

Welcome

The People's Passion

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.

Confession

On Palm Sunday, the crowds worshipped Jesus; on Good Friday they shouted for him to die. Let us who also worship him, confess that we sometimes reject him, and ask his forgiveness:

Lord Jesus Christ, you come to us in peace, but we shut the door of our mind against you. In your mercy:

Forgive us and help us.

You come to us in humility, but we prefer our own proud ways. In your mercy:

Forgive us and help us.

You come to us in judgement, but we cling to our familiar sins. In your mercy:

Forgive us and help us.

You come to us in majesty, but we will not have you to reign over us. In your mercy:

Forgive us and help us.

Lord, forgive our empty praise, fill our loveless hearts; come to us and make our lives your home for ever. Amen.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins that we may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Special Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus Christ, on the first Palm Sunday you entered the unbelieving city where you were to die. Enter our hearts, we pray, and subdue them to yourself. And as your disciples blessed your coming and spread garments and branches in your way, make us ready to lay at your feet all that we have and are, that we too may bless your coming in the name of the Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer D

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.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

Drum beat

Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna to the Son of David! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.
(Repeat)

Cheering and clapping

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Song during Communion (Music Group)

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this bread of Life
And we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

Eucharist continued

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the
end they turned on him. On the night he was
betrayed he came to table with his friends to
celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story:

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Song continued

The body of our saviour Jesus Christ
Torn for you eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one
So we share in this bread of Life
And we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

Eucharist continued

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he
took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then
gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup,
gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for
you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in
remembrance of me.

This is our story:

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Song continued

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
Shed for you drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God
So we share in this bread of Life
And we drink of his sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

Eucharist continued

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate the cross on which he died to set
us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive
with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story:

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Song continued

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As his body here on earth
As we share in his suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King

Eucharist continued

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we
may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts
on fire. May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed
at your feast in heaven where all creation
worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be
yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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.

We receive communion

Music will be played quietly during Communion

Worship in Song

Great is he like none before
Son of God the living word
Oh praise oh sing praise
He walked the waves of Galilee
Raised the dead and calmed the sea
Give thanks to his name

Praise the King of Majesty
Praise the Lamb who died for me
Praise the Christ our victory
We'll sing forever great is he
Jesus our Saviour great is he

Then he died on Calvary
The bravest one there'll ever be
His love made a way
No heart could carry what he held
Our sin upon his shoulders fell
Oh grace oh such grace

See he reigns in glory now
Every worldly kingdom bow
To him all to him
He rules above all time and space
Yet in his heart we have a place
Lift high heaven's King

Bridge

Hallelujah, there is no one greater than you
Jesus King Jesus

Blessing

We pray that the Lord of Palm Sunday will
bless us today: Come into our town, Lord;
bring hope and a cause for joy.

**Hosanna to the King who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

Come into our fellowship, Lord; cleanse it of
all that is not in accordance with your will.
**Hosanna to the King who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

Come into our hearts, Lord; teach us your
love and your truth.
**Hosanna to the King who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

**Lord Jesus, as you entered Jerusalem and its
Temple, so come to us that we may be a
holy people, worthy of your presence,
bringing glory to your name.**

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.

Music as we leave

Great is he like none before