

Dear Saints of St. John's Parish Church,

We cannot gather together to celebrate the Triumphant Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, but we can still commemorate the amazing event. Our plan, as the Body of Christ, is to show the world that we're prepared for Jesus to enter Jerusalem by hanging palm fronds or branches on our doors, mailboxes, or in our windows. If you do not have palms to use, you could print a picture of palms, or even draw and color a picture of palms to hang. Attach them in whichever way is best for your home.

Here is a liturgy to use on Sunday morning, before joining us for live worship on the Facebook page at 10:30 (beginning on p. 553 in the 2019 BCP):

**Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. The procession with palms...is fundamentally an act of worship, witness, and devotion to our Lord.*

Say together: Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Read together: Matthew 21:1-11

Pray together: We praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day He entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was hailed as King by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along His way. Sanctify these branches with your blessing, we humbly pray, that they may be for us signs of His victory. 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, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Say together: *(While holding or hanging the palms)* Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Amen.

*Please take a picture of your liturgy and palms and send it to media@stjohnsparish.net