

Douglas Union with Frankfield



The Eucharist of Palm Sunday

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COMMEMORATION OF OUR LORD'S ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

THE 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!

The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

THE BIDDING

Dear friends 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 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 their palms and this prayer is said:

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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God now and for ever. **Amen**

GOSPEL *ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM*

John 12: 12-16

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—
the King of Israel!'

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written:

'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.

Look, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!'

His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

This is the Gospel of Christ: **Praise to Christ our Lord**

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 238 *Ride on ride on in majesty (verses 1 – 3)*

THE COLLECT OF 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 our Lord.

PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST READING *Philippians 2.5-11*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

HYMN OF THE GRADUAL 608 *Be still and know that I am God*

THE PASSION GOSPEL

This is the Passion of the Lord - *Followed by a time of silence for reflection*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PEACE

Stand for **The Peace**

Once you 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

HYMN OF THE OFFERTORY 325 *Be still, for the presence of the Lord*

CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

Therefore let us celebrate the feast

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who, for the redemption of the world, humbled himself to death on the cross; that, being lifted up from the earth, he might draw all people to himself:

And so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image, male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,

giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us; he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world:

he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his
kingdom.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that
we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your
Son,
that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread.

Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God,

You take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

THE GIVING OF THE BREAD & WINE

Bread and wine: the gifts of God for the people of God.

May we who share these gifts be found in Christ, and Christ in us.

Spiritual Communion

A GREAT SILENCE FOR THANKSGIVING

GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 238 *Ride on ride on in majesty (verses 4 & 5)*

Post- Communion Prayer

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.**

Almighty God we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

A SOLEMN BLESSING

You believe that by his dying Christ destroyed death for ever. **Amen**

You have been crucified with Christ and live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave himself for you. **Amen**

May he send you out to glory in his cross, and live no longer for yourselves but for him, who died and was raised to life for us. **Amen**

And the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

