Questions for reflection

- When have you been in a large crowd at something special?
- When might you feel as if you are going in the opposite direction to the 'crowd'?
- What evidence is there that your church community is 'on the move'?



Prayers for Holy Week.

PALM SUNDAY - We praise You King Jesus for Your humility; riding into Jerusalem on a donkey and receiving the hosannas of ordinary people, knowing all that lay ahead. Just as You did not flinch from obedience to the Father, may we gladly give ourselves to whatever service He asked us to do in Your name. Amen.

- Thank You Lord for church initiatives reaching out to people in need: from lunch clubs for older people and children in school holidays to foodbanks, from debt advice to sheltering the homeless. Help them also to share the gospel message. Amen.
- Father, we pray for Christians You call to stand up for truth, justice and compassion in politics, media, business, industry, law, finance, education, medicine, care for the environment and other areas. May they hold fast to Your Word and be worthy ambassadors of Christ. Amen.
- Lord, please raise up people with vision and resources so that more church buildings can be used for social gatherings and offer essential services such as post offices, GP surgeries and shops, besides being places of worship. Amen.
- Holy Spirit, please reveal to us what good works You have ordained for our lives. May you especially shape and guide children and young people through their education, giftings, relationships, interests and encounters with Jesus to discover what You have called them to do. Amen.
- GOOD FRIDAY Lord, we are forever grateful for the cross. We worship You Lord Jesus our Suffering Saviour, Risen Redeemer and Coming King. Thank You Father for sending Your beloved Son to die; that all who believe in Him might have eternal life. Amen.
- Lord our Saviour, may **Your people be peacemakers**, encouraging forgiveness and reconciliation in families, workplaces, churches, communities and further afield. Please give wisdom, courage and favour to those trying to do this where there is little hope of agreement. Amen.

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Order of Service



"Everyone who lined the streets had a different reason for waving those palms. Jesus was the only one in the parade who knew why he was going to Jerusalem. He had a mission, while everyone else had an agenda." *Bill Hybel*

Focus

by reading Matthew 21:1-11

Sing or read the words of CH4 hymn 185

Come children (Christians), join and sing

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rv0XaoRQwpc

¹ Come, Christians, join to sing

Alleluial Amen

Prayer

Reading Psalm 118:1-2 and 19-29

A Reflection for Today - Three processions

Prayer

Draw us close to you now as **we sing together the Lord's Prayer** – CH4 652 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aEplqV0scyo

loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
let all, with heart and voice,
before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice.
Alleluia! Amen!

² Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

3 Praise yet our Christ again,
Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
on heaven's blissful shore,
his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

If singing along with Andrea Bocelli

(Our Father) (Which art in heaven) (Hallowed be Thy name)

Our Father, Which 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 debts As we forgive, Our debtors

And lead us not, Into temptation But deliver us, From evil

For Thine, Is the kingdom
And the power, And the glory
Forever, For Thine
Is the kingdom, And the power
And the glory, Forever
Amen

Spoken version

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

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