



Anglican Parish of the Parks
St Silas & St Anselm, Albert Park

29 March 2026

PALM SUNDAY

9:30am Procession of Palms and Sung Eucharist



Pietro Lorenzetti (1280-1348), Christ's entry into Jerusalem

Wominjeka – Welcome

A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are here for the first time or visiting from elsewhere. Please do stay to share refreshments at the end of the service. This booklet contains the full order of service: you are invited to join in the parts printed in bold type.

Today's service will be livestreamed at: <http://video.parishoftheparks.com.au>

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Boonwurrung people, the original custodians of this land, and acknowledge the people and elders of the Eastern Kulin nation who have traditional connections with, and responsibility for, the land on which we meet.

WELCOME

*to our worship today
at the Parish of the Parks*

This booklet contains the full order of service. You are invited to join in saying together the words printed in bold type, and to stand where indicated as you are able. Sometimes you may simply need to sit and be carried by the prayers of others – that too is part of our life as the church.

Children are always welcome to be fully part of our service. At the back on the left hand side of the church there is a children's activity area, but please also feel most welcome to sit near the front where children can more easily see what is happening. It's fine if they make a bit of noise, or if they want to roam around and explore this new place.

There is a bathroom and change table at the bottom of the stairs near the front door (opposite the lift).

When we come to share Holy Communion, everyone is welcome. Children who have been baptised are welcome to share the communion bread (and wine) at their parents' discretion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, or if you need a gluten free wafer, please let the priest know when you come forward.

If you have any particular questions, needs, concerns, or prayer requests, you are welcome to speak with Rev'd Chris after the service or to be in touch using the contact details on the back page.

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Liturgy of the Palms and Procession

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

This morning begins the Great Week of the Christian Year. During Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of the Lord's death and resurrection. With Christians throughout the world, we come together this week to call to mind, and to express in word and action, the centre of the Easter mystery:

our Lord's Passover from death to life.

Christ entered in triumph into the Holy City to complete his work as Messiah:

to suffer, to die and to rise to new life.

Today we commit ourselves to walk the way of the cross, so that, sharing his sufferings, we may be united with him in his risen life.

All hold up their palms for this blessing.

Sovereign God, we thank you for these crosses of palm. By your blessing may they be for us signs of the victory of your Son. May we who carry them in his name ever hail him as our Messiah, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Gospel reading

Minister A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All **Hosanna in the highest.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.'⁴ This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵ 'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, ‘Who is this?’ ¹¹The crowds were saying, ‘This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.’

(21.1-11; NRSVA)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Procession of Palms

Presider Let us praise Jesus our Messiah, as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem.

Let us proceed in peace.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

We process around the church building while singing the hymn. If it is easier for you not to join the procession, you are welcome to move directly upstairs.

Hymn

TiS 333

Gtr. Capo 3 Bb(G) F(D) Eb(C) Bb(G) / Eb(C) F(D) Bb(G) /

F(D) Eb(C) Gm(Em) / Cm(Am) F7(D7) Bb(G) /

Bb(G) Gm(Em) C(A) Dm(Bm) Gm(Em) C(A) F(D) /

Bb(G) Eb(C) F(D) Gm(Em) Eb(C) F(D) Bb(G)

Refrain:

*All glory, praise and honour
to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

1. You are the king of Israel
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
the king and blessed one.
2. The company of angels
are praising you on high,
and we and all creation
exultant make reply.

3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present.

4. To you before your passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to you now high exalted
our melody we raise.

5. Their praises you accepted:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good take pleasure,
our good and gracious king.

words from Theodulph of Orleans d. 821

At the entrance to the church building this prayer is said.

Merciful God, as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory forever. Amen.

The hymn resumes until all are gathered in the church building, after which the liturgy continues with the Prayer of the Day:

God of all,
you gave your only-begotten Son
to take the form of a servant,
and to be obedient even to death on a cross:
give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus
that, sharing in his humility,
we may come to be with him in his glory,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

*The response is sung first by the cantor and then by the congregation.
Thereafter it is sung by the congregation as indicated.*

- 9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eyes waste away with grief,
my soul also, and my innermost being.
- 10 For my life has been spent in sorrow
and my years with sighing:
my strength has faltered under my misdeeds,
and my bones have withered. *Response*
- 11 I was shunned by my adversaries:
and more so by my neighbours.
- 12 I brought fear to my friends:
and those seeing me in the street fled from me.
- 13 I was forgotten like one dead:
becoming like a broken vessel. *Response*
- 14 For I heard the whispering of many:
and fear was on every side;
- 15 As they schemed together against me:
and plotted to take my life. *Response*
- 16 But in you, O Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said, 'You are my God'.
- 17 My days are in your hands:
save me from the hand of my enemies and tormentors.
- 18 Let your face shine upon your servant:
rescue me with your loving-kindness. *Response*

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Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

- ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
 8 he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.
 9 Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
 10 so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
 11 and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

(2.5-11; NRSVA)

Reader Hear the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

TiS 515(ii)

Gtr. Capo 3 Cm(Am) Ab(F) Eb(C) /

Gm(Em) D7(B7) G(E) / Cm(Am)

Ab(F) Eb(C) / Cm(Am) G(E) Cm(Am)

1. According to thy gracious word,
 in meek humility,
 this will I do, my dying Lord,
 I will remember thee.
2. Thy body, broken for my sake,
 my bread from heaven shall be;
 thy testamental cup I take,
 and thus remember thee.
3. Gethsemane can I forget?
 or there thy conflict see,
 thine agony and bloody sweat,
 and not remember thee?
4. When to the cross I turn my eyes,
 and rest on Calvary,
 O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
 I must remember thee:

5. remember thee, and all thy pains,
and all thy love to me!
Yes, while a breath, a pulse remains,
will I remember thee.
6. And when these failing lips grow
dumb,
and mind and memory flee,
when thou shalt in thy kingdom
come,
then, Lord, remember me.

James Montgomery 1771–1854 alt.

It is customary to stand for the reading of the Passion; it is however an extended reading, so please feel free to sit at any time.

The Passion

The Passion our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

¹⁴ Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵ and said, ‘What will you give me if I betray him to you?’ They paid him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶ And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

¹⁷ On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, ‘Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?’ ¹⁸ He said, ‘Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, “The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.”’ ¹⁹ So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

²⁰ When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; ²¹ and while they were eating, he said, ‘Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.’ ²² And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, ‘Surely not I, Lord?’ ²³ He answered, ‘The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. ²⁴ The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.’ ²⁵ Judas, who betrayed him, said, ‘Surely not I, Rabbi?’ He replied, ‘You have said so.’

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, ‘Take, eat; this is my body.’ ²⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, ‘Drink from it, all of you; ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.’

³⁰ When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

³¹ Then Jesus said to them, ‘You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,

“I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.”

³² But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.’ ³³ Peter said to him, ‘Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.’

³⁴ Jesus said to him, ‘Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.’ ³⁵ Peter said to him, ‘Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.’ And so said all the disciples.

³⁶ Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, ‘Sit here while I go over there and pray.’ ³⁷ He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. ³⁸ Then he said to them, ‘I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.’ ³⁹ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, ‘My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.’ ⁴⁰ Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, ‘So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? ⁴¹ Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.’ ⁴² Again he went away for the second time and prayed, ‘My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.’ ⁴³ Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴ So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. ⁴⁵ Then he came to the disciples and said to them, ‘Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶ Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.’

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸ Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, ‘The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.’ ⁴⁹ At once he came up to Jesus and said, ‘Greetings, Rabbi!’ and kissed him. ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, ‘Friend, do what you are here to do.’ Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. ⁵¹ Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. ⁵² Then Jesus said to him, ‘Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. ⁵³ Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴ But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?’ ⁵⁵ At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, ‘Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. ⁵⁶ But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.’ Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

⁵⁷ Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. ⁵⁸ But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. ⁵⁹ Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, ⁶⁰ but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward ⁶¹ and said, ‘This fellow said, “I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.”’ ⁶² The high priest stood up and said, ‘Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?’ ⁶³ But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, ‘I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.’ ⁶⁴ Jesus said to him, ‘You have said so. But I tell you,

From now on you will see the Son of Man
seated at the right hand of Power
and coming on the clouds of heaven.’

⁶⁵ Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, ‘He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. ⁶⁶ What is your verdict?’ They answered, ‘He deserves death.’ ⁶⁷ Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, ⁶⁸ saying, ‘Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?’

⁶⁹ Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, ‘You also were with Jesus the Galilean.’ ⁷⁰ But he denied it before all of them, saying, ‘I do not know what you are talking about.’ ⁷¹ When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, ‘This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.’ ⁷² Again he denied it with an oath, ‘I do not know the man.’ ⁷³ After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, ‘Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.’ ⁷⁴ Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, ‘I do not know the man!’ At that moment the cock crowed. ⁷⁵ Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: ‘Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.’ And he went out and wept bitterly.

27 When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. ² They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

³ When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. ⁴ He said, ‘I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.’ But they said, ‘What is that to us? See to it yourself.’ ⁵ Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. ⁶ But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, ‘It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.’ ⁷ After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter’s field as a place to bury foreigners. ⁸ For this reason that field has been called the

Field of Blood to this day. ⁹ Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, ‘And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, ¹⁰ and they gave them for the potter’s field, as the Lord commanded me.’

¹¹ Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’ Jesus said, ‘You say so.’ ¹² But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. ¹³ Then Pilate said to him, ‘Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?’ ¹⁴ But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

¹⁵ Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. ¹⁶ At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. ¹⁷ So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, ‘Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?’ ¹⁸ For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. ¹⁹ While he was sitting on the judgement seat, his wife sent word to him, ‘Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.’ ²⁰ Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. ²¹ The governor again said to them, ‘Which of the two do you want me to release for you?’ And they said,

All shout: ‘BARRABAS.’

²² Pilate said to them, ‘Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?’ All of them said,

All shout: ‘LET HIM BE CRUCIFIED!’

²³ Then he asked, ‘Why, what evil has he done?’ But they shouted all the more,

All shout: ‘LET HIM BE CRUCIFIED!’

²⁴ So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, ‘I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.’ ²⁵ Then the people as a whole answered,

All shout: ‘HIS BLOOD BE ON US AND ON OUR CHILDREN!’

²⁶ So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt

before him and mocked him, saying, ‘Hail, King of the Jews!’³⁰ They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head.³¹ After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

³² As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),³⁴ they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;³⁶ then they sat down there and kept watch over him.³⁷ Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, ‘This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.’

³⁸ Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.³⁹ Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads⁴⁰ and saying, ‘You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.’⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,⁴² ‘He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him.’⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, “I am God’s Son.”⁴⁴ The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

⁴⁵ From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.⁴⁶ And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, ‘Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?’ that is, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’⁴⁷ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, ‘This man is calling for Elijah.’⁴⁸ At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.⁴⁹ But the others said, ‘Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.’⁵⁰ Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

Silence

⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.⁵² The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.⁵³ After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.⁵⁴ Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, ‘Truly this man was God’s Son!’

⁵⁵ Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him.⁵⁶ Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

⁵⁷ When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. ⁵⁸ He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. ⁵⁹ So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth ⁶⁰ and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. ⁶¹ Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

⁶² The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate ⁶³ and said, ‘Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, “After three days I will rise again.”’ ⁶⁴ Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, “He has been raised from the dead”, and the last deception would be worse than the first.’ ⁶⁵ Pilate said to them, ‘You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.’ ⁶⁶ So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

(26.14-27.66; NRSVA)

This is the Passion of the Lord.

Please sit

Homily

Prayer and penitence

The Prayers of the People

Let us abide with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death,
and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian people,
that through the suffering of disunity
there may grow a rich union in Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them,
that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have the courage and honesty
to work openly for justice and peace,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation,
that they may find support and encouragement,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow,
feel that God is far from them,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

That we, with those who have died in faith,
may find mercy in the day of Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

All Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.

Presider Holy God, hear the prayers of your Church.
Forgive our sins, and send us the grace we need
to be faithful followers of our crucified and risen Lord,
for we pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Please stand

Celebrating at the Lord's table

The Greeting of Peace

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*We share the peace in a way you are comfortable with.
This may include giving a sign from afar, shaking hands,
or similar acknowledgement.*

Hymn

TiS 341

At the conclusion of the hymn our gifts are brought forward. These contributions to the ministry of the parish can be made:

- *in the collection plate at the back of the church*
- *in the basket at the back of the church, for food items to be distributed through the Sunday Suppers program*
- *by online donation (please see page 23 for details)*

Gr. Capo 1 Eb(D) Bb7(A7) Cm(Bm) Eb(D)

Ab(G) Fm(Em) Gm(F#m) Cm(Bm)

Cm(Bm) F(E) Bb(A) Db(C) Ab(G)

Fm(Em) Cm(Bm) Eb(D) Bb7(A7) Eb(D)

1. 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?
2. He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow:
but all 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.
3. 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.
4. Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.
5. 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.
6. 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?
Heav'n was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.
7. 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.

Samuel Crossman 1624–84 alt.

Prayer over the gifts

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All join in the following responses:

Presider ... with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name:

mf Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -
- san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est,
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
- san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider This is his story.

All say **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider This is our story.

All say **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider ...where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All sing:

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to 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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

The priest breaks the bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Let us pray:

All **Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit
even to eat the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

This is the Lord's table. All who seek God's mercy are welcome.

*Everyone is welcome to come forward and share communion.
The wine is received either from a common cup (on the left side of the altar steps), or by the priest dipping the bread into the wine (on the right side).
Please tell the priest if you require a gluten free wafer,
or if you would prefer to receive a blessing.*

Communion music *When Jesus wept* W. Billings

Going into the world

Post-communion prayer

Presider God our help and strength,
through these holy mysteries confirm our faith,
that by the death and resurrection of your Son
we may walk in the way of salvation.

All **Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Notices

Hymn

TiS 357

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five staves. The first four staves contain the melody and accompaniment for the hymn. The fifth staff is a bass line with a whole note G2, a whole rest, and a whole note G2. The music concludes with a double bar line.

1. When his time was over, the palms lay where they fell.
As they ate together, he told his friends farewell.
Jesus, though you cried out for some other end,
love could only choose a cross
when our life began again.

2. Secretly they planned it, with money changing hands;
in the quiet garden a kiss betrayed their man.
Priests and elders tried him, soldiers crowned him king.
We were in the crowd that day
when our life began again.

3. Women wept to see him, he said “Don’t weep for me.”
Many laughed and mocked him, “Forgive them, they don’t see.”
Jesus, please forgive me, you know what I am;
I was one who nailed your hands
when our life began again.

4. There was one who asked you, “Remember me this day.”
Jesus, when I’m dying, remember me that way.
When my life is over, be with me, my friend,
like the thief upon the cross
when our life began again.

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Blessing and sending out

Presider Grant, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a
quiet mind; through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Server Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude *Acclamations* Jean Langlais

Organist: Shauna Beesley

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Holy Week and Easter services

This is the most important week of the year in the worship of the Church—please do set aside time to share in our worship and devotion during these days, and please do invite others too! Details are on the back page, on separate flyers available in the church, and on our website and Facebook page.

Note that Daylight Saving ends next weekend... Clocks need to go back an hour before Sunday morning (which means that the wonderful Easter Vigil service at 6am won't feel so early... do come along!).

Theological student placement

Today we welcome Mr Scott Walker, who will be with us through this year for his parish placement as a theological student. Scott is in his final year of studies at Trinity College Theological School, and will be with us on Sundays and usually for part of a day during the week.

Synod

Synod elections have been called, and we need to elect two representatives and one alternate (reserve) representative. Synod usually meets each October, on several weeknights followed by a full Saturday. Please talk to Rev'd Chris if you would like to know more. Nomination forms are available today and need to be returned by 12 April, with the election on 19 April.

For our prayers

The world and nation:

For an end to ongoing cycles of violence and retribution.

The Church:

World Council of Churches:

The church in Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia.

Anglican Communion:

The Anglican Church of Melanesia

Anglican Church in Australia:

Theological colleges and church schools

Diocese of Melbourne:

Abp Ric Thorpe, Bp Alison Taylor

Our parish and community:

For those who are struggling to find or pay for accommodation.

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

Chris R, Angie, Joan, Tim R, Andrew, Hailey.

Continuing prayers for: Diane, Jenny

The communion of saints:

Year's mind:

Iris Coutts (29 March 2002)

Audrey Westmore (30 March 1980)

“Frank” Holt (31 March 2012)

To add a name to the prayer list, for those needing prayers now (with their consent) or to be remembered on the anniversary of their death, please contact Rev'd Chris.

Giving to the parish

Financial giving, each of us as we are able, is part of our belonging to the church. Our members' regular giving supports the ministry of the parish and enables us to make our contribution to the diocese and wider church. There are several options for making your offering:

- Placing money in the offertory plate on Sundays
- Electronic Funds Transfer to the parish bank account
 Account name: Anglican Parish of the Parks
 BSB: 703 122 Account: 05009157
- Online at <https://www.parishoftheparks.com.au/donationsbequests.html>
 (You can give to either General Offertory, Sunday Suppers or the Music Program. Donations over \$2 to Sunday Suppers and the Music Program are tax deductible, and you will be sent a receipt.)



Thank you – all our giving is part of sustaining the life of the parish.

<i>Rosters</i>	29 March	5 April (Easter Day)
Welcomers	Frank	Michael
Servers	Marcia Cristian Sharon	Geoff Catherine Gemma
Readers	Pearl Geoff	Anna Michael
Intercessions	Peter	Catherine
Offertory	Pearl Russell	Anna Michael
Chalice	Catherine Marcia	Geoff Catherine
Morning tea	Geoff Vicki	Geoff Anna
Flowers	<i>No flowers in Lent</i>	
Video livestream	Michael	Frank
Side person	Frank	Michael
Emerald Hill pick-up	Marcia	Michael
Sunday Suppers	Cecilia, Jude, Pearl and Russell, Jobe	TL Gina, Yvonne, Jobe, Sandy Parcels - TL Karina, Catherine, Sasha, Vicki

This week in our parish:

Sunday 29th March

Palm Sunday

9:30am Procession of Palms and Sung

Eucharist

4:30pm Sunday Suppers

Monday 30th

9am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 31st

9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 1st April

8:30am Morning Prayer

11am Holy Communion

Thursday 2nd

Maundy Thursday

9am Morning Prayer

7:30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper

Friday 3rd

Good Friday

12noon Solemn Liturgy

Saturday 4th

Holy Saturday

9am Morning Prayer

Sunday 5th April

Easter Day

6am First Eucharist of Easter

9:30am Festive Sung Eucharist

4:30pm Sunday Suppers & food parcels

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