

Prelude

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PSALM

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me,

“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

**Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

Jerusalem—built as a city

that is bound firmly together,

to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,

as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

There thrones for judgment were set,

the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

“May they be secure who love you!

Peace be within your walls

and security within your towers!”

For my brothers and companions' sake

I will say, “Peace be within you!”

For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,

I will seek your good.

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O Perfect Life of Love

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FIRST READING

2 Chronicles 24:1–4, 17–25

Joash was seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Zibiah of Beersheba. And Joash did what was right in the eyes of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest. Jehoiada got for him two wives, and he had sons and daughters. After this Joash decided to restore the house of the LORD...

Now after the death of Jehoiada the princes of Judah came and paid homage to the king. Then the king listened to them. And they abandoned the house of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and served the Asherim and the idols. And wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this guilt of theirs. Yet he sent prophets among them to bring them back to the LORD. These testified against them, but they would not pay attention.

Then the Spirit of God clothed Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, and he stood above the people, and said to them, “Thus says God, ‘Why do you break the commandments of the LORD, so that you cannot prosper? Because you have forsaken the LORD, he has forsaken you.’” But they conspired against him, and by command of the king they stoned him with stones in the court of the house of the LORD. Thus Joash the king did not remember the kindness that Jehoiada, Zechariah's father, had shown him, but killed his son. And when he was dying, he said, “May the LORD see and avenge!”

At the end of the year the army of the Syrians came up against Joash. They came to Judah and Jerusalem and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people and sent all their spoil to the king of Damascus. Though the army of the Syrians had come with few men, the LORD delivered into their hand a very great army, because Judah had forsaken the LORD, the God of their fathers. Thus they executed judgment on Joash.

When they had departed from him, leaving him severely wounded, his servants conspired against him because of the blood of the son of Jehoiada the priest, and killed him on his bed. So he died, and they buried him in the city of David, but they did not bury him in the tombs of the kings.

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

John 2:13–22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

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Postlude

Lent and Holy Week Worship Schedule

March 26—April 2 Lenten Soup Supper 6:30pm (WC)

March 26—April 2 Thursday Lenten Vespers 7:30pm (WC)

April 5 Palm Sunday Divine Service 9am & 11am (BC)

April 9 Maundy Thursday Divine Service 7pm (BC)

April 10 Good Friday Chief Service 3pm (BC)

April 10 Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers 7:30pm (BC)

April 11 Easter Vigil 6pm (BC)

April 12 Easter Sunrise Matins 6:15am (in front of BC)

April 12 Easter Sunday Divine Services 9am & 11am (BC)

Upcoming events

April 5 Palm Sunday Breakfast 8am (SB)

April 12 Easter Egg Hunt 10:15am (lawn)