

# Eucharist on Palm Sunday

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## ¶ Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

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.

### The Greeting

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

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 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.

*The people hold up palms or branches while this prayer is said by the president*

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.**

### The Palm Gospel

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### The Procession

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

*During the procession all hold palms or branches.*

## Processional Hymn

We have a king who rides a donkey,  
and his name is Jesus:  
Jesus the king is coming  
and he is our Saviour.

Trees are waving a royal welcome  
for the king called Jesus:  
Jesus the king is coming  
and he is our Saviour.

We have a king who cares for people,  
and his name is Jesus:  
Jesus the king is coming  
and he is our Saviour.

We have a king with a bowl and towel,  
the servant-king is Jesus:  
Jesus the king is coming  
and he is our Saviour.

What shall we do with our life this morning?  
Give it up in service!  
Jesus the king is coming  
and he is our Saviour.

*Fred Kaan 1968 (adapted)*

## 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.

*Silence is kept.*

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*

### Reading

*At the end of the reading*

For the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## The Passion 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.

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

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

*At the end*

This is the Passion of the Lord.

*No response is made.*

## Sermon

### Prayers of Intercession

We stand with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death,

and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow, feel that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we, with those who have died in faith,  
may find mercy in the day of Christ,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
have mercy upon us.**



## ¶ **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.

*Ephesians 2.13,14*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*In each household where we are gathered we exchange a sign of peace.*

### **Preparation of the Table**

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

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**

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*:

*(Tune: Slane)*

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,  
in power and wisdom for ever adored.  
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;  
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**+Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he  
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:  
who comes in the name of the Father of light,  
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

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 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**

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

We sing:

*(tune: Buessan)*

**Lord by your death and,  
Lord, by your rising  
you have redeemed us, setting us free.  
You are the Saviour of all creation  
Come now in glory, that all may see.**

## Act of Spiritual Communion

Give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with you now.

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic it is not possible for us to physically gather and receive communion together. Spend time looking at the Holy Sacrament in awe and wonder that God became human in Jesus and is present with us in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Spiritual Communion is the conscious willing and desire to be in sacramental relationship with our Lord when receiving the bread and wine of the Eucharist is not possible.*

*You may wish to pray the following prayer:*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day.  
Amen.

## Prayer after Communion

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  
glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
our salvation, life and hope,  
who reigns as Lord now and for ever. Amen.**



## ¶ *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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

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