

The Sunday next before Easter, commonly called

Palm Sunday

The Old Testament is written in the ninth chapter of the Prophet Zechariah, beginning at the ninth verse.

This passage may be found in the pew Bible on page 1,098.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

"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.

"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.'

God Will Save His People

"As for you also,
Because of the blood of your covenant,
I will set your prisoners free from the
waterless pit.

"Return to the stronghold,
You prisoners of hope.
Even today I declare
That I will restore double to you."

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.

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Psalm 24

1 THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is; * the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, * and stablished it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? * or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; * and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, * and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him; * even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is this King of glory? * It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? * Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Glory be...

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Psalm 97

- 1 THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof; * yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him: * righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his seat.
- 3 There shall go a fire before him, * and burn up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings gave shine unto the world: * the earth saw it, and was afraid.
- 5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord; * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens have declared his righteousness, * and all the peoples have seen his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods: * worship him, all ye gods.
- 8 Sion heard of it, and rejoiced; and the daughters of Judah were glad, * because of thy judgments, O Lord.
- 9 For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth: * thou art exalted far above all gods.
- 10 O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil: * the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.
- 11 There is sprung up a light for the righteous, * and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous; * and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

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The New Testament is written in the the second chapter of St Paul's epistle to the Philippians, beginning at the fifth verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 134.

(Pause to allow parishioners time to find the page.)

LET this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.