

Palm Sunday

Second Sunday Praise

Sunday 10th April 2022, 10.30am

God's Family Gathers

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord had made.

All We will rejoice and be glad in it.

We greet one another and words of welcome are given.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

We hold up palms while this prayer is said:

God our Saviour,
whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die;
let these palms be for us signs of his victory
and grant that we who bear them in his name
may ever hail him as our King,
and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

God's Family Listens & Responds

The Palm Gospel – Luke 19.28-40

Jesus headed straight on towards Jerusalem. As he came near the Mount of Olives, he called two of his disciples aside. Jesus said to them, 'Do you see the village ahead? Go into it and, as you do, you will see a young donkey tied up. No one has ever ridden this animal before. I want you to untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks why you are untying it, say this, "The Lord needs it."' The disciples were puzzled, but they did as Jesus asked.

The disciples set off for the village and, just as Jesus had told them, they found the donkey. But as they began to untie it, they heard a voice: 'Why are you untying my donkey?' Looking up, they saw the animal's owner, so they replied just as Jesus had told them: 'The Lord needs it.' Amazingly, the owner let them take the donkey to Jesus. The disciples took off their cloaks, threw them onto the donkey's back and helped Jesus on. As he rode towards Jerusalem, lots of people kept taking off their cloaks and spreading them onto the road. As they reached the top of the Mount of Olives and began their journey down, the crowd shouted praise to God for all the amazing things that he had done.

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Peace in heaven and glory to God!' Some of the Pharisees were angry. They didn't agree with what the crowd were shouting. 'Tell them to stop!' they demanded of Jesus. But he refused, saying, 'Even if these people were silent, the stones would shout out praise instead!'

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

The Procession

We raise our voices and wave with joyful hope
the palms of deliverance of God's people.

All Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Our hearts are filled with expectation
as we welcome the coming king.

All Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

We receive into the crowded streets of our lives
the one who is Saviour, not only of us, but of all the earth.

All Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

We process into church waving our palms.

Meditation – Crown him with many crowns

Hymn – Lift high the cross (394)

All (Refrain)
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where the Master trod,
o'er death victorious, Christ the Son of God.

(Refrain)

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in joyful praise combine.

(Refrain)

Each new disciple of the Crucified
is called to bear the seal of him who died.

(Refrain)

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised draw us unto thee.

(Refrain)

So let the world proclaim with one accord,
the praise of our ever-loving Lord.

(Refrain)

Rev Joe's Talk

The Collect

Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.

All 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.

Worship Song – *Power of the cross*

Solo Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then
Nailed to the cross of wood

All This the power of the cross
Christ became sin for us, took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Solo Oh to see the pain written on your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Every bitter thought every evil deed
Crowning your blood stained brow

All This the power of the cross
Christ became sin for us, took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Solo Now the day light flees, now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows his head
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life
Finished, the victory cry

All This the power of the cross
Christ became sin for us, took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Solo Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through your suffering I am free
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live
Won through your selfless love

All This the power of the cross
Son of God slain for us, what a love, what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

God's Family Prays

Between each petition we respond, with actions, the following Taizé chant:

**Oh, Lord hear my prayer
Oh, Lord hear my prayer
When I call answer me
Oh, Lord hear my prayer
Oh, Lord hear my prayer
Come and listen to me**

When we have prayed together, we say the Lord's Prayer:

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Blessed is the Lord

All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;
therefore, shall our hearts dance for joy
All and in our song we will praise our God.

Hymn – Ride on, ride on majesty! (no.583)

All Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
thy humble beast pursues his road,
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
to see th'approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, your pow'r and reign.

Church Notices

God's Family Gives Thanks

Addressing Joshua's parents:

Do you receive Joshua as a gift from God?

We do.

Do you wish to give thanks to God and seek his blessing?

We do.

God our creator,
we thank you for the wonder of new life
and for the mystery of human love.
We thank you for all whose support and skill
surround and sustain the beginning of life.

We thank you that we are known to you by name
and loved by you from all eternity.

We thank you for Jesus Christ,
who has opened to us the way of love.

We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The minister asks:

What name have you given this child?

Kate and Michael replies:

His name is *Joshua*

The minister says

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so now we ask God's
blessing on *Joshua*

Heavenly Father, we praise you for his/her birth;

surround *him* with your blessing

that *he* may know your love,

be protected from evil,

and know your goodness all *his* days.

**All May he learn to love all that is true,
grow in wisdom and strength
and, in due time, come through faith and baptism
to the fullness of your grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The minister prays for the parents:

May God the Father of all bless *Kate and Michael*,
and give *them* grace to love and care for *Joshua*.

May God give *them* wisdom, patience and faith,

help *them* to provide for the *Joshua's* needs

and, by their example,

reveal the love and truth that are in Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

A bible is presented, with these words:

Receive this book.

It is the good news of God's love.

Take it as your guide.

Addressing the whole church family:

Will you do all that you can to help and support this *family*?

All With the help of God, we will.

All God our creator,
we thank you for the gift of Joshua,
entrusted to our care.
May we be patient and understanding,
ready to guide and to forgive,
so that through our love
they may come to know your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

God's Family Goes!

We Share in God's Peace

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We offer one another a sign of peace.

Worship Song – King of Kings

All In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

CHORUS

*Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings*

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

**For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died**

***Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings***

**And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored**

**And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me**

***Praise the Father
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Praise the Spirit three in one
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Praise forever to the King of Kings***

Final Blessing

***All* Lord Jesus,
you journeyed to Jerusalem many times,
as a child and as a man,
touching many lives along the way
as you taught and healed and challenged.
Thank you for inviting us to journey with you today,
for showing us the depth of your courage and the power of your love.**

**Thank you, Lord,
for being our King and Saviour – and our friend.
You are worthy of all our praise.
Amen.**

May the Father,
who so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
bring you by faith to his eternal life.

All Amen.

May Christ,
who accepted the cup of sacrifice
in obedience to the Father's will,
keep you steadfast as you walk with him the way of his cross.

All Amen.

May the Spirit,
who strengthens us to suffer with Christ
that we may share his glory,
set your minds on life and peace.

All Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

We go into the world
to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love
and to reflect God's glory.

All Thanks be to God.

**Thank you for joining us in worship this morning.
If you would like to financially support the work of the
church please click [HERE](#) or contact us about joining the
Parish Giving Scheme.**

Please join us in person or online this Holy Week and Easter:

Maundy Thursday 14th April, 7pm
Holy Communion with the Stripping of the Altar and the Watch

Good Friday 15th April 2pm
Waiting by the Foot of the Cross

Good Friday 15th April 3.30pm
Good Friday Wild Church

Easter Sunday 17th April 10.30am
Parish Family Communion