

Sunday 28th March 2021

Palm Sunday

Christ Church Stocksbridge
With
Green Moor & Crane Moor
Together at Home

Lectionary: Mark 11: 1-11

Introduction

Opening Music – Hosanna

Welcome & Call to Worship

The gates of Holy Week are open,
and we gather to celebrate our King who rides a donkey.

We bring to you the best of what we are, Lord Jesus,
laying down our lives in service,
as you laid down your life for us.
Amen.

Song 1 – Jesus Rode a Donkey into Town

Jesus rode a donkey into town,
Many folks turned out from miles around.
What a sight to see,
A man to set men free,
Riding on a donkey into town.

Jesus is it true the things the people say of you?
Did you really make a blind man see?
And if all I've heard about you turns out to be true,
Can you really do the same for me?

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Many folks turned out from miles around.
What a sight to see,
A man to set men free,
Riding on a donkey into town.

Tell me do you think he'll take the roman guards by storm?
Do you think he'll show the priests the door?
Wonder if he's pleased by all the shouting from the crowd,
Even by the palms upon the floor?



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Many folks turned out from miles around.
What a sight to see,
A man to set men free,
Riding on a donkey into town.

Hosanna, hosanna,
Blessed is the man, that cometh in the name,
Cometh in the name of the Lord!

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Hosanna,
Many folks turned out from miles around.
Hosanna,
What a sight to see,
Blessed is the man,
A man to set men free,
that cometh in the name,
Riding on a donkey into town.
Cometh in the name of the Lord!

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Hosanna,
Many folks turned out from miles around.
Hosanna,
What a sight to see,
Blessed is the man,
A man to set men free,
that cometh in the name,
Riding on a donkey into town.

Activity Time

Palm Sunday Joys & Concerns



Song 2 - Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning, when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon, and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven, and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Chorus

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he*

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
But they would not dance, and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John
They came with me, And the Dance went on.

Chorus

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
And they left me there on a Cross to die.

Chorus

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the Dance, And I still go on.

Chorus

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me -
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Chorus

Meditation

Song 3

Make way, make way, for Christ the King
In splendour arrives.
Fling wide the gates and welcome him
Into your lives.

Chorus

Make way! (*Make way!*) Make way! (*Make way!*)
For the King of kings! (*For the King of kings!*)
Make way! (*Make way!*) Make way! (*Make way!*)
And let his kingdom in!

He comes the broken hearts to heal,
The prisoners to free.
The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance,
The blind shall see.

Chorus

And those who mourn with heavy hearts,
Who weep and sigh;
With laughter, joy and royal crown
He'll beautify.

Chorus

We call you now to worship him
As Lord of all.
To have no other gods but him:
Their thrones must fall!

Chorus

Thoughts and Prayers

Lord help us to be a hosanna shouter and not a crucify him shouter.

**As the gates of Jerusalem were open to Jesus
Lord, open the gates of righteousness,
so that through our prayer we might enter
and give thanks to the Lord.
We pray for the nations of the world,
praying for justice and freedom.**

**We pray for our own nation,
praying for unity and generosity.
We pray for our community,
praying for perception and openness.
We pray for our church, praying for kindness and truth.
We pray for ourselves, praying for grace and humility.
Lord, open the gates of righteousness,
that we might follow the King who rides on a donkey
into the kingdom of God.
Amen.**

**Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, the power
And the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.**

Song 4 - Ride on Ride on in Majesty

Ride on, ride on in majesty
as all the crowds 'Hosanna!' cry:
through waving branches slowly ride,
O Saviour, to be crucified.

Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, your triumph now begin
with captured death, and conquered sin!

Ride on, ride on in majesty
the angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty,
the last and fiercest foe defy:
the Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die:
bow your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, your power and reign!

Closing Prayer and The Grace

Closing Song – All Glory Laud & Honour

