



St Peter's

Bishop's Waltham



Palms are distributed as people enter the church.

Welcome

Hymn: Ride on Ride on in Majesty (435)

Leader: Praise God! Hosanna to the Son of David!
People: **Hosanna to the Son of David!**
Leader: Hosanna in the highest heaven! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
People: **Hosanna to the Son of David!**
Leader: Hosanna in the highest heaven!
People: **Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

Confession and Prayers

Confession: Oh Lord who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you; we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, our faith is often more than substance, our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Saviour of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, heal what is broken, to welcome our praises and to receive us as your own. Amen

Absolution: As we hold these crosses we pray that they may be reminders of God's great love and forgiveness for each of us in Jesus. God forgive you your sins and help you to take up our own cross daily and to follow him. Amen

Palm Prayer (hold up palm crosses): 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 is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Intercessions

The Peace

Hymn: (Lord I Pray) For The Angry Words I Have Spoken (S27)

THE READING OF THE PASSION BY MARK

(The congregation remain seated whilst the Passion Gospel is read)

Jesus anointed at Bethany (14v1-11)

The Last Supper (14v12-26)

Song – Eat this Bread (S8)

Communion - *The Communion Prayer forms part of the reading and is a separate sheet. After the following words, please make your way up to receive in the normal way. All are welcome to receive or come for a blessing prayer.*

"Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving."

Communion Songs - My Peace (S31) , How Deep the Father's Love for Us (S16), Wonderful Grace (S47)

Jesus predicts Peter's Denial (14v27-31)

Gethsemane (14v32-41)

Jesus is arrested (14v43-52)

Choir (Taize) - Stay here and keep watch with me....

Song – From heaven you came (148)

Jesus before the Sanhedrin (14v53-64)

Peter disowns Jesus (14v66-72)

Jesus before Pilate (15 v1-15)

The soldiers mock Jesus (15v16-19)

The Crucifixion (15v21-32)

Congregation Response: **"Crucify Him!"**

The death of Jesus (15v33-41)

Hymn – Were you there? (540)

The burial of Jesus (15v42-47)

Choir/Congregation (Taize): Jesus remember me (during which choir lead out)

Blessing

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. And may we know your blessing, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

*Please stay behind after
the service for refreshments*

