Sunday of the Passion – Palm Sunday 10th April 2022

Sentence: Philippians 2.10-11

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Collect:

God of all, you have your only-begotten son to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-9a

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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31.9-18

- 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.
- 12. I am a thing of horror to my friends: and those that see me in the street shrink from me.
- 13. I am forgotten like a dead man out of mind: I have become like a broken vessel.
- 14. For I hear the whispering of many: and fear is on every side;
- 15. While they plot together against me: and scheme to take away my life.
- 16. But in you, Lord, have I put my trust: I have said 'You are my God.'
- 17. All my days are in your hand:
 O deliver me from the power of my enemies and from my persecutors.
- 18. Make your face to shine upon your servant: and save me for your mercy's sake.

Second Reading: Philippians 2.5-11

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.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 22.14-23.56

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the hour came, he 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.' 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.' 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.' 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!' Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, 'This man also was with him.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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