grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Blessing and Benediction

Psalm: Psalm 134 – Behold, Bless the Lord (Supplement 134, Next Page)

Psalm 134

A Song of Ascents.

1 Be - hold, bless the LORD, All you servants of the LORD, Who by night stand in the house of the LORD!

2 Lift up your hands in the sanc - tu - ar - y, And bless the LORD.

3 The LORD who made heav'n and earth Bless you from Zi - on!

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Benediction

May the Father,
who so loved the world that He gave his only Son,
bring you by faith to His eternal life.

Amen.

May Christ,
who accepted the cup of sacrifice in obedience to the Father's will,
keep you steadfast as you walk with Him the way of His cross.

Amen.

May the Spirit,
who strengthens us to suffer with Christ
that we may share His glory,
set your minds on life and peace.

Amen.

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

Amen.