

Order of Service

Sunday 5 April 2020

Palm Sunday



Worshipping at Home
Uniting in Spirit with family and friends
of the Wesley Uniting Church, Wagga Wagga

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Call to worship

Blessed in the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

Let us joyfully praise and worship God!

TiS 133 [All, glory, praise and honour](#)

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

You are the King of Israel and David's royal son,
now in the Lords' name coming, the King and blessed one.

The company of angels are praising you on high,
and we and all creation exultant make reply.

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

Theodulph of Orleans d.821
tr. John Mason Neale 1818-66 *alt.*

Prayer for Forgiveness

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry
for all that we have done to displease you.
Forgive our sins and help us to live in your light,
and walk in your ways.

The Lord's Prayer Our Father

Assurance of God's grace

We hear the Good News, our sins are forgiven!

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

RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

We tell the story of God's love,
we rejoice in the promises of God.

First Reading Isaiah 50: 4-9a
Psalm for today Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
The Gospel [Matthew 21: 1-11](#)

This is the Word of our Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ, King of endless glory!

[Short Reflection](#)

TiS 231 [At the name of Jesus](#)

Prayer for Others **Written by Cynthia Collison**

Lord, Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side at this time
of fear and anxiety throughout the world, so that we can
know your healing love.

We ask your guidance to enable world leaders to act with
real concern for the well-being of all citizen, worldwide.

May they all work together in peace and understanding to achieve success in combating the scourge that endangers all.

Give protection to, and keep healthy and safe, all doctors, nurses, home-carers and all who put their lives at risk each day, caring for others.

Keep all families who mourn the loss of loved ones in your loving arms, free from worry, illness and despair.

**A time of silence to offer your own prayers
for the world, church, neighbours, family, friends and yourself.**

Lord, Jesus Christ, be with us in this time of trial, placate our fears and give us peace. Amen.

TiS 526 [Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us](#)

[The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving](#)

***We pray the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving together
to remind us, wherever we are, we are the body of Christ.***

The Lord be with you! ***And also with you.***
Lift you your hearts! ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and might
heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Glory to your name, O Lord most high!
Blessed, blessed, blessed, blessed is the one,
is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!**

John I. Bell – 1949

Through him, in him and because of him, we affirm the
Church's faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**
Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**
Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us your peace.**

TiS 348 [**Ride on, ride on in majesty**](#)



Call to Service/Discipleship

We will tell your story
we will follow in your footsteps.
We will walk with you to the city, wait with you in the
garden, journey towards death and hope for resurrection.

The Blessing

May the grace of Christ attend us, the love of God surround
us, the Holy Spirit keep us, now and forevermore. Amen.