

Morning Prayer at Home On Palm Sunday 5th April 2020



St Lawrence Church, Bovingdon

Greeting:

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.

Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross

To listen or sing along with the music and lyrics, click here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iK8kYIBn qI

Preparation

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

This is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son. He is the sacrifice for our sins, that we might live through him. If God loves us so much we ought to love one another. If we love one another God lives in us.

cf 1 John 4.10-12

We join in worship: apart, but together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Lord, speak to us
that we may hear your word.
Move among us
that we may behold your glory.
Receive our prayers
that we may learn to trust you.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore to us the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessed is the Lord, for he has heard the voice of our prayer; Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy and in our song will we praise our God.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator and redeemer of all; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world and in your great love fashioned us in your image.

And now we give you thanks because, for our salvation, your Son Jesus Christ 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.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Blessed be God for ever.

Palm procession

If you have a palm or branch please hold it up and say this prayer:

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.**

Hymn: Ride on, ride on in majesty

To listen or sing along with the music and lyrics, click here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MD9rMklS1yw

These words introduce our reading from St Matthew's gospel (see separate sheet)

The Word of God

Reading

Matthew 21.1-11

The reading may be followed by a time of silence.

These responses may be made:

Cast your burden upon the Lord:

he will sustain you.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

renew a right spirit within us.

Cast us not away from your presence;

take not your Holy Spirit from us.

Give us the joy of your saving help;

sustain us with your life-giving Spirit.

Blessed be the Lord day by day:

the God of our salvation, who bears our burdens.

The Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

Intercessions are offered. (see separate sheet)

The 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

The Lord's Prayer is said

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Sermon click here to view (goes live at 8.00am on Sunday) https://youtu.be/KMB_Q9Ge-9w

Hymn: My song is love unknown

To listen or sing along with the music and lyrics, click here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CRUp5JiRFu0

The Conclusion

The Blessing and dismissal

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

Amen.

May Christ,
who accepted the cup of sacrifice
in obedience to the Father's will,
keep us steadfast as we 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 our minds on life and peace.

Amen.

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

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