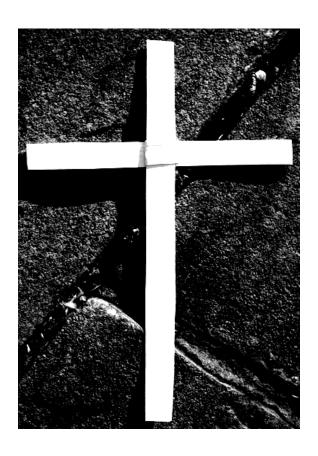
# ST ANNE'S, SOHO

## PALM SUNDAY

13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025



The Eucharist with Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem & the Passion Gospel

You're welcome to take this sheet away with you.

## Welcome to St Anne's Church, Soho

## The Celebrant is The Revd Simon Buckley

Rector of St Anne's, Soho

Organist

Annie Lydford-Holland

Soloist

James Emmerson

We welcome regulars and visitors alike to our worship.

We pray that in this holy space and amongst all who gather here you may grow in faith and be touched by the presence of God.

## The Liturgy of the Palms 🗷

at the church entrance

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

All: and also with you.

Our service today begins outside so that we might make our entry into church together and recall how Jesus entered Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday. We enter our holy place as we remember that he entered the holy city to complete his work as our Saviour by suffering, dying and rising again.

We remember too how, before that, Jesus looked over Jerusalem and wept over it. And so we begin our worship on the streets of Soho and consider how Jesus weeps over our community today, he weeps for those who are neglected, exploited or lonely, and those who are marginalised by society.

Jesus weeps over the indifference of those who rush along its busy roads and the lack of care shown by those who litter our streets. But he weeps over us too, who litter our lives with sin, busying ourselves with the pursuit of things that don't really matter, and who recognise within ourselves a spiritual hunger which we then don't take time to nourish. Jesus weeps not in anger but in sorrow and out of love: for God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that through him the world might be saved.

The people hold up their palms while this prayer is said.

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 lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

#### All: Amen.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

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

## The Palm Gospel: Luke 19: 28-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

All:

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

## Opening Hymn

We move into the church as we sing...

The soloist sings the chorus through once before we all sing it together

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Soloist: Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.

All: All glory...

Soloist: The company of angels are praising thee on high, and mortals, joined with all things created, make reply.

All: All glory...

All: The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

All: All glory...

All: To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise: to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All: All glory...

All: Thou didst accept their praises, accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

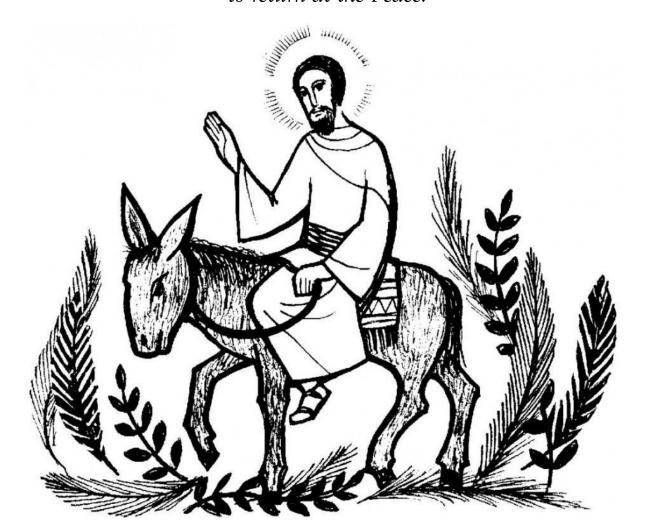
All: All glory...

## The Collect

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.

## All: Amen.

Young members of church go off to their group now, to return at the Peace.



## The Liturgy of the Passion 🗷

Please sit for the reading: Philippians 2: 5–11

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Church at Philippi.

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.

Reader: Hear the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Hymn

From heaven you came, helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled; not to be served but to serve, and give your life that we might live.

#### Refrain

This is our God, the Servant King, he calls us now to follow him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.

There in the garden of tears, my heavy load he chose to bear; his heart with sorrow was torn. 'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.

## Refrain

Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of sacrifice, hands that flung stars into space, to cruel nails surrendered.

## Refrain

So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone him; each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.

## Refrain

## The Passion Gospel

The soloist sings the first verse of "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" as the readers assemble.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

## Anthem

Mache Dich Mein Herze Rein from St Matthew Passion by JS Bach (composed in 1727)

This bass aria comes toward the end of the St. Matthew Passion . Joseph of Arimathea has just recovered Jesus' body from Pilate and is about to lay it in the tomb. It is his prayer that Jesus will also rest within his pure heart.

Mache dich, mein Herze, rein,
Ich will Jesum selbst begraben,
Denn er soll nunmehr in mir
Für und für
Seine süße Ruhe haben.
Welt, geh aus, lass Jesum ein!

Make yourself pure, my heart
I want to bury Jesus himself
within me,
Now within me
Forever
Shall he have his sweet rest.
World, depart from my heart,
let Jesus enter!

#### The Creed

All: 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.

## The Intercessions

We stand with Christ in his suffering and pray to the Father.

To the words 'Lord in your mercy' we respond 'hear our prayer'.

And at the end

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament 🗷

## The Peace

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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. All: and also with you.

Please greet one another and then be seated as the altar is prepared and the collection taken.

## Hymn

Meekness and Majesty, manhood and deity, in perfect harmony, the Man who is God.

Lord of eternity dwells in humanity, kneels in humility and washes our feet.

O what a mystery, meekness and majesty. Bow down and worship for this is your God, this is your God.

Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice,
and as they crucify
prays: 'Father forgive.'

O what a mystery...

Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
love indestructible
in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.

O what a mystery...

## Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

All: Jesus, true vine and bread of life,
ever giving yourself that the world might live,
let us share your death and passion:
make us perfect in your love.
Amen

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: we lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: 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 singing:



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Blessed Mary, St Anne and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



## The Lord's Prayer

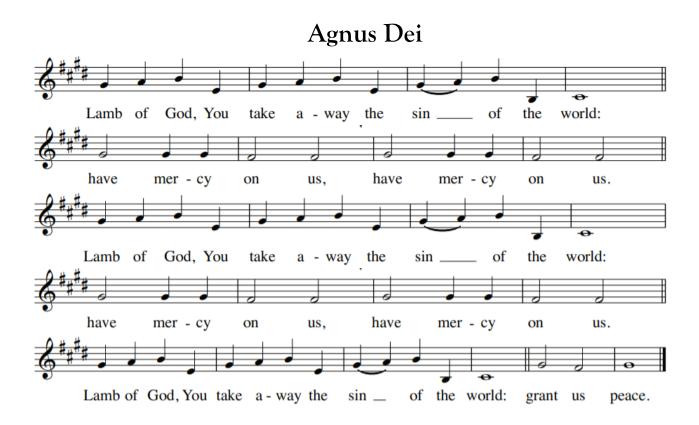
Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All: 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. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And 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.

## Breaking of the Bread

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

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.





## Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All are welcome to gather around the altar, as directed, to receive Communion or a blessing.

The practice of intinction (dipping) the host is not permitted.

During communion James sings Jesus Joy of Man's Desiring J.S Bach

## Prayer after Communion

All: 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.

## Final Hymn

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
yours the glory....

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified!

Death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified:

yours the glory....

Priestly King, enthroned for ever high in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love:

yours the glory....

So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon you gazing, this shall be our song:

yours the glory....

### **Notices**

## The Dismissal & 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.

All: Amen.

Let us all go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please sit quietly after the clergy have departed and enable those who wish to listen to the organ voluntary to do so.

There's plenty of time to chat over coffee.





We remember those who've died recently, along with all whose anniversaries fall in the week ahead: Fred Membury, Rachel Howard, Shahin Shahablou, Edna Funnell and John Osborn.



## **NOTICES**

- All are welcome to stay for refreshments after this service, as usual. Today is the last day to give £1 for refreshments in our Lent Collection for City Harvest, London.
- The 'second Sunday' lunch has moved the third Sunday as we felt that Easter Day, rather than Palm Sunday, was a more appropriate occasion to go out for lunch together after church.
- Please be sure to **join in worship** when you can in this most important week in the church's year.
- Maundy Thursday's service will be preceded by soup and rolls from 6pm, and followed by a silent vigil until 9pm.
- On Good Friday a short service of Evening Prayer will be said at 4:30pm
- Donations towards the **Easter flowers** can be made using the yellow envelopes, and given in memory of a loved one, whose name will then be recorded beside them throughout the Easter Season.
- The first of our two **new staff members**, Matthew Ward joined us this week as our Community & Events Coordinator, overseeing and promoting the various activities that take place within our building. He will be joined in early May by Annelie Hoffmeister who will be the Parish Administrator. You will be able to read more about them in the next edition of the newsletter due out in a couple of weeks.
- Thursday's Soho Seniors lunch continues as usual over Easter, but the church and office will be closed on Easter Monday for the bank holiday.



## REGULAR SERVICES AT ST ANNE'S, SOHO

Sunday 11am Sung Eucharist
Sunday 5pm Holy Communion (first Sunday of the month)
Tuesday 8:30am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 1:05pm Holy Communion
Wednesday 8:30am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 4:30pm Evening Prayer
Thursday 8:30am Morning Prayer

The church is open for private prayer

Monday – Friday 9am – 5:30pm (often until 8pm)

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