



# Gilcomston Church

**Sunday 2 April**

***..from the lips of children and infants You,  
Lord, have called forth Your praise...  
Matthew 21:16***

# **Morning Service**

**Easter**

**Welcoming The King**

**Matthew 21:1-17**

**Rev Jerry Middleton**

**His large and great dominion shall  
from sea to sea extend:  
it from the river shall reach forth  
unto earth's utmost end.**

**The king of Tarshish, and the isles,  
to Him shall presents bring;  
and unto Him shall offer gifts  
Sheba's and Seba's king.**

**Yea, all the mighty kings on earth  
before Him down shall fall;  
and all the nations of the world  
do service to Him shall.**

**His Name for ever shall endure;  
last like the sun it shall:  
men shall be blest in Him, and blest  
all nations shall Him call.**

**Now blessed be the Lord our God,  
the God of Israel,  
for He alone doth wondrous works,  
in glory that excel.**

**And blessed be His glorious Name  
to all eternity:  
the whole earth let His glory fill.  
Amen, so let it be.**

*Psalm 72*

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**Prayer**

# Matthew 21. 9-16

<sup>9</sup> The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,  
“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

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

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

<sup>10</sup> When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”

# Matthew 21. 9-16

**<sup>11</sup> The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”**

**<sup>12</sup> Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. <sup>13</sup> “It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be called a house of prayer,’ but you are making it ‘a den of robbers.’ ”**

# **Matthew 21. 9-16**

**<sup>14</sup> The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. <sup>15</sup> But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, “Hosanna to the Son of David,” they were indignant.**

# Matthew 21. 9-16

<sup>16</sup> “Do you hear what these children are saying?” they asked him.

“Yes,” replied Jesus, “have you never read,

“From the lips of children and infants

you, Lord, have called forth your praise’?”

# Children's Talk

**You are the King of Glory,  
You are the Prince of Peace,  
You are the Lord of heav'n and earth,  
You're the Son of righteousness.  
Angels bow down before You,  
worship and adore, for  
You have the words of eternal life,  
You are Jesus Christ the Lord.**

**Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Hosanna to the King of kings!  
Glory in the highest heaven,  
for Jesus the Messiah reigns.**

*M Ford*

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# Prayer

# **Message**

**Welcoming The King!**  
**Matthew 21:1-17**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty  
as all the crowds 'Hosanna!' cry:  
through waving branches slowly ride,  
O Saviour, to be crucified.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,  
in lowly pomp ride on to die:  
O Christ, Your triumph now begin  
with captured death and conquered sin!**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty:  
the angel armies of the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,  
the last and fiercest foe defy;  
the Father on His sapphire throne  
awaits His own anointed Son.**

**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!**

*Henry H Milman 1791-1868*

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# Sacrament

**Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple  
the joyful anthem rang;  
to Jesus, who had blessed them  
close folded to His breast,  
the children sang their praises,  
the simplest and the best.**

**‘Hosanna in the highest!’  
that ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer,  
the Lord of heaven our King.  
O may we ever praise Him  
with heart and life and voice,  
and in His blissful presence  
eternally rejoice.**

*Jennette Threlfall, 1821-80*

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**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all.  
Amen.**

# **Evening Service**

**Easter**  
**Shirkers And Shrinkers**  
**Luke 9:44-62**

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the King of Israel,  
great David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming,  
His own anointed One.**

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**The company of angels  
are praising You on high  
and we with all creation  
together make reply.**

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

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

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**To You, before Your passion,  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to You, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.**

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

**As You received their praises,  
accept the prayer we bring,  
in every good delighting,  
our good and gracious King.**

**All glory, praise and honour  
to You, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.**

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# Prayer

# Luke 9.44-62

**44 “Listen carefully to what I am about to tell you: The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men.” 45 But they did not understand what this meant. It was hidden from them, so that they did not grasp it, and they were afraid to ask him about it.**

**46 An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest.**

# Luke 9.44-62

**47 Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and had him stand beside him.**

**48 Then he said to them, “Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For it is the one who is least among you all who is the greatest.”**

**49 “Master,” said John, “we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we tried to stop him,**

# Luke 9.44-62

because he is not one of us.”

<sup>50</sup> “Do not stop him,” Jesus said, “for whoever is not against you is for you.”

<sup>51</sup> As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him;

# Luke 9.44-62

<sup>53</sup> but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” <sup>55</sup> But Jesus turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then he and his disciples went to another village.

# Luke 9.44-62

**57** As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

**58** Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”

**59** He said to another man, “Follow me.”

But he replied, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.”

# Luke 9.44-62

<sup>60</sup> Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.”

<sup>61</sup> Still another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.”

<sup>62</sup> Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”

**I see the King of glory,  
coming on the clouds with fire.**

**The whole earth shakes,  
the whole earth shakes.**

**I see His love and mercy,  
washing over all our sin.**

**The people sing, the people sing.**

***Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.***

**I see a generation  
rising up to take their place,  
with selfless faith, with selfless faith.**

**I see a near revival  
stirring as we pray and seek.**

**We're on our knees, we're on our knees.  
*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.***

**Heal my heart and make it clean.  
Open up my eyes to the things unseen.  
Show me how to love  
like You have loved me.  
Break my heart for what breaks Yours.  
Ev'rything I am, for Your Kingdom's cause.  
As I walk from earth into eternity.  
*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.***

*Brooke Ligertwood*

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# Prayer

# **Message**

**Easter  
Shirkers And Shrinkers?  
Luke 9:44-62**

# Prayer

**By faith we see the hand of God;  
in the light of creation's grand design  
in the lives of those  
who prove His faithfulness;  
who walk by faith and not by sight.**

**By faith the prophets saw a day  
when they longed for Messiah  
would appear  
with the power to break the chains  
of sin and death  
and rise triumphant from the grave.**

***We will stand as children of the promise;  
we will fix our eyes on Him,  
our soul's reward.  
Till the race is finished  
and the work is done;  
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.***

**By faith the church was called to go  
in the power of the Spirit to the lost;  
to deliver captives  
and to preach good news,  
in every corner of the earth.**

***We will stand as children of the promise;  
we will fix our eyes on Him,  
our soul's reward.  
Till the race is finished  
and the work is done;  
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.***

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**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all.  
Amen.**

# Church Calendar

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