

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA



II VESPERS FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 28, 2021

Welcome: please note the symbols for cantor or celebrant (V) and assembly (R) and pray accordingly. The opening verse and Magnificat may be found on the insert. The psalmody of the office alternates, beginning with the cantor, then followed by assembly, etc. Antiphons are intoned by the cantor up to the asterisk, then all join.

OPENING VERSE

(see insert)

HYMN

Vexilla Regis prodeunt

Hymn is sung in alternation between cantor (odds) and all (evens); all sing doxology (vs. 7).

1. The roy - al ban - ners for - ward go, ____ The cross shines forth in
2. Where deep for us ____ the spear ____ was dyed. ____ Life's tor - rent rush - ing
3. Ful - filled is all ____ that Da - vid told ____ In true pro - phe - tic
4. O Tree of beau - ty, Tree ____ of life, ____ O Tree with roy - al
5. On whosedear arms, ____ so wide - ly flung, The weight of this ____ world's
6. O cross, our one ____ re - li - ance, hail! ____ Still may thy pow'r with
7. To Thee, e - ter - nal Three ____ in One, ____ Let hom - age meet by

mystic ____ glow; ____ Where He in flesh, our flesh Who made, ____
from his ____ side, ____ to wash us in ____ that pre - cious flood, ____
song of ____ old; ____ A - midst the na - tions, God, saith he, ____
purple ____ dight; ____ E - lect, on whose tri - um - phal breast ____
ransom ____ hung, ____ The price of hu - man - kind to pay, ____
us ____ a - vail ____ To give new vir - tue to ____ the saint, ____
all ____ be ____ done: ____ As by the cross Thou dost re - store, ____

Our sen - tence bore, our ran - som paid. ____
Where min - gled wa - ter flowed, and ____ blood.
Hath reigned ____ and tri - umphed from the ____ Tree. ____
Those ho - ly limbs should find their rest ____
And spoil ____ the spoil - er of ____ his ____ prey. ____
And par - don to ____ the pen - i - tent. ____
So rule ____ and guide us ev - er - more. ____ A - men.

ANTIPHON I

Luke 22:1-2

I

A ppro pin quá- bat au tem * di- es festus, et quæ- ré- bant prín cipes sacerdó tum
quó- modo Ie- sum in ter fi- ce- rent, sed timé bant ple bem.

The festival day was close at hand, and the chief priests were seeking a way to kill Jesus, but were afraid of the people.

PSALM 110:1-5, 7
THE MESSIAH IS KING AND PRIEST

If

The Lord's revelation to my Master: †

"Sit on my **right**: *
your foes I will put beneath *your feet*."

The Lord will wield from Zion your *scepter of power*: *
rule in the midst of all *your foes*.

A prince from the day of your birth on the *holy mountains*; *
from the womb before the dawn I *be-got* you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †
"You are a *priest for ever*, *
a priest like Melchizedek of old."

The Master standing *at your right hand* *
will shatter kings in the day of his *great wrath*.

He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside* *
and therefore he shall lift up *his head*.

Glory to the Father, and *to the Son*, *
and to the *Holy Spirit*.

As it was in the begin-ning, *is now*, *
and will be forever. **A-men**.

(repeat Antiphon)

ANTIPHON II

Psalm 71:10-11; cf. Jeremiah 11:19

I

C On sí-li- um fe- cé- runt * in imíci me-i di-cén tes: Con terámu s e-um de terra vi- vén ti- um.

My enemies say amongst themselves: let us cut him off from the land of the living.

PSALM 114
THE ISRAELITES ARE DELIVERED FROM THE BONDAGE OF EGYPT

If

When Israel came *forth from Egypt*, *
Jacob's sons from an *ali-en people*."

Judah became *the LORD's temple*, *
Israel became *his kingdom*.

The sea fled *at the sight*: *
the Jordan turned back *on its course*.

The mountains *leapt like rams* *
and the hills like *year-ling sheep*."

(cont.)

Why was it, sea, that you fled, *
that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?
Mountains, that you leapt like rams, *
hills, like year-ling sheep?
Tremble, O earth, before the LORD, *
in the presence of the God of Jacob.

Who turns the rock in-to a pool*
and flint into a spring of water.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Ho-ly Spirit.
As it was in the begin-ning, is now,*
and will be forever. A-men. (repeat Antiphon)



ANTIPHON III

1 Peter 2:24

VIII

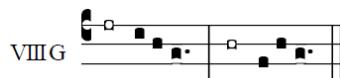
Chris-tus * pec cá-ta nos tra ip se pér tu-lit in corpóre su- o su- per lignum.

Christ himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross.

CANTICLE

1 PETER 2:21-24

THE WILLING ACCEPTANCE OF HIS PASSION BY CHRIST, THE SERVANT OF GOD



Christ suffered for you, † and left you *an ex-ample*, *
to have you follow *in his footsteps*.

He *did no wrong*; *
No deceit was found *in his mouth*.

When he *was in-sulted*, *
he *re-turned no insult*.

When he was *made to suffer*, *
he did not coun-ter *with threats*."

Instead he delivered *him-self up* *
to the One who *jud-ges justly*.

In *his own body* *
he brought your sins *to the cross*,

So that all of us, *dead to sin*, *
could live in accord *with God's will*.

[omit 1st half]
By his wounds you *were healed*.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Ho-ly Spirit.

As it was in the begin-ning, is now,*
and will be forev-er. A-men. (repeat Antiphon)

READING

ACTS 13:26-30

RESPONSORY

I. Cantor; II. All

R. br.

W E worship You, O Christ and we praise you. **V.** Because by your Cross you
All Cantor
have redeemed the world. **R.** And we praise you. **V.** Glory to the Father, and to the
All
Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit. We worship You, O Christ and we praise you.

MAGNIFICAT *Matthew 26:31-32; 28:7*

(Antiphon below; please see insert for verses)

VIII

Scrip tum est enim: * Percú- ti- am pas tórem, et disper gén tur oves gregis; post quam
au- tem sur réxe- ro, præ cédam vos in Ga- li- lâ- am; ibi me vidébi- tis, di- cit Dóminus.

It is written: I will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep will scatter; when he is risen from the dead, he will go before you to Galilee, and you will see him, says the Lord.

INTERCESSIONS

After the Celebrant's invocation and each cantor petition, the following response is sung:

V.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in cælis; sanctificétur nomen tuum; advéniat regnum tuum; fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo, et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie; et dimitte nobis débita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitóribus nostris; et ne nos indúcas in tentatióne; sed líbera nos a malo.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

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