

Sunday, 29 March 2026; Morning Worship
Palm Sunday

Welcome and Call to Worship

God in Christ has revealed his glory.

All Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

All the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

All O praise the name of the Lord!

Hymn 11, All glory, laud and honour

Minister

We hold up our palm crosses.

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.

All Amen.

Confession and Absolution

The first commandment is this: 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength'; and the second is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith:

O God, you know my foolishness
and my sins are not hidden from you:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Let not the flood overwhelm me
nor the depths swallow me up;
let not the pit shut its mouth upon me:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Hear me, O Lord, as your loving kindness is good;
turn to me as your compassion is great:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour

forgive us our sins
and make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Hymn 435, Ride on, ride on in majesty

The Word of God

Philippians 2. 5-11

Matthew 21. 1-11

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Hymn 215, Hosanna, hosanna

Apostles' Creed

All **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

concluding with the Lord's Prayer...

...Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All 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.**

*Hymn (during which an offering will be taken
for the ongoing work of the church)*

432 Rejoice the Lord is King!

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.

All **Amen.**

Hymn 522 To God be the glory

Blessing and dismissal

To a troubled world
peace in Christ.

To a searching world
love in Christ.

To a waiting world
hope in Christ.

And the blessing...