

Dear all

I have been learning more about recording videos today. It's taken quite some time, but I have 3 videos that are viewable online. The first is a lovely rendition of the beginning of the Lord's Prayer, performed by Ted & Erin Fisk, with some pictures by me.

<https://youtu.be/E5ObN67Mklg>

The next two are of me reading the gospels for tomorrow, Palm Sunday. The first is the Liturgy of the Palms, the second is the Liturgy of the Passion. When I was at Belmont, we used to read the latter as a dramatized version. At the earlier Book of Common Prayer service, it was my custom to read the gospels from the version of the bible called *The Message*. *The Message* is a paraphrase by the late Eugene H. Peterson. It is not a direct translation, but rather his own interpretation set in a modern and slightly American idiom. I would not recommend it as your main study bible, but as something to give a new slant on the readings, it is very valuable. Please be aware that I am not very good at this! Also, the 2nd reading is over 23 minutes long!! You have been warned. If you would rather read them in your own bible, the passages are Matthew 12:1-11 and 26:14 - 27:end.

https://youtu.be/SuPPv6Kk0_M

<https://youtu.be/Or0UihBVj0c>

I am going to try to put a couple of services up as well – hopefully by Easter I might be able to Live-stream. More of a learning curve here.

Palm Sunday by Bet Washbrooke

The cheers, the waving palms,
The crowd, almost hysterical.
Worldly acclamation at its zenith.
How easily I could have joined
That swelling throng.

Yet how soon that adulation
Turned to cries of 'Crucify!'
Where would you
Have found me then?

Lin Witherington has sent me the following short obituary for Anne Smart. She writes *I thought you would like to hear about Anne, a dear lady who encouraged and shared her artistic talents with all.*

I was sad to hear that Anne Smart had died. I knew Anne and her husband for a few years. She was a lovely lady who with George was part of our Church and congregation.

She was also a very accomplished artist who belonged to various art clubs including one that she ran and to which I belonged. Anne also became involved with various community knitting projects when she finally retired from her art classes.

Anne was a much liked and loved lady in Deeping St James. I will miss her as a good friend and talented artist amongst the many other gifts she had.



This was shared on the Facebook page of the Northumbria Community. (The Northumbria Community is a worldwide, Christian Community committed to a new way for living).

'The Cry to God as 'Father'
is the Child's cry
out of a nightmare'

'But there is a healing hand at work
that cannot be deflected from its purpose.

We have to be candles,
burning between hope and despair,
faith and doubt, life and death,
all the opposites.'

[day 3 meditations, CDP 1&2, - Rowan Williams/ William Brodrick]
artwork by Caroline Beckett.

Stay safe

Blessings and love

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