



## Holy Trinity Geneva

### Palm Sunday

# CW Eucharist & Blessing of the Palms 9h00 - 13 April 2025



Palm Sunday (The Pioneer Woman)

### **WELCOME**

*We stand*

'Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!' (*Luke 19.38*)

### **Preparation**

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **The Blessing of the Palms**

Dear brothers and sisters 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 to 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.

*We hold up the palms while this prayer is said by the priest*

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. **Amen.**

## **HYMN**

**NEH 509 (omit vs 3, 7 & 8)**

1 All glory, laud and honour  
To thee, Redeemer, King  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.

4 The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before thee we present.

2 Thou art the King of Israel,  
Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest,  
The King and blessed One.

5 To thee before thy passion  
They sang their hymns of praise;  
To thee, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise.

6 Thou didst accept their praises,  
Accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good delightest,  
Thou good and gracious King.

*St Theodulph  
Melody by M Teschner c 1613,  
adapted by JS Bach  
St Theodulph of Orleans d 821  
Tr JM Neale (1818-1866)*

## **Collect for Purity**

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION**

*We sit or kneel*

### **Invitation**

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.

### **Kyrie Confession**

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

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

### **Absolution**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon  
and deliver you from all sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and  
keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **COLLECT**

*Let us pray.*

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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Lesson

Isaiah 50.4-9a

*We sit*

The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backwards.

I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

All of them will wear out like a garment;  
the moth will eat them up.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 31.9-16

*We sit to say the psalm antiphonally*

<sup>9</sup> Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;  
my eye wastes away from grief,  
my soul and body also.

<sup>10</sup> **For my life is spent with sorrow,  
and my years with sighing;**

**my strength fails because of my misery,  
and my bones waste away.**

<sup>11</sup> I am the scorn of all my adversaries,  
a horror to my neighbours,  
an object of dread to my acquaintances;  
those who see me in the street flee from me.

<sup>12</sup> **I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;  
I have become like a broken vessel.**

<sup>13</sup> For I hear the whispering of many—  
terror all around!—  
as they scheme together against me,  
as they plot to take my life.

<sup>14</sup> **But I trust in you, O LORD;  
I say, 'You are my God.'**

<sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

<sup>16</sup> **Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.**

## **Second Lesson**

**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.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Luke 19.28-40**

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon - Canon Daphne Green**

*We sit*

### **Affirmation of Faith**

*We stand*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*We sit or kneel*

We pray with Christ in his suffering.

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

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

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

### **Conclusion**

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.  
Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers**  
**for the sake of your Son,**  
**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **The Peace and the Offertory**

*We stand*  
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.

*Ephesians 2.13,14*



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

*We offer one another a sign of peace.*

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*We stand*

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.**

It is indeed right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near  
the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.

The power of the life-giving cross  
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world  
and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more,  
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever,  
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,  
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,  
for ever praising you and saying:

### **Sanctus & Benedictus**

**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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,

that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,**  
**rising you restored our life:**  
**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*We sit or kneel*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

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

**Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

## **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*We invite you to come and to receive Communion, receiving the host from the priest and, if you wish, the wine from the chalice bearer. Please consume the host before you receive the wine and do not dip it in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms. If you are accustomed to receiving Communion in any church, you are welcome to do so with us today.*

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. Remember that he died for you and feed on him in your heart with thanksgiving.

## THE CONCLUSION

*We sit or kneel*

### Post Communion Prayers

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 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.**

## HYMN

NEH 95

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1 When I survey the wondrous Cross,  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

3 See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
Save in the death of Christ my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

4 His dying crimson like a robe;  
Spreads o'er his body on the Tree;  
Then am I dead to all the globe,  
And all the globe is dead to me.

5 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Rockingham  
Ad E Miller (1731-1807)  
I Watts (1674-1748)

## **Blessing**

Christ crucified draw you to himself,  
to find in him a sure ground for faith,  
a firm support for hope,  
and the assurance of sins forgiven;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **Music after the service**

### **Prayer Requests**

R.I.P. Katie Orchard

*We pray for Noreen, her family and friends as they mourn*

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Jann Coppen, Jonathan Bezzola, Sybil Sheppard, Chris Talbot, Joan Tye, Annemarie Hester, André Vivas, Timothy Creffield, Tianna Dagher, Edith Tanner, Livia Varju, Brenda Hand, Valerie Offord, Phil Thomas, Diana Mason, Robin Bailey, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Samuel Kalibala, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Diana Dickinson, Denise Muhlethaler, Maya Mortimer, Rosabelle de Silva, Silvio -Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Jenny Syrathev, George Thomasz, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Among the faithful departed we pray at this time for Tony Mortimer. May he rest in peace and rise in glory with the saints.

Pray for the Lusitanian Church, Bishop Jorge Pina Cabral. Pray for the Church of Denmark and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Estonia.

Diocesan Office in London: Pray for the Operations and Finance departments: Diocesan Secretary (COO): Andrew Caspari; Office Manager: Bron Panter; Finance: Susan Stelfox, Nick Wraight; Board of Finance Chair: Mike Fegan; Fundraising Advisor: Juliet Evans. Pray for the financial needs of the Diocese and give thanks for God's provision.

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## EASTER SERVICES 2025

### **PALM SUNDAY 13 April**

9h CW Eucharist  
10h30 Blessing of the Palms and Procession  
18h Journey to Gethsemane

### **Monday 14 April**

19h30 Evening Prayer & Reflection

### **Tuesday 15 April**

19h30 Choral Compline & Reflection

### **Wednesday 16 April**

10h Online CW Eucharist  
19h Evening Prayer & Reflection

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY 17 April**

10h BCP Eucharist  
19h30 Eucharist with Footwashing  
followed by Watch until 22h

### **GOOD FRIDAY 18 April**

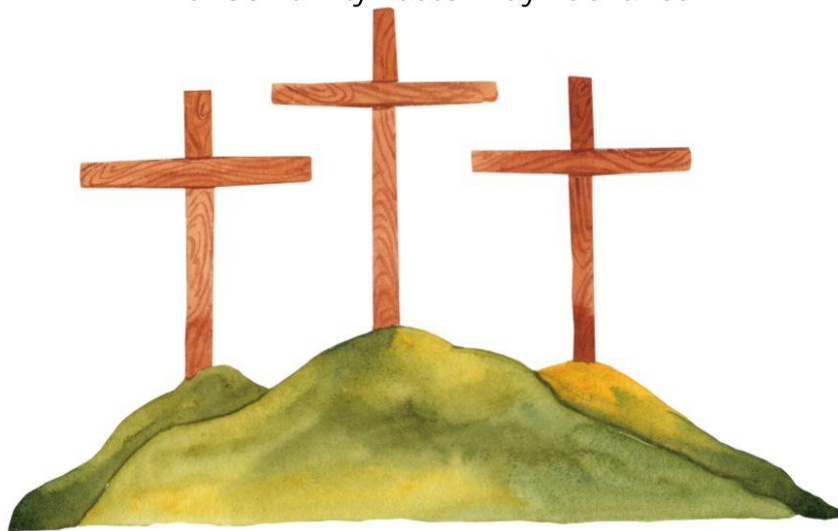
12h-15h Good Friday service  
19h30 Karl Jenkins - The Armed Man:  
A Mass for Peace sung by the choir

### **HOLY SATURDAY 19 April**

20h Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

### **EASTER SUNDAY 20 April**

9h Easter Day Eucharist  
10h30 Family Easter Day Eucharist



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**SUNDAY**

SERVICES

**20 APRIL 2025**

**Easter Eucharist - 09:00**  
**Family Easter Eucharist 10:30**  
**followed by Easter egg hunt**

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