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Please note that Paula works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Esther's days off are Monday and Saturday. Lis and Ian are usually both off on a Friday. The Church Office is currently closed. All contact should be by phone or email wherever possible.

Lis and Ian will be praying for the world, our community and our church family in the vicarage at 9.00-9.30am every morning that they are in the parish. Please join us by praying at home at this time if you are able to.

This week's prayer pointers

Christians in the Community : Boston Borough Council; Fire/Ambulance services; Centrepoin; Prison ministry; RoadHog.
Mission Focus: Tearfund

Our Church Prayer: Heavenly Father, help us to be a family of Your people who: Are centred on Jesus, reflecting His love, grace and truth in our characters, relationships and witness; Love Your Word (the Bible), recognise its authority and follow its guidance in our lives; Seek Your Holy Spirit's presence, wisdom, fruit and gifts, and welcome Him to move in power; Work out our faith in mission and outreach. For the praise of Your glory. **Amen.**

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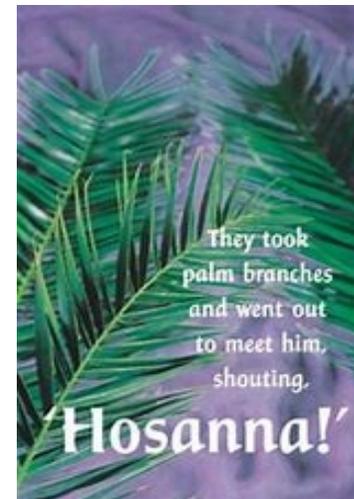


*'Loving Jesus
Serving others'*

Sunday 5th April 2020

**'Worship Together'
Recorded service available on the
Holy Trinity website and Facebook page.**

Join us at 10.30am on Sunday or when you can.



This week's prayer:

Triumphant Lord, we rejoice in your entry into the world and into our lives! Joining with the crowds who waved branches and palms, we sing your praises and exalt you. But our hearts stumble in our worship, and our minds distant from you in understanding. We are surprised and confused by your humility and selflessness. Our sin leads us to give you death even though you give us life. Our treachery guides us to war even though you call us to peace. Help us to reflect in our lives the glory of your Son and to live faithfully here and now. Have mercy on us, Saviour of all. Forgive what we have done and who we have been. and put within us a new song of joy and celebration. Amen

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another" Hebrews 10:24-25

Song 1

Praise is rising,
eyes are turning to You.
We turn to You
Hope is stirring,
hearts are yearning for You.
We long for You.
When we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears
Are washed away, washed away
Hosanna, Hosanna
You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises
Hosanna, Hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts
returning to You
We turn to You
In Your kingdom
broken lives are made new
You make all things new

Today's reading: Matthew 21:1-17

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹¹ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."¹² Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. ¹³ "It is written," he

Song 2

Lord I lift your name on high,
Lord I love to sing your praises,
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us,

You came from heaven to earth,
to show the way.
From the earth to the cross, my
debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky.
Lord I lift your name on high



said to them, "My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers.'"¹⁴ The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. ¹⁵ But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they were indignant.¹⁶ "Do you hear what these children are saying?" they asked him. Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read, From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise"? ¹⁷ And he left them and went out of the city to Bethany, where he spent the night.

Thought for the day: Paula Sargeant

Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem at the Passover festival raised a flicker of hope in a nation who had been long oppressed by Roman rule. As we have been 'clapping for carers,' they too made a public display before the one they hoped would save them, by their waving of palm branches. Seemingly inconsistently however, Jesus' humility soon turns to anger as he rids the temple of its ungodly practices but we must remember that Jesus came 'full of grace and truth' (John 1:14). He came not only to conquer sin and death, but to shape our lives with the *truth* of his word. His clearing of the temple was also prophetic; a shutting down of the old system of animal sacrifice replaced with worship 'in spirit and truth' (John 4:23), meaning we can worship any time, any place, anywhere. What encouraging words

Song 3

To God be the glory, great things He has done;
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.