

Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

# Palm Sunday

Sunday 10 April 2022 at 10.00 am



# Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

Our worship begins in the hall of the Community Centre with the choir singing an introit.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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Words: Matthew 21.9 Music: D. Halls (b. 1963)

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion, meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass. Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice. Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever; and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre. You have loved righteousness and hated evil. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

# The Greeting

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

#### and also with you.

# Introduction

Dear brothers and sisters 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 begin Holy Week in union with the Church throughout the world, recalling how 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.

Palms are held up and 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.

#### Amen.

Palms are sprinkled with holy water.

# The Palm Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.''' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?'' They said, "The Lord needs it.'' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Luke 19.28-40

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

# **The Procession**

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

As we process from the Community Centre to the Church this hymn is sung.

All glory, laud and honour, To thee, Redeemer King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's name comest, The King and blessèd one.

All glory, laud and honour...

The company of angels Are praising thee on high, And mortal men and all things Created, make reply.

All glory, laud and honour...

The people of the Hebrews With palms before thee went: Our praise and prayer and anthems Before thee we present.

All glory, laud and honour...

To thee before thy passion They sang their hymns of praise; To thee, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.

All glory, laud and honour...

Thou didst accept their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

All glory, laud and honour...

Words: St Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821) translated by J. M. Neale (1818-1866) Music: M. Teschner (1584-1635) Hymn Tune: ST THEODULPH

# **The Collect**

After the procession, when all are in their places, the president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.'

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name

that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2.5-11

This is the word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. At the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.

My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love for me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be: O who am I, that for my sake, My Lord should take frail flesh and die? He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow; But sin made blind, and none The longed-for Christ would know. This is my friend, my friend indeed, Who at my need his life did spend.

Sometimes they strew his way, And his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King; Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath, And for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight. Sweet injuries! yet they at these Themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise. They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes, That he his foes from thence might free.

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine; Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine. This is my friend in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

> Words: S. Crossman (c.1624-1684) alt. Music: J. Ireland (1879-1962) Hymn Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN

# **Gospel Reading**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

Philippians 2.8,9

#### Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

A dramatic presentation of the Gospel from members of Whitkirk Arts Guild.

This is the Passion of the Lord.

No response is made.

# Sermon

# **Prayers of Intercession**

Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray.

The response to the bidding.

Lord, in your mercy.

#### Hear our prayer.

Then at the end.

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand with the president.

### The 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

#### and also with you.

### Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

A hymn is sung.

During this hymn a collection, our financial offering in support of the work of the Church both at St. Mary's and across our diocese, is taken.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise, In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways. O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, A second Adam to the fight And to the rescue came.

O generous love! that he who smote In Man for man the foe, The double agony in Man For man should undergo.

And in the garden secretly, And on the cross on high, Should teach his brethren, and inspire To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise, In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.

> Words: J. H. Newman (1801-1890) Music: J. B. Dykes (1823-1876) Hymn Tune: GERONTIUS

#### Taking of the Bread and Wine

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.

#### Amen.

### The Eucharistic Prayer (E)

Please kneel or sit.

The Lord is here.

#### His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

#### We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Blessed Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen. (Sung)

Silence is kept.

### The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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.

### **Breaking of the Bread**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

#### we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

grant us peace.

### Invitation to Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.

If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention. The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called 'intincting').

To the words "The Body of Christ, broken for you/The Blood of Christ, shed for you" the communicant replies "**Amen**".

For those at home it might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution.

Humble Lord, while people clamoured for a warrior-king, the colt revealed your servanthood: as you face the way of tears, the tearing of the temple veil, take us from the baying mob to place our faith in you, Jesus Christ, our victim and our saviour. Amen.

### **Choir Anthem**

#### 'O holy Jesu'

O bone Jesu! miserere nobis, quia tu creasti nos; tu redemisti nos sanguine tuo praetiosissimo.

**English Translation:** 

O holy Jesu! pardon our offences, for that thou hast made us thine, and hast redeemed us, hast redeemed us by thy most precious blood.

Attributed to G. P. da Palestrina (c.1524-1594) Edited and translated by B. J. G. Rainbow (1914-1998)

One or two communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows.

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us, You are one with us, Mary's Son; Cleansing our souls from all their sin, Pouring your love and goodness in, Jesus, our love for you we sing, Living Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, Now and ev'ry day Teach us how to pray, Son of God. You have commanded us to do This in remembrance, Lord, of you. Into our lives your pow'r breaks through, Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ. You have come to us, Born as one of us, Mary's Son. Led out to die on Calvary, Risen from death to set us free, Living Lord Jesus, help us see You are Lord. Lord Jesus Christ. I would come to you, Live my life for you, Son of God. All your commands I know are true, Your many gifts will make me new,

Into my life your pow'r breaks through, Living Lord.

> Words & Music: P. Appleford (1925-2018) Hymn Tune: LIVING LORD

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you there when they pierced him in the side? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Were you there when he rose up from the grave? Were you there when he rose up from the grave? O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when he rose up from the grave?

Words: Spiritual Music: Spiritual arr. R. H. Lloyd (1933-2021) Hymn Tune: WERE YOU THERE

### The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

#### Amen.

Faithful God, may we who share this banquet and follow you glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, our salvation, life and hope, who reigns as Lord now and for ever. Amen.

A hymn is sung.

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, thy 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, thy pow'r, and reign.

> Words: H. H. Milman (1791-1868) Music: from 'Musikalisches Handbuch' (1690) Hymn Tune: WINCHESTER NEW

### The Dismissal

### The Blessing

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

#### 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.

#### Amen.

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

#### Amen.

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

#### Amen.

### The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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