

## HYMN 238 Ride on, ride on in majesty

### CONCLUDING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, as the crowds long ago welcomed you with shouts of Hosanna, we also welcome you, not with empty praise and shallow promises, but with grateful hearts that long to serve you, day by day.

### BLESSING

Blessed is the one who comes to us by the way of love  
poured out with abandon.

Blessed is the one who walks toward us by the way of grace  
that holds us fast.

Blessed is the one who calls us to follow in the way of blessing,  
in the path of joy. Amen ~ written by Jan L. Richardson

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*Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.  
Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. Psalm 37:4,5*

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### GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made : **We will rejoice and be glad in it.**  
Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

### HYMN 321 Holy, Holy, Holy

#### PENITENCE *(We say sorry to God)*

On Palm Sunday, the crowds hailed Jesus as King; on Good Friday they shouted for him to die. Confessing that our faith is often shallow, we ask forgiveness for our sins.

Lord Jesus, you come to us in peace, but we find it hard to make peace with others. Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy**

You come to us in humility, but we like to be the centre of attention. Christ, have mercy, **Christ, have mercy.**

You come to us offering forgiveness, but we blame others for our failures. Lord, have mercy, **Lord, have mercy.**

You come to us as the servant King, but we prefer to serve our own interests. **Lord, forgive us and help us.**

#### ABSOLUTION *(We are reminded of God's forgiveness)*

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring us his pardon and peace, now and forever. **Amen**

### ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the Lord

**For he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

**And in our song we will praise our God.**

### HYMN 701 Jubilate



### **BIBLE READING: MARK 11:1-10**

When they were nearing Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany on Mount Olives, Jesus sent off two of the disciples with instructions: "Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a donkey tethered, one that has never yet been ridden. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'The Master needs him, and will return him right away.'"

They went and found a donkey tied to a door at the street corner and untied it. Some of those standing there said, "What are you doing untying that donkey?" The disciples replied exactly as Jesus had instructed them, and the people let them alone.

They brought the donkey to Jesus, spread their coats on it, and he mounted. The people gave him a wonderful welcome, some throwing their coats on the street, others spreading out rushes they had cut in the fields. Running ahead and following after, they were calling out,

**Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in God's name!  
Blessed the coming kingdom of our father David!  
Hosanna in highest heaven!**

### **HYMN 223 Hosanna, Hosanna**

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God:  
**Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God,  
but made himself nothing.  
Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness.**

**He humbled himself, and was obedient to death – even the death of the cross. Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (from Phil. 2:6-11)**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen.**

#### **TIME TO PRAY**

In the quietness of your own home take a few moments to thank God for all that he has done for you and in you, then in your imagination think of those you would usually see at church and ask God to be with them and to bless and protect them.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY**

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**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, so in faith and trust we pray  
**Our Father, who art in heaven....**

**Loving God, accept the cries of our heart as we offer our prayers;  
through them transform us and all creation until you are in all and  
through all. We ask these and all our prayers in the name of  
Jesus. Amen**

Palm Sunday Mark 11:1-11

Today is the beginning of Holy week, which takes us through the great drama of what it means for Jesus to be the Messiah.

A Holy Week like one none of us have every experienced. We are not able to gather for those familiar and powerful services with liturgies which take us from the cheering and welcome for Jesus on Palm Sunday, through the cross of Good Friday to the celebration of Easter.

Although our world has changed, the events of the first Palm Sunday and Holy Week are ever more relevant to a world experiencing so much grief and uncertainty.

The message of the Gospel rings loud and clear – Jn.3:16 :

***For God so loved the world  
that he gave his one and only Son,  
that whoever believes in him  
shall not perish but have eternal life.***

As you worship at home, perhaps you could use today's psalm as your hymn of praise.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.  
Let Israel say:  
"His love endures forever."  
Open for me the gates of the righteous;  
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.  
This is the gate of the Lord  
through which the righteous may enter.  
I will give you thanks, for you answered me;  
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;  
the Lord has done this,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.  
The Lord has done it this very day;  
let us rejoice today and be glad.  
Lord, save us!  
Lord, grant us success!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
From the house of the Lord we bless you.  
The Lord is God,  
and he has made his light shine on us.  
With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession  
up to the horns of the altar.  
You are my God, and I will praise you;  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.  
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever. *Psalm 118:1-2; 19-29*