
Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome.

Palm Sunday

Sunday 29th March 2026, 10.30am

Morning Worship

Led by the Revd Lucy Brierley



**Groups for children and young people meet
after sharing in the first part of the service.**

This Service, broadcast live from the Church can be found via the Church's website - www.wokingurc.org.uk our YouTube Channel or via our Facebook page. There is an archive of service recordings, including this one, on our website which can be viewed at home. If you would like some help to access any of them please email - office@wokingurc.org.uk or telephone us on 01483 763078. If you would like a recording of this Service, and any other, they are available in various formats by request. Please contact the Church Office.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Outside

Welcome

Opening Words

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;

we will travel through betrayal and death,

cradling hope deep in our hearts.

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,

for he is the life we long for,

he is the Word who sustains us.

We wave palm branches in anticipation,

we lay our love before him.

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:

modelling humility and obedience for all of us.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

Hymn - I Will Enter His Gates

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart;
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say this is the day that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

Leona Von Brethorst

Hymn - Sing Hosanna (Give Me Joy In My Heart)

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
give me joy in my heart, I pray;
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
keep me praising till the break of day.

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
give me peace in my heart, I pray;
give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
keep me loving till the break of day.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
give me love in my heart, I pray;
give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
keep me serving till the break of day.

Traditional

Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

The Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

Words as Jesus enters Jerusalem (the crowd wave palm leaves)

Jesus is coming

SHOUT HOSANNA

He's riding on a donkey

SHOUT HOSANNA

Open the gates

SHOUT HOSANNA

Open the ancient doors

SHOUT HOSANNA

Don't be afraid

SHOUT HOSANNA

Wave the branches

SHOUT HOSANNA

Spread out your coats

SHOUT HOSANNA

Peace in heaven

SHOUT HOSANNA

Glory in the highest heaven

SHOUT HOSANNA

Song as we process into Church

Hosanna, Hosanna

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,
Lord we lift up your name with hearts full of praise;
be exalted oh Lord my God; Hosanna in the highest.

Glory, Glory, Glory to the King of Kings.
Glory, Glory, Glory to the King of Kings.
Lord we lift up your name with hearts full of praise.
Be exalted oh Lord my God; Glory to the King of Kings.

Carl Tuttle

The Church is fitted with a loop system. The words of hymns and songs, and Bible readings etc are displayed on the screen. Bibles and hymn books in standard and large print are also available from the Welcomers. As the Service is live streamed you (and / or your family) could be on camera as efforts are made to help those watching at home to feel a part of the worshipping congregation in the Church. If you have any concerns regarding this please speak to an Elder or Welcomer.

Inside Church

Family Time & Sharing of Palm Crosses

**Hymn - From Heaven You Came Helpless Babe
(R&S 522)**

Notices

Children and Young People continue in groups

Bible Readings -

1 Peter 2 v21-25 Read by Duncan Dickson

Colossians 2 v8-15 Read by Rosa M Saia

Sermon - Big Questions continued: How does the crucifixion of Jesus gain the forgiveness of my sins?

Hymn - Oh To See The Dawn (The Power of the cross)

Prayers for Others (& Offering Prayer)

Hymn - Lift High The Cross (R&S 422)

Closing Words



NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Easter greetings cards. Please take the spare cards in the Forum and give them to your relatives, friends and neighbours and invite them to come to the Services this Holy Week.

You are invited to stay for **refreshments after the Service**. They will be served in the Forum and in the Sanctuary. Please do stay if you can to enjoy a time to meet and talk with each other.

Heathside Car Park. Free Sunday morning parking (*up until 1pm*) for those attending this Church. Please key in your registration number on a device in the Forum in the Church *before the Service* each time you are here. The barrier will rise to let you out of the car park because your number will be recognised. If the device indicates 'number not recognised' please write your details on the sheet next to the devices and press the HELP button as you reach the car park barrier. Your number will have been notified.

If you would like to donate to the work of the Church this can be done either here at Church or from home. The card machine in the Forum may be used for contactless donations and there is an offering bag underneath it for anyone wishing to make a cash donation. For one-off gifts, there is a direct link to the giving page from the "Donate" button at the top the home page of the Church's website or just scan this QR code & Select 'Donations-church Funds'.



Would you like to make a donation for flowers on a particular Sunday? May be an anniversary, special birthday or remembering someone. There is a sign-up sheet in the Forum to offer a date. Someone else will arrange them for you.

WaterAid Lent Appeal. You are invited to donate to this appeal via the card machine in the Forum, the Church website or by cash /cheques in the bowl on the Forum table. You may also leave donations in an envelope during the week in the Church office clearly marked 'WaterAid'.

Care4Creation - The Church has made environmental commitments, and the Green Team organises ways in which these can happen. You may contribute to this funding through the card machine in the Forum or via the Church's website.

Prayer requests. There is a box in the Forum with a pile of blue cards in front which you are invited to use to request prayers particularly on a Thursday morning or at other appropriate times at the Church.

Leading Worship elsewhere. Vivien Gerhold is at Christ Church URC, Windsor this morning.

Churches Together Good Friday Act of Worship and Witness in Jubilee Square at 11 am (walking from Boots, Commercial Way at 10.50 am). Help is needed! Stewards from 10.30 am to 12 noon. Setting up from 7.15 am and packing up afterwards. Please offer to Miriam Chapman or John Sinclair or phone or email Caroline Page - 07773 075214; email: carolineannpage@gmail.com

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY	Adults and young people 11+ and children's singing practice for Easter after the Service.
MONDAY	No Brigades' meetings during school Easter holidays
TUESDAY	9.15 am Holiday Fun Club - <i>Day 1</i> Tuesday Prayers - Children and Youth Work focussed - <i>not meeting during School Easter holidays</i>
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am Holiday Fun Club - <i>Day 2</i> Baby & Toddler Group - <i>not meeting during School Easter Holidays</i>
MAUNDY THURSDAY	9.15 am Holiday Fun Club - <i>Day 3</i> 11.00 am Prayers and Reflection only by Zoom this week Zoom link: https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118 8.00 pm Communion Service (<i>Refreshments from 7.30 pm</i>). <i>Flat rate evening parking charges apply in Heathside but unrestricted parking charges in most side roads when the Church car park is full.</i>
GOOD FRIDAY	10.00 am Half-hour Service at the Church <i>Parking charges apply in Heathside and usual daytime restrictions in side roads. We shall try to get as many cars as possible in the Church car park.</i> 10.50 am Churches Together Procession of Witness leaves from outside Boots, Commercial Way 11.00 am Act of Worship in Jubilee Square <i>Please see previous page about helping as a steward or setting up or clearing up</i>
SATURDAY	Youth overnight camp
EASTER DAY	9.00 am Easter Breakfast - <i>sign-up sheet in the Forum</i> 10.00 am Prayers in the Vestry 10.30 am Communion Service with Reception of new Church Members led by the Minister Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see below <i>Food and Fellowship moved to Sunday 12th April</i>
UPCOMING	Saturday 11th April - 10.00 am Work morning on the Church gardens organised by the Green Team - <i>all welcome to come along and help</i>

Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. The following items would particularly be appreciated: Sugar sachets, coffee sachets, jars of coffee, tea; pasta, rice; squash (orange or blackcurrant), bottled or cans of water; pot noodles; fresh fruit and vegetables; individually wrapped biscuits or other snacks, individual chocolate bars, tinned goods; boxer shorts (new) - men's small and medium. Your Sanctuary would particularly be grateful for pasta, rice, pasta sauces, jam, peanut butter and marmalade. Tuna, squash, baked beans, ketchup, mayonnaise, and tinned meats.

Please take this paper home with you for reference and to use the information on this page and the previous one about meetings and events in your prayers this week.