

Holy Communion
Palm Sunday, 5 April 2020

Welcome

The Liturgy of Palm Sunday

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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

And also with you

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 come together
to begin this solemn 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.

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered
Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die; let our
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.

The Palm Gospel, Matthew 21: 1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

And, at the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

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.

The Passion Gospel, Matthew 27: 11-54

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

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And, at the end

This is the Passion of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

The Sermon

*by the Rev'd Robin Cardwell can be seen on our
Facebook page or YouTube channel*

Prayers of Intercession

The response to Let us pray to the Lord is **Lord
have mercy**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Once we were far off, but now in union with
Christ Jesus we have been brought near through
the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our
peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Preparation of the Table

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.

Eucharistic Prayer E

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

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 good to give you thanks
and praise, almighty God and everlasting
Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. And now
we give you thanks because, for our salvation, he
was obedient even to death on the cross. The
tree of shame was made the tree of glory; and
where life was lost, there life has been restored.
As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with
joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your
mercy and join with saints and angels for ever
praising you and *saying*:

**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.

**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 [*N 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.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that 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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Giving of 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 body of Christ, broken for you. Amen.
The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

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

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

The Blessing and Dismissal

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.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

