



SERVICE ORDER

**Sunday, 24 March 2024
Palm / Passion Sunday**



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**Almighty and eternal God,
you sent your Son, our Saviour,
to take our nature on himself
and to suffer and die on the cross.
Lead us to follow the example of his great humility,
and bring us to share in his resurrection.
We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

*Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest heaven!
Blessed is the One who is obedient unto death.
Hosanna in the highest heaven!
Blessed is the One who saves us.
Hosanna in the highest heaven!*

INVOCATION

*In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

ALL GLORY LAUD AND HONOUR

**All glory laud and honour To Thee Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children Make sweet hosannas ring
Thou art the King of Israel Thou David's royal Son
Who in the Lord's name comest The King and Blessed One**

**The company of angels Are praising Thee on high
And mortal men and all things Created make reply**

**The people of the Hebrews With palms before Thee went
Our praise and prayer and anthems Before Thee we present**

**To Thee before Thy passion They sang their hymns of praise
To Thee now high exalted Our melody we raise**

**Thou did accept their praises Accept the prayers we bring
Who in all good delightest Thou good and gracious King**

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CONFESSION OF SINS

*Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins,
and ask Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.*

**Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to You all my sins,
and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased You and deserve Your
punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask You, for the
sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be
gracious and merciful to me. Amen.**

*Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given His only Son to
die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He
has given the right to become children of God, and has given them His Holy Spirit.
Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all. Amen.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

LORD HAVE MERCY

(spoken)

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

SONG OF ADORATION

Praise to the Lord

**Praise to the LORD, the almighty, the king of creation;
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation:
Come all who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
praise Him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the LORD, who in all things is wondrously reigning
and as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining:
Have you not seen? All that is needed has been
sent by His gracious ordaining.**

**Praise to the LORD, who has fearfully, wondrously made us,
health has sustained, and when heedlessly falling has stayed us:
what need or grief ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade us.**

**Praise to the LORD, O let all that is in me adore Him.
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again:
gladly for ever adore Him.**

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*The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Loving Father of all,
Your only Son came as a servant and was obedient all the way to his death on the
cross. Make us humble like Christ, and bring us to be with him in his glory. For he
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

PSALM 118:1,2,19-29

*¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures for ever.*

² Let Israel say:

'His love endures for ever.'

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD
through which the righteous may enter.

²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

²² The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

²³ the LORD has done this,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.

²⁴ The LORD has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.

²⁵ LORD, save us!

LORD, grant us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.
From the house of the LORD we bless you.

²⁷ 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.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures for ever.

**Glory to the Father and the Son
and the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever.**

Amen.

BIBLE READING

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a The obedience of the Lord's servant

⁴The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. ⁵The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. ⁶I offered my back to those who beat me, my

cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. ⁷ Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. ⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! ⁹ It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up.

After the reading

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11 Christ- the obedient servant and exalted Lord

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶ who, being in very nature¹ God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

After the reading

This is the Word of the LORD.

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GOSPEL: Mark 11:1 – 11 Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem

Before the reading

Glory be to You, O LORD.

11 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, 'Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'" ⁴ They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵ some people standing there asked, 'What are you doing, untying that colt?' ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷ When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who

followed shouted, 'Hosanna!' 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'¹⁰ 'Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!' 'Hosanna in the highest heaven!' ¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

After the reading
This is the gospel of the LORD.
Praise be to You, O Christ.

HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RAISING)

**Praise is rising Eyes are turning to You
We turn to You Hope is stirring
Hearts are yearning for You We long for You**

**'Cause when we see You We find strength to face the day
In Your presence All our fears are washed away
(Washed away)**

**Hosanna hosanna You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna hosanna
Come have Your way among us We welcome You here Lord Jesus**

**Hear the sound of Hearts returning to You
We turn to You In Your Kingdom
Broken lives are made new You make us new**

**'Cause when we see You We find strength to face the day
In Your presence All our fears are washed away
(Washed away)**

**Hosanna hosanna You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna hosanna
Come have Your way among us We welcome You here Lord Jesus**

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MESSAGE

At this point you may wish to watch the Sermon.
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MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

My song is love unknown My Saviour's love to me
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be
O who am I That for my sake
My Lord should take Frail flesh and die

He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow
But men made strange and none The longed-for Christ would know
But O my Friend My Friend indeed
Who at my need His life did spend

Sometimes they strew His way And His sweet praises sing
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King
Then Crucify Is all their breath
And for His death They thirst and cry

They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away
A murderer they save The Prince of Life they slay
Yet cheerful He To suffering goes
That He His foes From thence might free

In life no house no home My Lord on earth might have
In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave
What may I say Heaven was His home
But mine the tomb Wherein He lay

Here might I stay and sing No story so divine
Never was love dear King Never was grief like Thine
This is my Friend In whose sweet praise
I all my days Could gladly spend

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APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

**And 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, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

OFFERING PRAYER

**Lord God, our lives are full of reasons to thank you and praise you. Lead us to show
our gratitude by sharing your love and good news with others. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*God the Son humbled himself, taking on human flesh, suffering and dying in our place.
Let us pray to God our Father, and place in his hands the suffering of the world.*

We pray for the church, that we may humbly bear our crosses and follow Jesus as our
King and Lord.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for pastors entrusted with your holy word, like the priests and scribes. May
they preserve the truth of your word and teach and live according to it.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for those who have sinned, like Peter. Teach us to be sorry for our sins, and
forgive us all that we do wrong.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for prisoners and criminals like Barrabas. May they find true freedom by
changing the way they live.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for all in government, like Pilate and Herod. May they use their power
properly, and serve truth and justice.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for those who are dying, like the thieves crucified with Jesus. May they die
with Jesus by their side, and be received into your kingdom.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for parents like Mary who have lost a child. May they bear their suffering and know the comfort of your love.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for peace in areas where there is unrest and conflict. Protect our brothers and sisters in Christ in these places. May their neighbours see the Son of God in them.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for the whole human race, that all will come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour, pray for those who hurt them, and forgive them too.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

And we pray for those with special needs who are known to us personally, and whom we now name silently in our hearts... *(brief silence)*

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Bless the families, students, and staff at Grace Lutheran Primary School. Today we pray specially for Dominic in PS, Cruz in PT, Freyja, Lily & Penelope in PW, Isaiah in 1B, Cleo in 1T, Judd & Koby in 2R, Grace in 3H, Sylas in 3N, Samuel in 5B, Sunni in 6B and staff members Joelene G & Aden H. Please provide for all their needs and guide them into your truth and love.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Father, may the suffering and death of Jesus lighten the burdens of all who suffer. Lead us in the way of the cross, that as we suffer with Jesus, so we may rise to life in his glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 forever. Amen.

BLESSING TO SHARE

May Jesus enter your heart this day.

May Jesus enter your heart this day.

May you be full of praise for Jesus, your King.

May you be full of praise for Jesus, your King.

May you humbly serve others, in the way and spirit of Jesus..

May you humbly serve others, in the way and spirit of Jesus. Amen.

LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

**Lord, I lift your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life;
I'm so glad you came to save us.**

**You came from heaven to earth
to show the way;
From the earth to the cross,
my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.**

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HYMNS AND SONGS

Palm gospel: Mark 11:1-11

LHS

- 5 O bride of Christ, rejoice* G4
- 7 Come, Thou precious ransom, come G8
- 10 O how shall I receive Thee (vv 1,2)* G3
- 18 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates* G5
- 62 My song is love unknown G8
- 86 All glory, laud and honour G5
- 87 Ride on, ride on in majesty (*tune Winchester New, TIS 348*)
- 733 Daughter of Zion, O rejoice G6
- 737 Prepare the royal highway G4

817 O Jesus Christ, to you may hymns be rising G7

AT

211 Hosanna!

328 Tell the city

335 And we stood right there (v 1)

344 The New Road (from v 5) *Replace 'Alleluia' with 'Sing hosanna'*

TIS

219 Jesus comes with all his grace

244 Trotting, trotting through Jerusalem

267 Lift up your heads, you mighty gates

279 The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices

333 All glory, praise and honour

336 O bride of Christ, rejoice

341 My song is love unknown

346 Prepare the royal highway

348 Ride on, ride on in majesty

353 The glory of our King was seen

620 O Jesus Christ, may grateful hymns be rising

724 Hosanna!

First reading: Isaiah 50: 4-9a

LHS

48 Lamb of God most holy* G5

52 O sacred head, now wounded (vv 1,2,4,5)* G6

55 O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken* G4

57 A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth (Pt 1)* G5

60 Christ, the life of all the living G5

62 My song is love unknown G5 (*alt tune* A8, G8)

70 Stricken, smitten and afflicted* G3

406 God still lives and His compassion G7

413 Why should cross and trial grieve me? (vv 1,2,5,6) G5

AT

245 You are the prisoner

347 O dearest Jesus

TIS

337 O dearest Jesus, why aren't you acquitted

339 O sacred head sore wounded

341 My song is love unknown

Second reading: Philippians 2: 5-11

LHS

11 The advent of our King G4

36 Jesus, name of wondrous love* G6

166 All hail the power of Jesus' name G8 (*see also* TIS tune 224(i))

174 All praise to Thee, for Thou, O King divine G7

239 Son of God, eternal Saviour G4

782 At the name of Jesus G7

790 O Lord of light, who made the stars (*alt tune* 346) G5

807 Lift high the cross GS

857 Low, the way is low GS

AT

31 Freely, freely

50 I will sing (v 5)

55 His name is wonderful

139 Christ humbled himself

157 Jesus, name above all names

190 Low, the way is low

261 The Servant King

370 You are glorious

TIS

174 Morning glory, starlit sky

218 Jesus! The name high over all

224 All hail the power of Jesus' name

225 My heart and voice I raise

231 At the name of Jesus

247 Let all be one in mind and heart

256 From heaven you came, helpless babe

271 The advent of our God

351 Lift high the cross

373 Hail, our once despised Jesus

422 Come Holy Spirit, come (vv 1,2,5,6)

448 Blest are the pure in heart

606 Son of God, eternal Saviour

746 The heavens shall declare