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# Palm Sunday - 24 March 2024

# A Prayer for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, who in Your tender love towards mankind sent Your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon Him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of His patience and humility, and also be made partakers of His resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



English Worship Service is live-streamed, 9:30 a.m.:

- YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">https://www.youtube.com/</a>

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# Welcome to a gathering of God's people. We gather to worship the risen Lord Jesus and to encourage one another to obey Him.

#### 1. PALM SUNDAY

Today, we join Christians worldwide to commemorate Jesus Entry into Jerusalem, commonly known as Palm Sunday. Palm crosses will be distributed. Take as many as you need. We thank all those who spent many hours making them.

- On average, over 40 people joined in daily (onsite & online), at the Lent Noon-Prayers.
- The whole bible, from Genesis to Revelation, was read aloud, in church, by a group of readers comprising of children, youth, young adults and adults. It took a total of 109 hours, over 215 slots!



#### 2. HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

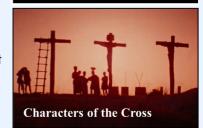
Palm Sunday also marks the beginning of the Holy or Passion Week - the week that Jesus died and resurrected. Please encourage one another to observe this week in a meaningful

manner. Reach out to those who need our special tender loving care. Our worship Services:

- 28 Mar, Maundy Thurs, 8:00 pm -Holy Communion Service
  - o CH Alpha Hall
  - o EN Omega Hall
  - o BM church
- 29 Mar, Good Friday
  - 6:00 am Thanksgiving Services at Anglican cemeteries
  - 3-hr Good Friday Service, at church: 'Characters of the Cross'
    - \* 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Chinese
    - \* 1:00 pm-2:00 pm English
    - \* 2:00 pm-3:00 pm BM
- 30 Mar, Holy Saturday, 2:00 pm Annual General Meeting.
- 31 Mar, Easter Sunday all Services as usual; followed by Easter meals.



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#### 3. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our AGM will be held on next Saturday, **30 Mar, Holy Saturday**, **Omega Hall**, **at 2:00 pm**. The report booklets are ready. Please collect your copy; and bring them along for the AGM. Pray for a great family time together.



#### 4. BAPTISM

We warmly welcome the following children who were baptised this morning, at the CH Service:

- Chan Ho Ying & Chan Ho Yau twin daughters of Chan Yan Kit & Lu Yu Chin.
- Evelyn Jia-Wen Tung daughter of Daryl Tung & Lu Yu Chiu.

#### 5. IMPORTANT MINISTRIES

- EN young adults 24 Mar; cell meeting today,
   1:00 pm. Topic: 'The effects of sin on our work'.
- Evergreens 6 Apr; seniors gathering, Omega Hall, 9:30 am.
- Theme: 'Parable of the Hidden Treasure'.

  Activities include cook your own meals, hiking to local village, sleep under tents, bible study and more.

#### 6. DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS

- 9-12 Apr World Anglican Chinese Clergy Conference, Taiwan. About 30 clergy and their wives will be joining.
- 10-12 Apr BM Prayer Conference, St. Patrick's Church, Tawau. Theme: Impak Penerobosan.
   50 of us have registered.
- 30 Apr-2 May CH & EN Young Adults' Conference, All Saints' Cathedral, KK. Open for registration. RM200 per person. Subsidy available.
- 28-30 May CH & EN Youth Camp, Vision School, Tawau. Open for



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### **BEHOLD YOUR KING**

"Here comes your king, riding on a young donkey." - John 12:15

#### For reflection and discussion:

- 1. If your uncle is the richest man in the country, what do you expect from him? Imagine ... and share. Haha!
- 2. Read John 12:12-19. Why was the crowd present v12, then 17, 18. V13 how did the crowd respond to Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem? How did they address Jesus? 'Hosanna' may be translated 'save now'. What were they hoping this 'king' do for them? How were they disappointed later in the week?
- 3. John 12:14-15 what was the true interpretation of the event, given by Scripture? Read Zechariah 9:9. How was this 'king' going to rule? What does it mean for us to 'follow Jesus' and walk 'the way of the cross'? Read Philippians 2:4-8.
- 4. John 12:16 the disciples understood the full significance of the Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem only much later. How may we understand Jesus more and more? Read John 14:26 and 16:14.
- 5. How may we observe Palm Sunday in a meaningful way? What does the palm cross remind you of? How may you use them meaningfully? They are not to be used as a charm to ward off evil (!!). How may we resist the devil?
- 6. If appropriate, let others in the group pray for you.

# **FOR PRAYER**

## **Our beloved World**

for the peaceful observance of the Holy Week
 [ that Jesus' death and resurrection be fully understood and believed ]

# Our beloved Sabah

- for rain

[that God be gracious to send us rain]

#### **Ourselves**

- for greater humility to serve our community [that we may be more like Jesus]
- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.