

Welcome to the



a congregation of the
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Bible Readings for Holy Week

Mon 26 Mar: Ps36:5-11; Isaiah 42:1-9; Hebrews 9:11-15; John 12:1-11

Tue 27 Mar: Ps71:1-14; Isaiah 49: 1-7; 1 Cor 1: 18-31; John 12: 20-36

Wed 28 Mar: Ps 70; Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Hebrews 12: 1-3; John 13: 21-32

Thu 29 Mar: Ps 116: 1-2, 12-19; Exodus 12: 1-14; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday (30 Mar): Ps 22; Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12; Hebrews 10: 16-25; John 18:1 - 19:42

Sat 31 Mar: Ps 31:1-4, 15-16; Job 14:1-14; 1 Peter 4:1-8; John 19: 38-42

Order of Service for Sunday 25 March 2018



Worship for Palm Sunday 2018

Call to Worship (congregational responses **in bold**)

This is Palm Sunday,

when we remember the Triumphal Entry.

As Jesus entered the city people shouted:

“Hosanna!

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

Blessed is the King of Israel!

But within days they denied him and demanded his death.

Today, let him enter our hearts and never be denied.

Jesus is the Christ, the anointed one of God.

Jesus is our living Lord!

Praise: Hosanna, hosanna

(MP 242)

- *during which the children will enter with palms*

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-1 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, O Lord my God –

- hosanna in the highest.

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-2 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, O Lord my God –

- glory to the King of kings.

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Welcome & Prayer of Approach

Children's Message

Praise: Here comes Jesus on a donkey (CH4 369)

1. Here comes Jesus on a donkey
riding, oh, so slow!
All the children run before him,
singing as they go.

refrain:
Hosanna, hosanna, singing all along.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus loves their song.

2. People lay their coats before him
as they ride along,
waving branches, loudly singing,
hear their happy song.
refrain

3. In God's house their voices ringing
praising loud and long;
though men try to stop their singing,
Jesus wants their song.

refrain

*Baptism of Noud Tijmen Pieter Wigboldus – during which
we'll*

*say **The Apostles' Creed** (words are at CH4 628)*

The **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated
at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*And sing **The Lord bless you and keep you** (CH4
796)*

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you:
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Praise: Child of blessing, child of promise (CH4 633)

1. Child of blessing, child of promise,
God's you are, from God you came.
in this sacrament God claims you:
live as one who bears Christ's name.

2. Child of God, you bear God's image,
learn to listen for God's call;
grow to laugh and sing and worship,
trust and love God more than all.

Blessing on the Children

Palm Sunday Prayer concluding with The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Reading: **John 12: 12 – 16**

(p.1079)

12 The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem.

13 They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!"

14 Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

15 "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

16 At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

Praise: Ride on! Ride on in majesty!

(MP 580)

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark, all the tribes, 'Hosanna!' cry,
O Saviour meek, pursue Your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
in lowly pomp ride on to die:

O Christ, Your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Your last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on His sapphire throne
awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
in lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow Your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, Your power, and reign.

A Palm Sunday Reflection

Praise: Lord, I lift your name on high
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Lord, I lift Your name on high,
Lord, I love to sing Your praises;
I'm so glad You're in my life,
I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from Heaven to earth
to show the way,
from the earth to the cross
my debt to pay;
from the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Reading: **Philippians 2: 5 – 11**
(p.1179)

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.

Reflection: “Your attitude should be the same as that of Jesus”

Praise: All glory, laud and honour

(MP 9)

- 1 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.
- 2 The company of angels
are praising Thee on high,
and mortal men and all things
created make reply.
The people of the Hebrews
with psalms before Thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before Thee we present.
- 3 To Thee before Thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to Thee now high exalted
our melody we raise.
Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,

Thou good and gracious King.

Offering & Prayer of Dedication followed by Church News

Sonrise: **God is good, we sing and shout it** (MP 185)

God is good – we sing and shout it,
God is good – we celebrate;
God is good – no more we doubt it,
God is good – we know it's true!

And when I think of His love for me,
my heart fills with praise
and I feel like dancing;
for in His heart there is room for me,
and I run with arms opened wide.

God is good – we sing and shout it,
God is good – we celebrate;
God is good – no more we doubt it,
God is good – we know it's true! *Hey!*

Jubilate, everybody

(MP 394)

Jubilate, everybody,
serve the Lord in all your ways, and
come before His presence singing:
enter now His courts with praise.
For the Lord our God is gracious,
and His mercy everlasting.
Jubilate, jubilate,
jubilate Deo!

Prayers for Others - Elder

Reading: **Mark 15: 1 – 39**

(The Message)

1 Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their

plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

2 “Are you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate. “You have said so,” Jesus replied.

3 The chief priests accused him of many things.

4 So again Pilate asked him, “Aren’t you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of.”

5 But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

6 Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested.

7 A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising.

8 The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

9 “Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate,

10 knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him.

11 But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

12 “What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?” Pilate asked them.

13 “Crucify him!” they shouted.

14 “Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

15 Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

The Soldiers Mock Jesus

16 The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers.

17 They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him.

18 And they began to call out to him, “Hail, king of the Jews!”

19 Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him.

20 And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

The Crucifixion of Jesus

21 A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross.

22 They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means “the place of the skull”).

23 Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it.

24 And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.

25 It was nine in the morning when they crucified him.

26 The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.

27 They crucified two rebels with him, one on his right and one on his left.

29 Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, “So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days,

30 come down from the cross and save yourself !”

31 In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. “He saved others,” they said, “but he can’t save himself!

32 Let this Messiah, this king of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe.” Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

The Death of Jesus

33 At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

34 And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

35 When some of those standing near heard this, they said, “Listen, he’s calling Elijah.”

36 Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,” he said.

37 With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

38 The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

39 And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

Praise: There is a green hill far away

(MP 674)

- 1 There is a green hill far away
without a city wall,
where the dear Lord was crucified,
who died to save us all.
- 2 We may not know, we cannot tell
what pains He had to bear;
but we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.
- 3 He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
that we might go at last to heaven,
saved by His precious blood.
- 4 There was no other good enough
to pay the price of sin;
He only could unlock the gate
of heaven, and let us in.
- 5 O dearly, dearly has He loved,
and we must love Him too,
and trust in His redeeming blood,
and try His works to do.

Closing Responses -

We tell your story. We follow in your footsteps.

Lead us into Holy Week.

We walk towards the city. We wait in the garden.

Lead us onto holy ground.

We journey towards death. We hope for resurrection.

Lead us into holy joy.

Benediction and Three-fold Amen

WORSHIP for HOLY WEEK

Thursday 29 March 7.30pm Celebration of the Lord's

Supper

Friday 30 March 7.30pm

Worship for Good Friday

EASTER DAY

Sunday 1 April 10.30am Easter Communion Service

- preceded at 9.00am by Easter Breakfast in the Hall

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Martin Asare-Awuku, Molly Foster-van Meeuwen and Anna Johanna Kornelia Hoek – van Herwaarden on their birthdays. *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

What's on the agenda?

Thursday and Friday

Holy Week Services at 7.30pm

Sunday 1 April

Easter Services:

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson

Elder: Fred Booman

Sonrise: Rev. Irene Bom

Children's message: Derek Lawson

Organist: Joseph Hoang Nguyen

Bible Reader: Hank Meldrum (1st & 2nd reading)

Welcome: Jaco Jacobs & Moira Lawson

Crèche: Nnenna Koka & Maaïke v.d. Eerden

Counting: Ranee Damanik & Molly Foster
Door: Frans v.d. Meer
Beamer: Joshua Paundra
Recording: Andre v.d. Velden
Hospitality: Steve & Pam Russell
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Summary 18.03.18

Open plate	427.35
Envelopes	431.00
Coffee money	10.45
Sunday school	2.50
Bank (weekly avg.)	454.00
Fixed rental weekly avg.	368.00
Additional rental avg	<u>322.00</u>
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Average Weekly expenditure **2,038.00**

Church News of 25.03.2018 announced by the Elder

Please check the agenda in this Order of Service and take it home for further reference.

Thanks to all who participated in the **After Work Dinner Show**. Thanks to the cooks, the servers, the eaters, the performers and all others who were there.

Participating in the Good Friday Service 30th March

As in previous years, Rev. Irene Bom will be leading the Good Friday Service on 30 March. The theme this year is "At the crossroads".

If you'd like to take part in the service in the some way and maybe help with the planning and preparation as well, please contact Irene.

See Bob or Irene for details on how to get in touch.

If you like to receive the **SICR Bulletin** in your mailbox every Thursday, make sure Ato Bob has your email address.

If you did not hear these announcements properly, find them on the **Notice Board** downstairs, with a copy to take away.