

## A service of the Word for all the Church Family, on Palm Sunday



Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**All We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Hosanna to the Son of David.**

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.**

***Words of welcome and introduction:***

*Why not raise a branch or wave something as we listen, or sing along:*

**Song We have a king who rides a donkey**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gSbEEwik2hs>**

***The Collect for Palm Sunday***

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory. **Amen**

## ***Saying sorry to God***

God our Father,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.  
For turning away from you,  
and ignoring your will for our lives;  
Father, forgive us:

**All**     **save us and help us.**

For behaving just as we wish,  
without thinking of you;  
Father, forgive us:

**All**     **save us and help us.**

For failing you by what we do  
and think and say;  
Father, forgive us:

**All**     **save us and help us.**

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you  
by temptations in the world about us;  
Father, forgive us:

**All**     **save us and help us.**

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;  
Father, forgive us:

**All**     **save us and help us.**

*The minister declares God's forgiveness.*

The God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.     **Amen.**

**Hymn**     **All glory, laud and honour**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h3a8fTTrAdE>

## ***Hearing and responding to the Word of God***

*We hear the story of the first Palm Sunday (often called Jesus' triumphal entry to Jerusalem).*

*You can find it in Matthew 21. 1-11*

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

*We will hear an All Age version today*

**Song   Hosanna**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsLX3j-tzLI>

## ***Affirmation of Faith***

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**All We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## ***Prayers of Intercession***

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

**All Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**

***Going out to serve God***

**Song      Ride on, ride on in majesty**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MD9rMkIS1yw>**

Let us bless the Lord:

***All* thanks be to God.**

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,**

**here and everywhere,**

**now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

***All* In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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