



Parish of
St Peter Woking
St Peter's · St Mark's · All Souls'



MORNING WORSHIP

PREPARATION

Welcome

Leader Behold your king comes to you, O Zion, meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass. Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice. Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever; and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre. You have loved righteousness and hated evil. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

All **Hosanna to the Son of David.**
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The people hold up palms or branches while a prayer is said by the leader

Hymn

Notices *(including a prayer for children who leave for Sunday School)*

Confession *(Please sit or kneel)*

Leader Like the people who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and later pronounced, "Crucify him," we are fickle people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Remembering the events of Jesus' last week helps us see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a saviour. In honesty and hope, we confess now our sins to God.

All **Loving God,**
you rode a donkey and came in peace,
humbled yourself and gave yourself for us.

**We confess our lack of humility.
As you entered Jerusalem,
the crowds shouted, “Hosanna: Save us now!”
On Good Friday they shouted, “Crucify!”
We confess our praise is often empty.
We sing Hosanna but cry Crucify.
As the crowd laid their palms in front of you
you took the way of God: you took no glory for yourself.
We confess that we want to be accepted
and take the easy way.
We do not stay true to your will.
Forgive us, Lord,
and help us to follow in the way of obedience.
Amen.**

Assurance of pardon

Leader Hear the Word of the Lord from Psalm 118:
Let those who fear the Lord say,
His steadfast love endures for ever.
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;
the Lord answered me and set me free.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!
In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

All **Amen**

Collect *(Prayer for the day)*

Leader True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

All **Amen**

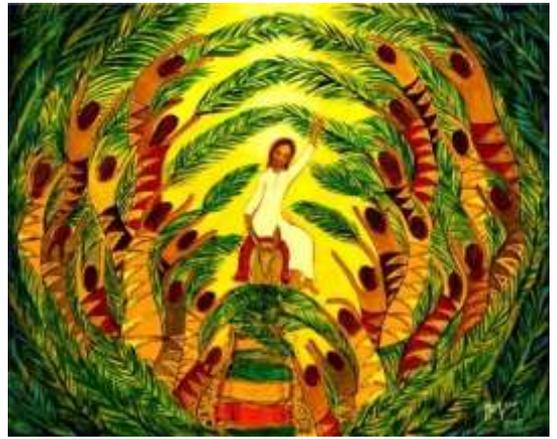
THE WORD OF GOD

A Psalm may be said or sung

Bible readings

At the end of each reading:

Reader This is the word of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God**



Hymn

Sermon *(We explore God's word together)*

Hymn

Offering *(The offering goes towards the ministry of the church. If you are visiting please do not feel obliged to give)*

Creed *(We stand to declare our faith)*

Leader We say together in faith
All **Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.**

Leader We believe in God the Father,
who created all things:
All **for by his will they were created
and have their being.**

Leader We believe in God the Son,
who was slain:
All **for with his blood,
he purchased us for God,
from every tribe and language,
from every people and nation.**

Leader We believe in God the Holy Spirit:
All **the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'
Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

PRAYERS

Prayers of Intercession *(Please sit or kneel)*

This or another response may be used

Leader Lord, in your mercy

All Hear our prayer

And at the end

Leader Merciful Father,

**All Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**



The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.

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.**

CONCLUSION

Hymn

Blessing

Leader May the Father, who so loved the world that he gave his only Son, bring you by faith to his eternal life.

May Christ, who accepted the cup of sacrifice in obedience to the Father's will, keep you steadfast as you walk with him the way of his cross.

May the Spirit, who strengthens us to suffer with Christ that we may share his glory, set your minds on life and peace.

And the blessing of God almighty...

All Amen.

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.