

Palm Sunday Service

April 13th, 2025



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GRONINGEN ANGLICAN CHURCH

A warm welcome this Palm Sunday / Van harte welkom deze Palmzondag

Information about this worship service/
Informatie over deze eredienst

<p>This booklet accompanies the red Holy Communion booklet (the full order of service).</p>	<p>Voor degenen die graag een vertaling van de eucharistische liturgie willen, zijn er ook tweetalige rode boekjes beschikbaar.</p>
<p>For the Palm procession after the start of the service, feel free to leave the red communion booklets at your seat, but bring this booklet and the palm cross with you.</p>	<p>Voor de Palmprocessie na aanvang van de dienst kunt u de rode communieboekjes gerust op uw stoel laten liggen, maar dit boekje en het palmkruis meenemen.</p>
<p>Space for play for babies and toddlers, accompanied by their parent(s), is also available in the church hall.</p>	<p>In de kerkzaal is ook ruimte om te spelen voor baby's en peuters, vergezeld van hun ouder(s).</p>
<p>All baptized Christians who receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive the sacrament with us. If, for whatever reason, you do not wish to receive, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing during the distribution of communion.</p>	<p>Alle gedoopte christenen die in hun eigen kerk de communie ontvangen, zijn van harte welkom om samen met ons het sacrament te ontvangen. Indien u om welke reden dan ook niet wenst te ontvangen, bent u van harte welkom om naar voren te komen voor een zegening tijdens het uitreiken van de communie.</p>

The Greeting

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

HYMN All glory, laud and honour Music: Melchior Teschner; Text: St Theodulph of Orleans

Refrain: All glory, laud and honour, / to thee, redeemer king,
to whom the lips of children / made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the king of Israel, thou David's royal son;
who in the Lord's name comest the King and blessed one! *Refrain*

The company of angels are praising thee on high,
and mortals, joined with all things created make reply: *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. *Refrain*

To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee now high exalted, our melody we raise: *Refrain*

Thou didst accept their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest thou good and gracious King! *Refrain*

Welcome and Introduction

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life. **Amen.**

The Palm Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

Glory to you, O Lord.

19:²⁹ Toen hij Betfage en Betanië bij de Olijfberg naderde, stuurde hij twee van de leerlingen vooruit ³⁰en zei tegen hen: 'Ga naar het dorp daarginds. Daar zullen jullie een vastgebonden veulen vinden, dat nog nooit door iemand bereden is. Maak het los en breng het hier. ³¹Als iemand jullie vraagt: "Waarom maken jullie het los?" moeten jullie antwoorden: "De Heer heeft het nodig.'" ³²De beide leerlingen gingen op weg en vonden het veulen, precies zoals Jezus had gezegd. ³³Toen ze het dier losmaakten, vroegen de eigenaars hun: 'Waarom maken jullie het los?' ³⁴Ze antwoordden: 'De Heer heeft het nodig.' ³⁵Daarna brachten ze het veulen naar Jezus. Ze wierpen hun mantels over het

19:²⁸ After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ 'Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" say, "The Lord needs it.'" ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' ³⁴ They replied, 'The Lord needs it.' ³⁵ They brought it to

dier en lieten Jezus erop zitten. ³⁶Onderweg spreidden de leerlingen hun mantels voor hem op de grond uit. ³⁷Toen hij op het punt stond de Olijfberg af te dalen, begon de hele groep leerlingen vol vreugde en met luide stem God te prijzen om alle wonderdaden die ze hadden gezien. ³⁸Ze riepen: 'Gezegend hij die komt als koning, in de naam van de Heer! Vrede in de hemel en eer aan de Allerhoogste!' ³⁹Enkele farizeeën in de menigte zeiden tegen Jezus: 'Meester, berisp uw leerlingen.' ⁴⁰Maar hij antwoordde: 'Ik zeg u: als zij zouden zwijgen, dan zouden de stenen het uitschreeuwen.'

Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: ³⁸'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!' ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, rebuke your disciples!' ⁴⁰'I tell you,' he replied, 'if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Prayer over the Palms

All hold up their palms while this prayer is said

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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Palm Procession

The people process holding their Palm Crosses and singing:

SONG Hosanna, hosanna Music and text: Carl Tuttle

1, 3. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san-na in the high -
2. Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Glo-ry to the King of

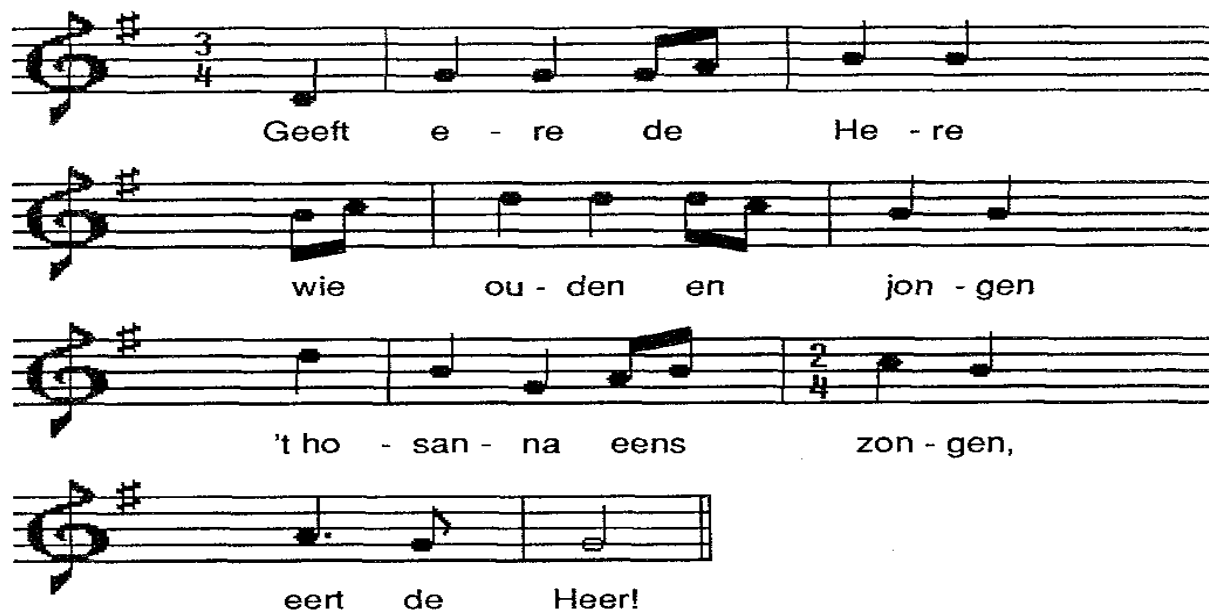
4 est! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san-na in the high -
5 kings! Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Glo-ry to the King of

8 est! Lord we lift up Your name with hearts full of praise -
Kings!

12 Be ex-alt ed, oh Lord, my God. Ho - san na in the high -

16 1, 3. Fine 2. D.S. al Fine
est! kings! Ho -

HYMN **Geeft ere de Here** Music: Missen en Gezangen 1745; Text: RB Jansonius



Geeft e - re de He - re
wie ou - den en jon - gen
't ho - san - na eens zon - gen,
eert de Heer!



1. Hei - land, hoop van ou - de tij - den,
hoor U thans een wel - kom wij - den:
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na!



Eeuw - ge poor - ten, hoog uw hoofd:
hier komt Hij die is be - loofd!

Refrein

2. 't Volk van Juda langs de wegen
zingt U bij uw intocht tegen:
Hosanna, hosanna!
Koning zijt Gij, die bevrijdt,
die thans naar uw stede rijdt.

Refrein

3. Niemand die vergeefs zal smeken,
al het onrecht wilt Gij wreken.
Hosanna, hosanna!
Priester, koning en profeet
die men zoon van David heet!

Refrein

4. Heden toont God zijn erbarmen
aan de armsten van de armen.
Hosanna, hosanna!
't Lastdier is de wank'le troon
van de hoge koningszoon.
Refrein

5. Palmen strooiden Abrams zonen:
God komt in ons midden wonen!
Hosanna, hosanna!
Stad van God, verheerlijkt Hem,
Hij bevrijdt Jeruzalem! *Refrein*

6. Gods Gezalfde treedt thans binnen,
't eeuwig Godsrijk gaat beginnen.
Hosanna, hosanna!
Zingt ook ons lied Hem ter eer
met de Naam van God de Heer!
Refrein

The Collect Prayer

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. **Amen.**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:5-11):

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

⁵Die gezindheid moet onder u heersen welke ook Christus Jezus bezielde: ⁶Hij die bestond in goddelijke majesteit heeft zich niet willen vastklampen aan de gelijkheid met God: ⁷Hij heeft zich van zichzelf ontdaan en het bestaan van een slaaf aangenomen. Hij is aan de mensen gelijk geworden. En als mens verschenen ⁸heeft Hij zich vernederd, Hij werd gehoorzaam tot de dood, tot de dood aan een kruis. ⁹Daarom heeft God hem hoog verheven Hem de naam verleend die boven alle namen is, ¹⁰opdat bij het noemen van zijn naam zich ieder een knie zou buigen in de hemel, op aarde en onder de aarde, ¹¹en iedere tong zou belijden tot eer van God, de Vader: Jezus Christus is de Heer.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

The Passion Reading

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

No response is made. The Congregation may be seated.

Narrator: 23:¹ Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate.
² And they began to accuse him, saying,

All: **'We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Messiah, a king.'**

Narrator: ³ So Pilate asked Jesus,

Pilate: 'Are you the king of the Jews?'

Jesus: 'You have said so.'

Narrator: ⁴ Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd,

Pilate: 'I find no basis for a charge against this man.'

Narrator: ⁵ But they insisted,

All: **'He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.'**

Narrator: ⁶ On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean.

⁷ When he learned that Jesus was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸ When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had

been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform a sign of some sort. ⁹ He plied him with

many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰ The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing

him. ¹¹ Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. ¹² That day Herod and Pilate became friends – before this they had been enemies.

¹³ Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people,

¹⁴ and said to them,

Pilate: 'You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. ¹⁵ Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶ Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.'

Narrator: ¹⁸ But the whole crowd shouted,

All: 'Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!'

Narrator: ¹⁹ (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.) ²⁰ Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. ²¹ But they kept shouting,

All: 'Crucify him! Crucify him!'

Narrator: ²² For the third time he spoke to them:

Pilate: 'Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.'

Narrator: ²³ But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. ²⁴ So Pilate decided to grant their demand. ²⁵ He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will. ²⁶ As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷ A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸ Jesus turned and said to them,

Jesus: 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For the time will come when you will say, "Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!" ³⁰ Then "they will say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us!'" ³¹ For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?'

Narrator: ³² Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said,

Jesus: 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.'

Narrator: And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. ³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, **All:** 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.'

Narrator: ³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said,

Soldiers: 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.'

Narrator: ³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews. ³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him:

Criminal 1: 'Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!'

Narrator: ⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him.

Criminal 2: 'Don't you fear God, since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.'

Narrator: ⁴² Then he said,

Criminal 2: 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'

Narrator: ⁴³ Jesus answered him,

Jesus: 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

Narrator: ⁴⁴ It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ⁴⁵ for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Jesus called out with a loud voice,

Jesus: 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.'

Narrator: When he had said this, he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said,

Soldier: 'Surely this was a righteous man.'

Narrator: ⁴⁸ When all the people who had gathered to witness this sight saw what took place, they beat their breasts and went away. ⁴⁹ But all those who knew him, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Narrator: This is the Passion of the Lord.

HYMN *When I survey the wondrous cross* Music ROCKINGHAM; Text: Isaac Watts

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

3 See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my life, my soul, my all.

The Nicene Creed (*p. 7 of the Service Booklet/ p. 13 in de tweetalige editie*)

Intercessions

The Peace

SONG Meekness and Majesty

Words & Music: Graham Kendrick

Meekness and majesty manhood and deity
In perfect harmony the Man who is God
Lord of eternity dwells in humanity
Kneels in humility and washes our feet

Chorus O what a mystery meekness and majesty
Bow down and worship for this is your God
This is your God

Father's pure radiance perfect in innocence
Yet learns obedience to death on a cross
Suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice
And as they crucify prays Father forgive *Chorus*

Wisdom unsearchable God the invisible
Love indestructible in frailty appears
Lord of infinity stooping so tenderly
Lifts our humanity to the heights of His throne *Chorus*

The Eucharistic Prayer: Prayer B (*p. 22 ff of the Service Booklet/ p. 19ff in de tweetalige editie*); with a special Preface for Passiontide

Prayer after Communion (*p. 16 of the Service Booklet/p. 39 in de tweetalige editie*)

HYMN: My song is love unknown

Music: John Ireland; Text: Samuel Crossman

My song is love unknown, / my saviour's love for me;
love to the loveless shown / that they might lovely be:
but who am I, that for my sake / my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
He came from heaven's throne / salvation to bestow;
but they refused, and none / the longed-for Christ would know:
this is my friend, my friend indeed, / who at my need his life did spend.
Sometimes they crowd his way / and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day / hosannas to their king:
then 'crucify' is all their breath, / and for his death they thirst and cry.
Why, what has my Lord done / to cause this rage and spite?
he made the lame to run, / and gave the blind their sight:
what injuries! yet these are why / the Lord most high so cruelly dies.
They rise and they must have / my dear Lord done away;
a murderer they save, / the prince of life they slay!
Yet willingly, to shame he goes / that he his foes, from this, might free.
Here might I stay and sing / of him my soul adores;
never was love, dear King, / never was grief like yours!
This is my friend in whose sweet praise / I all my days could gladly spend.

Notices/Announcements

The Blessing and Dismissal (*p. 17 of the Service Booklet/p. 41 in de tweetalige editie*)



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4th Sundays (Holy Communion) at 10:30 am, all at St Maarten-langs-de-weg
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Evening services: with the Martiniwijkgemeente: 1st Sundays at 17:00 in the Martinikerk.

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Grace Church Forthcoming Services and Events:

- Sunday 20 April, 10:30: Grace Easter Sunday Holy Communion, Old Catholic Church.
- Sunday 27 April, 10:30: Grace Holy Communion, Old Catholic Church.
- Sunday 4 May, 17:00: Grace & Martini International Service, Martinikerk.
- Sunday 11 May, 10:30: Grace Service of the Word, Old Catholic Church.
- Sunday 25 May, 10:30: Grace Holy Communion, Old Catholic Church.

Movie Nights: May 9th & June 6th , SKLO Bldg (Kraneweg 33, 9718 JE Groningen)

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