

ST NICHOLAS' ANGLICAN CHURCH, HELSINKI

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Palm Sunday, 10th April 2022



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We warmly welcome you to our Sunday Eucharist! We hope you will stay for a chat and refreshments after the service.

Safeguarding

We are committed to the safeguarding, care and nurture of everyone within our community. Please contact the safeguarding officer or chaplain for assistance or advice; we respond promptly to every concern or allegation.

Participating in the Service

The order of service indicates whether to sit or stand, however please feel free to adopt the posture that you feel most comfortable with. If you have difficulty coming up for communion then please let the Verger know and we will bring Communion to you.

Music

Music notation for the Kyrie & Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus, and Agnus Dei are available on a separate sheet.

Children

Children are always welcome at our services. Sunday School takes place during school term-time, on Sundays at 10am in the Church crypt. We also have a Youth Group for ages 11 plus. To find out more please speak to one of our Sunday School teachers on the contact list.

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The Commemoration Of The Lord's Entry Into Jerusalem

Please gather on the steps of the church, bringing your palm cross, service guide and hymn book with you.

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.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

and also with you.

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.

Please hold up your palm cross.

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 for ever. Amen.

The Palm Gospel: Luke 19.28-40

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.'
He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

Processional Hymn: 14 All Glory, Laud, and Honour

Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-9a. Read by Humphrey Kalanje. *We sit*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31.9-16 sung to a chant by Charles Harford Lloyd (1849-1919)

Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy :
but hast set my feet in a large room.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble :
and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness, yea, my soul and my body.

For my life is waxen old with heaviness :
and my years with mourning.

My strength faileth me because of mine iniquity :
and my bones are consumed.

I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours :
and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me, and they that did see me without
conveyed themselves from me.

I am clean forgotten as a dead man out of mind :
I am become like a broken vessel.

For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude :
and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their
counsel to take away my life.

But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord :
I have said, Thou art my God.

The Second Reading: Philippians 2.5-11. Read by Peter Joy. *We sit*

A reading from the epistle of St Paul to the Philippians

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 535 O Sacred Head, Surrounded

There is no sermon today.

THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST LUKE – SEE SEPARATE LEAFLET

Please could everyone join in reading wherever it says 'Crowd'.

After the reading, silence is kept.

The Nicene Creed *please stand*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father [*and the Son*]*,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**For ecumenical reasons, and according to the Anglican – Oriental Orthodox Agreement, Filioque can be omitted.*

Prayers of Intercession *please sit or stand*

We stand with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who still make Jerusalem a battle-ground, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow, feel that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace *please stand*

Once we were far off,
but now in union with Christ Jesus we have
been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace. (*cf Ephesians 2.13*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. *Please wave or use a 'Namaste' greeting.*

Preparation of the Table

A hymn is sung and the gifts of the people may be gathered and presented.

If you would like to make a donation to support the continuing mission of the Chaplaincy then please do so after the service – we have a mobile pay option (number 95789), contactless payment option, or offerings can be made in the basket provided at the back of Church. Thank you!

Offertory Hymn: 463 My Song is Love Unknown (CHOIR ONLY: Verses 3 and 4)

Please stand whilst the table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. One or more prayers may be said.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

This, or another suitable prayer may be read:

Lord, may the Passion of your only Son make us pleasing to you, that we may gain your mercy and love not by any merits of our own but by his perfect sacrifice; we ask this in his name. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer *please stand*

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
For as the time of his passion and resurrection draw near
the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.
The power of the life-giving cross
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world
and the triumph of Christ crucified.
He is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever;
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death,
Lord Jesus,
Until you come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of [N and] all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei *we sing*

**Jesus, Lamb of God:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins:**

**have mercy on us.
Jesus redeemer of the world:
grant us your peace.**

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion:

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer of Humble Access

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.
Amen.**

Music During Communion *The Choir sing "Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended".*

PLEASE WAIT TO BE INVITED BY THE VERGER TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION.

We kindly ask that you extend your hands, with your face covering in place. You may lower or unloop your face mask to consume the consecrated bread and then replace the face mask before moving back to your place in the congregation.

The president and people receive communion. The Church of England invites to Holy Communion all baptised persons who are communicant members of other Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and who are in good standing in their own Church. Those who are prevented by conscience or the rules of their own Churches from receiving the Blessed Sacrament are invited to receive a blessing. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

**Post-Communion Hymn: 34 And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love TUNE 1: UNDE
ET MEMORES**

Jesus said, My Father, if this cup cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.
(Matthew 26.42)

Silence is kept.

Post-Communion Prayers

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Please stand

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Blessing

Christ crucified draw you to himself,
to find in him a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sins forgiven;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Some brief announcements may be made by the president

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: 583 Ride On, Ride On In Majesty TUNE1: WINCHESTER NEW

The ministers and people depart.

PLEASE WAIT TO BE GUIDED OUT SAFELY BY THE VERGER
Thank you for joining us in worship today, we hope to welcome you again soon!

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Bishop Robert has launched his Lent and Easter Appeal to help get aid to people in Ukraine and those who have fled from the war.

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Please join us TOMORROW at 6pm for...



A lecture by Dr. Edward Roslof

The decision by Russian President Vladimir Putin to attack Ukraine is often linked to his fear of NATO expansion. But is that really the only factor at play? This lecture will offer a different explanation for Putin's actions based on his understanding of Russia as the defender of traditional Orthodox Christian gender roles and family values.

Dr. Roslof, an American retired history professor who studies Christianity in Russia, will reveal the sources of Putin's religious views, describing how a former Communist and KGB officer came to launch a deadly crusade for Orthodoxy, and explaining its popular appeal.

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FREE ENTRY



Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday 10th April

10am Sung Eucharist at Mikael Agricola Church

Maundy Thursday 14th April

7pm Sung Eucharist followed by
The Watch at Helsinki Cathedral Chapel

Good Friday 15th April

12 noon Liturgy
at Helsinki Cathedral Chapel

Saturday 16th April

'Festival of Easter at St Nicholas'
An evening of readings, music & hymns
7pm in Mikael Agricola Church

Easter Sunday 17th April

10am Sung Eucharist at Mikael Agricola Church

Festival of Easter



Saturday 16th April
at 7pm

An evening of beautiful music, readings and poetry which narrate the events leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection.

Mikael Agricola Church, Helsinki

A collection is taken for the Bishop
of Europe's Easter Appeal,
in aid of Ukraine.

ANNUAL CHAPLAINCY MEETING



**Sunday 24th April
Mikael Agricola Crypt
11.30am**

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<https://www.anglican.fi/registration-forms/>. Please note that to nominate, vote or be nominated you need to be on the electoral roll.

Please note that any nomination for a lay role must also be 'seconded'. If you are unsure whether or not you are on the electoral roll then please contact Sarah in the office. The electoral roll registration form can also be accessed on the same webpage link.