

# La Côte Anglican Church

## Worship for Palm Sunday

*The master needs them...*



Welcome from Carolyn **start recording**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dYIRvVX9xmk>

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during this unusual Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we 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.

### Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, servant of all,  
friend of all, saviour of all, ruler of all,  
receive our worship.

***All*** To you be glory and honour,  
praise and thanksgiving,  
this day and evermore. Amen.

### The Gathering for Worship

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### An Opening Hymn of Praise

*All Glory, laud and honour*

**YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qvDCMvNktqk>

### Prayers of Penitence

Christ himself carried up our sins in his body to the tree, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. 1 Peter 2.24

Let us confess our sins.

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

May the Father forgive us by the death of his Son  
and strengthen us to live  
in the power of the Spirit  
all our days. **Amen.**

### Collect

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. **Amen.**

### Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

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

21 When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

<sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

<sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Reflection by Louise Burrows** *Start recording*

**Song**

*Make me a channel of your peace*

**YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=daGWdbrSGBM>

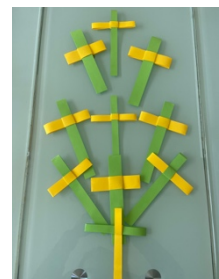
**Making our own crosses...** *start recording*

*Watch Diantha make one from a strip of paper – and maybe have a go yourself...*

**Blessing of our Crosses**

**God our Father, may this cross be for me:  
A sign of Jesus' kingship,  
A reminder of his cross,  
and a symbol of his victory over sin and death.  
Amen.**

*Silence is kept* **pause recording**



## Prayers of Intercession

*These prayers are adapted from Common Worship for Palm Sunday. They speak aptly into our current situation. I encourage you to take time, if you can, to read each line and then pause to offer up what comes to mind, before ending with the refrain, "Lord, have mercy." Or if you prefer, use another refrain, such as "Gracious Lord, hear us."*

We stand 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.**

*We offer our own prayers in silence.*

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Standing at the foot of the cross,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us:  
**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,**  
**now and for ever. Amen.**

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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When circumstances are such that we cannot share in the Eucharist in person, we can still make an Act of Spiritual Communion, in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist, and we ask Him to unite Himself with us.



**Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you.**

**Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit.**

**Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. Amen.**

## Blessing

May you find in the Crucified One  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the renewing power of love,  
and the promise of life eternal;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

Stay in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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**Looking towards Holy Week, and the journey that Jesus will make to the cross, we sing or listen to the following hymn.**

*Ride on, ride on in majesty*

**YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MD9rMkIS1yw>

**NOTICES - For the time-being we are holding no services or small group gatherings. Our worship and care, however, is still going on through the chaplaincy region.**

## Prayer and Care

*Normally after the service we offer prayer for anyone who would like to share in confidence a prayer need. This Sunday Helen Harding was on our ROTA to pray so if you have any needs, she would love to hear from you: [helenriches@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:helenriches@yahoo.co.uk)*

*Or - please do be in touch with Peta Tracey [tracey.p@bluewin.ch](mailto:tracey.p@bluewin.ch) who will share any prayer requests in confidence with a small group of praying people in our church.*

## Collections

If you normally bring collections to contribute each Sunday – please consider putting your offering aside in an envelope until you are able to put it in the collection when we gather again. Or do consider contributing on-line, see details below.

## Supporting our Church

Thank you for joining us today. We hope you have found meaning and inspiration while worshipping with us.

La Côte Church is completely self-financing and relies on your generosity to fulfil our ministry at Christmas and all year round. Thank you for remembering this as collections are taken.

Our pledge scheme helps us plan our finances efficiently. To find out more, please contact our Pledge Administrator, Mark Warren (mark.warren@yahoo.fr / +33 4 50 20 63 18).

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## **Holy Week 2020 at La Côte Anglican Church**

### **During the week**

We will continue with our **Morning Prayer**, from Monday to Saturday from 7.30-8.00 – **ZOOM details**...everyone is welcome to join us.

We will also be sending out some recorded messages from members of our church, sharing their experiences in this unusual Holy Week, starting with our Assistant Chaplain Julia Chambeyron.

THURSDAY 9th April

20.00 – 20.45 **Maundy Thursday Service of prayer and enacted Holy Communion** from Iona by zoom <https://zoom.us/j/484598571> please join any time after 19.45

FRIDAY 10th April

14.00 – 15.00 **Good Friday Service of Prayer and Reflection** by zoom <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/779632979> please join any time after 13.45

SUNDAY 12th April

Easter Worship and celebration, planning in progress! Watch this space...

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