

Leader: Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

## Palm Sunday

Today, we mark the entry into  
Holy Week

Service Prep: Kristine

Music: Wiggles 🐶

Proof-reader: Viki

Broadcaster: Barry

Backup Broadcaster: Paul

Zoom Buttons: Viki

Chat Host: Viki

Welcomer: Chris

Priest: N/A

Deacon: N/A

Leader: Julie

Cantor: Margo

First Reader: Helen

Second Reader: Barry

Preacher: Flashback

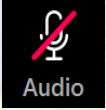
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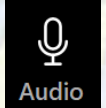
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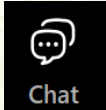


# Hospitality




Leader:



Please mute  for the service unless invited to offer your voice as part of the service ministry




Have the video camera  on or off and turn the volume and brightness up or down on your device if things are too loud   or too bright  

Our Cantor acts as our voice,  offering the responses, in **Bold Text**, which we say together



Feel welcome to use the chat  and reaction emojis  

 Please take care of yourself in this space.  Come and go as you need 

 It is great to take rest in this space, so falling asleep is also OK 

 Remember, pastoral care is available to all in the community, if you'd like to speak to someone about anything spiritual.  Visit the [help page](#) at the website to reach out 

Our **Being Together ethos and safeguarding practices** can also be accessed on the website 

 Come as you are - we are all here together! 

## *Invitation*

**Leader:** As we settle into worship let your breath be soft, your mind be still, and your heart be open to the presence of God.

**Opening Music:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4mHmZV1BC7g>

Leader and Cantor unmute

## *The Greeting*

**Leader:** The Grace of the lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

## *Call to Worship*

**Leader:** At the beginning of this Holy Week,  
let us join with the crowds of Palm Sunday  
in welcoming Jesus and celebrating all he means to us.  
Celebrate, praise, sing and shout, **Hosanna!**

## *Gathering Prayer*

**Leader:** Lord Jesus,  
we welcome you in our midst this Palm Sunday.  
With the crowds in Jerusalem, we cry 'Hosanna'  
and 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord'.  
May this time of celebration help us to walk faithfully with you  
from Palm Sunday to Good Friday.  
For your name's sake, we pray.  
**Amen.**

## *Sentence*

**Leader:** I invite our Cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

**Cantor:**

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Phillippians 2.10-11**

## *Prayer of Approach*

**Leader:** We pray the prayer of approach together

**All:** God of the journey,  
of the beginning and the end  
and the promise of new beginnings,  
we come before you on this day  
when we remember Jesus journeying to Jerusalem,  
to sing our Hosannas to your Holy Name.  
Amen.



**Our First Hymn is**  
**Ride on, Ride on, in Majesty**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uHeIX8xTpYs>

**We stay on mute**  
**Leader and Cantor mute**

## *Kyrie Eleison*

**Leader:** Lord, have mercy

**All:** *Lord have mercy*

**Leader:** Christ have mercy

**All:** *Christ have mercy*

**Leader:** Lord have mercy

**All:** *Lord, have mercy*

## *The LA Introduces Confession*

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart.

*Silence may be kept...*

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**All:** Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## *Words of Assurance offered by the LA*

These words of assurance from the First Letter of John declare that:

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the perfect offering for our sin, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

*(1 John 2: 1-2)*

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the perfect offering for our sins.

*(1 John 4:10)*

## Collect

**Leader:** Everlasting God,  
in your tender love for the human race  
you sent your Son to take our nature,  
and to suffer death upon the cross:  
in your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your  
will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## The 1st reader unmutes

**Leader:** I invite the 1st reader to unmute and offer the 1st lesson when ready.

**Reader 1:** The 1<sup>st</sup> Reading is from Isaiah 50.4-9a

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backwards.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> 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;

<sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

<sup>9</sup> 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.

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Leader:** We now say the psalm antiphonally, I invite the first reader to lead, and we will all respond with our cantor as our voice.

**Psalm 31.** <sup>9</sup> Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:  
**9-18**  
my eye wastes away for grief,  
my throat also and my inward parts.  
<sup>10</sup> For my life wears out in sorrow,  
and my years with sighing:  
my strength fails me in my affliction,  
and my bones are consumed.

*Continue...*

**11 I am become the scorn of all my enemies:  
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.**

**12 I am a thing of horror to my friends:  
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.**

**13 I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:  
I have become like a broken vessel.**

**14 For I hear the whispering of many:  
and fear is on every side;**

*Continue...*

**15** While they plot together against me:  
and scheme to take away my life.

**16** But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:  
I have said 'You are my God.'

**17** All my days are in your hand:  
O deliver me from the power of my enemies  
and from my persecutors.

**18** Make your face to shine upon your servant:  
and save me for your mercy's sake.

## The 2nd reader unmutes

**Leader:** Thank you, I invite the 2nd reader to unmute and offer the 2nd lesson when ready.

**Reader 2:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading is from Phillipians 2.5-11

<sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.

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And being found in human form,

<sup>8</sup> he humbled himself

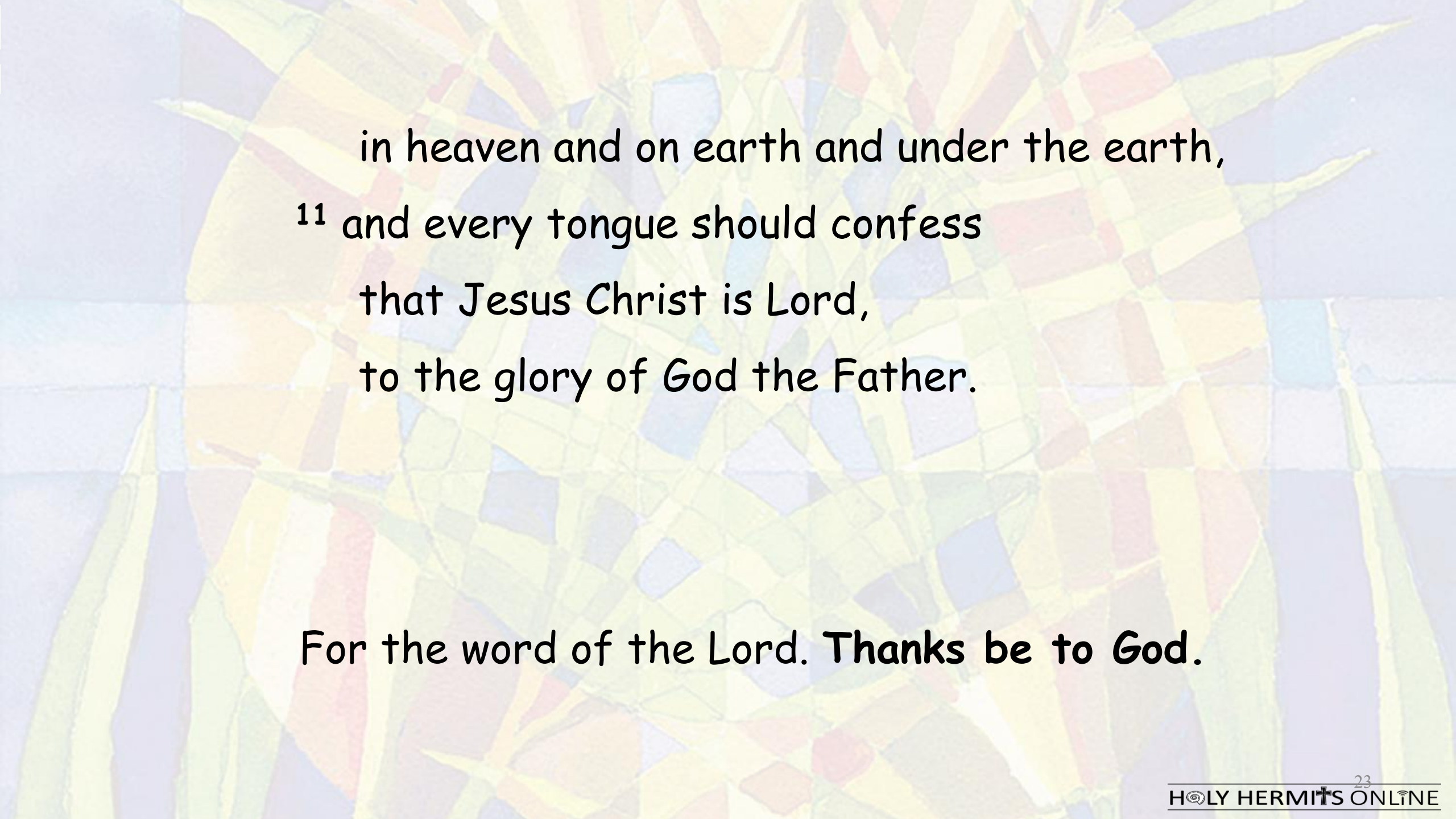
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name

that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,

Continue...



in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

An open book with text on the pages, lying in a field of green grass and purple and white flowers. The text is centered on the pages and reads: 

**We pause before  
the Gospel**



# The Passion Gospel According to St Matthew

<https://youtu.be/1KAQZrD810o>

**We stay on mute  
Leader and Cantor mute**

A still life scene featuring an open book, a vase of flowers, a lit candle in a holder, and another lit candle on a wooden table. The scene is set in a room with a window in the background, suggesting a quiet, contemplative atmosphere. The text "We pause after the Gospel" is overlaid in red on the open book.

**We pause  
after the Gospel**

Leader: .

- *Leader and Cantor mute*
- *Broadcaster exits screenshare*

# Flashback Sermon:

## Via Dolorosa - Holy Week with God

<https://holyhermits.com.au/podcasts/media/2023-04-02-via-dolorosa-holy-week-with-god>

**Leader unmutes**

**Our next Hymn is**

# **Via Dolorosa**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n9Fa70hGf34>

**We stay on mute**

**Leader mutes**

The Leader and Cantor unmute

## *The Greeting of Peace*

**Leader:** We are the body of Christ

**All:** God's Spirit is with us

**Leader:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**Leader:** A sign of peace may be exchanged

You may like to type 'Peace' into the chat, use the 'raise hand' or other reaction buttons, or just simply wave via the screen with your video turned on

(Broadcaster exits shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace)

## *Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions*

**Leader:** As we enter prayer, I invite the second reader to unmute to lead our intercessions which follow the prayer of thanksgiving. Please feel free to change your body position as you need.

## *Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions*

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, gratitude can barely cover the turmoil of our emotions when we consider the humiliation you endured, and the pain you suffered on the cross.

Yet to offer our thanks is the best we can do, and this we do with hearts overflowing with gratitude for all that you have done for us.

You who journeyed to Jerusalem to pass through death, and who journeys with us evermore,

we kneel before you in thankfulness and praise!

**Amen.**

# Intercessions

**Reader 2:** We pray for creation and communities we share our lives with. We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those environments and communities we bring to the Lord in prayer.

**PAUSE...**

We entrust to you the community of Holy Hermits Online and our ministry partners:

St John's Cathedral Brisbane  
The Anglican Diocese of Southern Queensland  
St Gabriel's, Carindale  
Benedictus Contemplative Church, Canberra  
Anglican Focus and  
Tithe.ly

Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.

Creator God, **Hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** Loving Creator, we entrust to you all animals, especially those who are sick, anxious, ageing, lost, at risk, lonely, sad, hungry, in pain, homeless, abused, living in fear, encountering violence of any kind, in need of comfort, rehabilitation or transformation.

We invite your loving compassion for:

Jasmine,  
Leese(y),  
Sid, Toots & Lulu  
Polly and Suki  
Fred, George & Percy  
Koshka  
Jax

Lambert  
Kala, Nigel & Little One  
Toby  
Taco  
Paddy  
Rosie



We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat,  
the animals we bring to the Lord in prayer. **PAUSE...**

**Reader 2:** Eternal Trinity of Love, we uphold to you the people we love and carry cares for:

Kerry, Les & Jake  
Julie, Ray, Tracey &  
Shane

Mark, Desley & Bob  
Rachel, Mervyn & Gillian  
Rev'd Shane & Janette  
Alecia, Martin & Aidan  
Matthew & Nicholas

Barry  
Dr Julie  
Ruth  
Phil  
May  
Susan  
Tanya  
Craig  
Neva

Bill & Marjorie  
Aaron & Andrea  
Dilys & Tony,  
Paul & Darhon  
Judy & Mary  
Bob & Di  
Pat & Julie  
Miriam  
Gayanne

Kirsten, Greg,  
Daphne & Beau  
Alan & Gaylene  
Jess & Leah  
Bonnie & girls  
Liz's Godchildren  
Barry & Gwen

We name in our hearts, out loud or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer. **PAUSE...** We entrust to you those who have died, those who have died peacefully and those who have died tragically, The old and the young. Receive them into your Kingdom. Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayers. **Amen.**

# *Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer*

**Leader:** Loving God, joining with the Church in our cycle of prayer, we ask your blessings on:

- The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- The Parish of Wynnum: Sam, Keith, Keith
- AnglicareSQ Family and Wellbeing

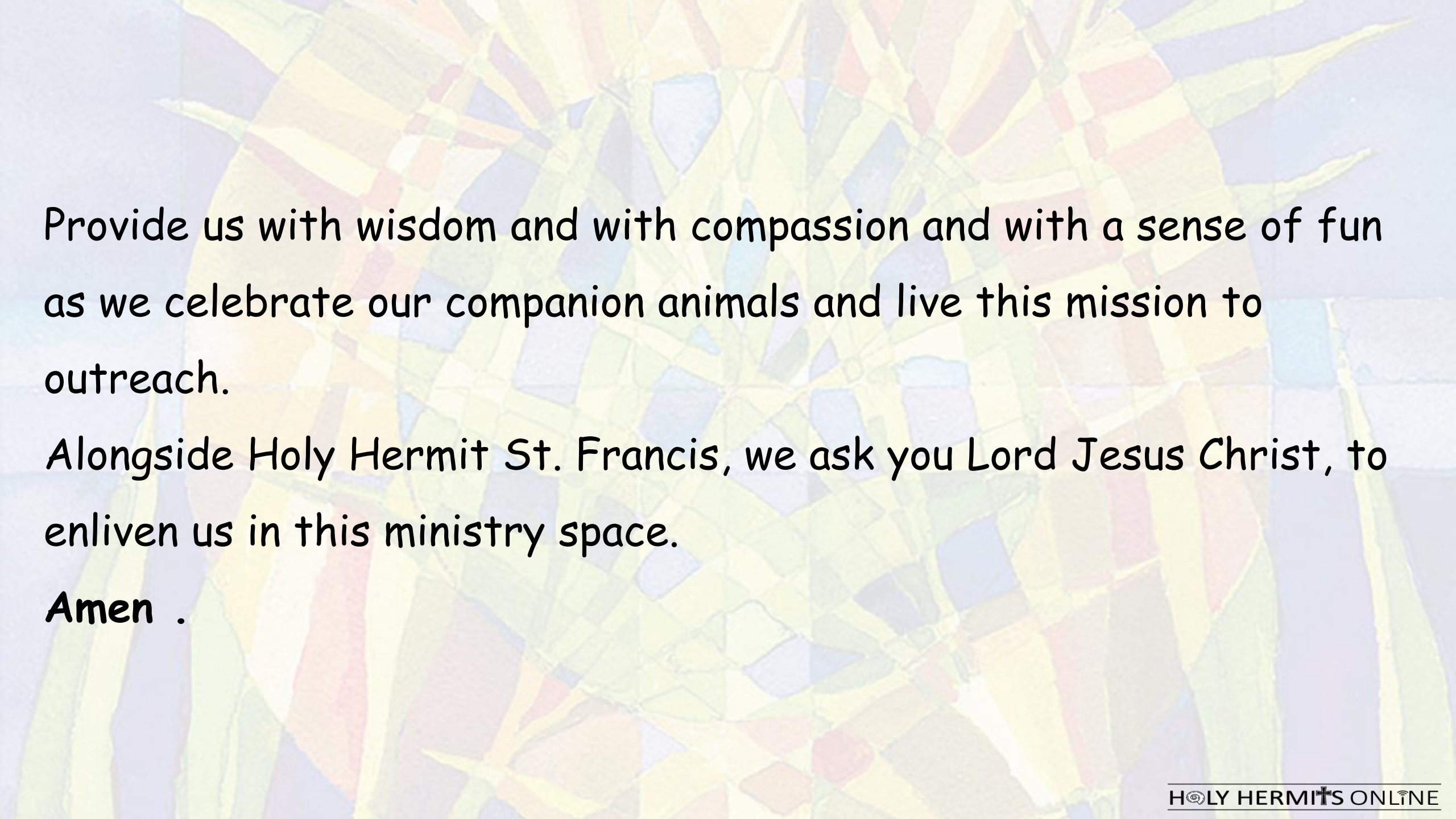
## *Commitment prayer for the week*

**Leader:** Our commitment prayer for the week is for Companion Animals

God, we give thanks for your call to develop a Companion Animal Ministry at Holy Hermits Online.

We ask for your grace to guide us, as we build this ministry together.

Holy Spirit we ask your presence to be with us as we continue to develop resources together in this new season.



Provide us with wisdom and with compassion and with a sense of fun as we celebrate our companion animals and live this mission to outreach.

Alongside Holy Hermit St. Francis, we ask you Lord Jesus Christ, to enliven us in this ministry space.

**Amen .**

**Leader:** Let us pray together the prayer which Jesus gave us saying:

**All:** 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.



# *Devotions*

**Leader:** As we enter a few minutes of silence together, you are invited to pray this prayer of adoration and/or spend this time in contemplation.

The Spiritual Communion prayer follows on the next slide. Let us be still.

**Leader and Cantor Mute**

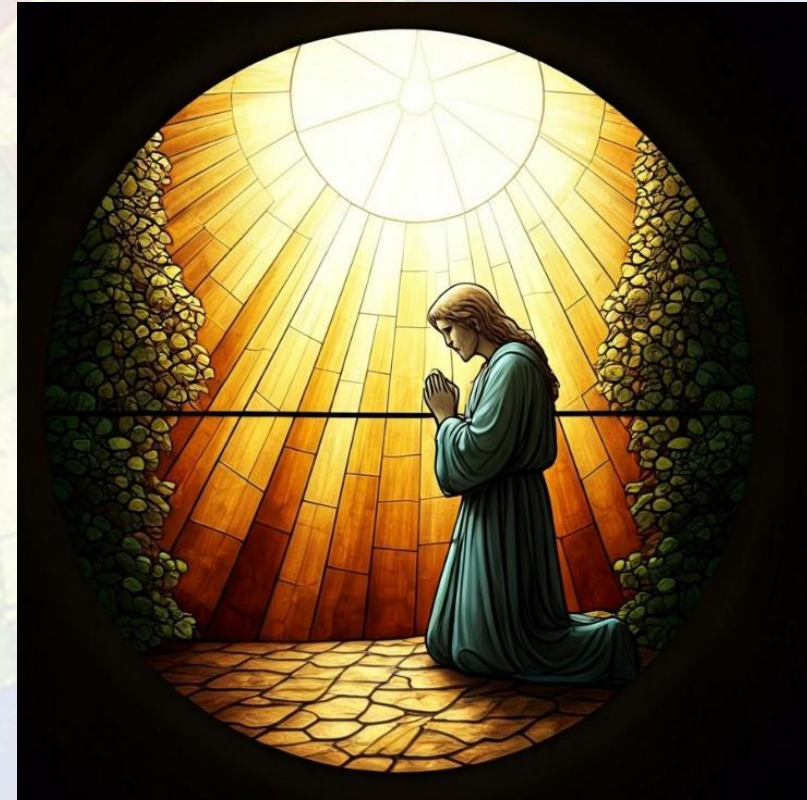


## *Prayer of Adoration*

God, who watches over us on life's journey -  
we worship and adore you!

Jesus, who journeys with us -  
we worship and adore you!

Holy Spirit, who guides us on our way -  
through you, we worship and adore! Amen.



Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of your most Sacred Body and Blood. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my Soul. I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally in Holy Communion. Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it, Sanctify it. Render my heart like your own heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed. Amen

**Making a  
Spiritual  
Communion**  
(Prayed in silence)



**Leader unmutes  
Our final song is**

# **Hosanna**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5m-QB5hgMSE>

**We stay on mute  
Leader and Cantor mute**

Leader and cantor unmute

## *Sending Prayer*

**Leader:** We pray our sending prayer together.

**All:** Lord Jesus,  
help us to see you in each person we meet in the days ahead.  
May we reveal something of your love and goodness to them.  
In your name, we pray.  
Amen.

## *The Benediction*

**Leader:** Let us all invite God's blessings together,

**All:** May the Lord bless us and keep us.

May the Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us. May the Lord's countenance be lifted upon us, and bring us peace.

**Amen**

# Notices

## Easter Service times:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> April Maundy Thursday  
Contemplative service 6pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April Good Friday At the Cross  
Contemplative service 10am
- 4<sup>th</sup> April Holy Saturday The Great Pause  
Contemplative service 10am
- 5<sup>th</sup> April Easter Day Resurrection Party 9am



# Notices

- Our [Lenten study](#) with the Cathedral continues Wednesday @ 7:30pm Contact Rev'd Jess if you would like to sign up ([jgrant@stjohnscathedral.com.au](mailto:jgrant@stjohnscathedral.com.au)).
- We are seeking a couple more broadcasters for weekly worship, if you're interested, please email [holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au](mailto:holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au)
- In May we will begin a monthly 'Spotlight on a Saint' during fellowship. Our first Saint will be St Carlo Acutis who is the patron saint of the Internet. More information in both our HHO Send Outs and in fellowship
- See HHO Events page for further upcoming events [HHO Events](#)

# Offerings: Thank you for your regular gifts to this ministry

Offerings are most welcome via

- The HHO App
- Direct Debit
- International Direct Debit
- Please consider a one-off donation or leaving a legacy in your Will



For further information go to HHO give page <https://holyhermits.com.au/give>

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Thank you for your ministry gifts

**New Servers always welcome!**

**Please email Rev'd Lauren to get involved**

**[holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au](mailto:holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au)**

## *The Dismissal*

**Leader:** I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

**Leader:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All:** In the name of Christ, Amen.

## Fellowship time

Thank you, Leonie  
for leading Fellowship

Please feel welcome to  
linger or pop a message in  
the chat and head off  
when you are ready.

Extra resources developed  
by Roots on the Web

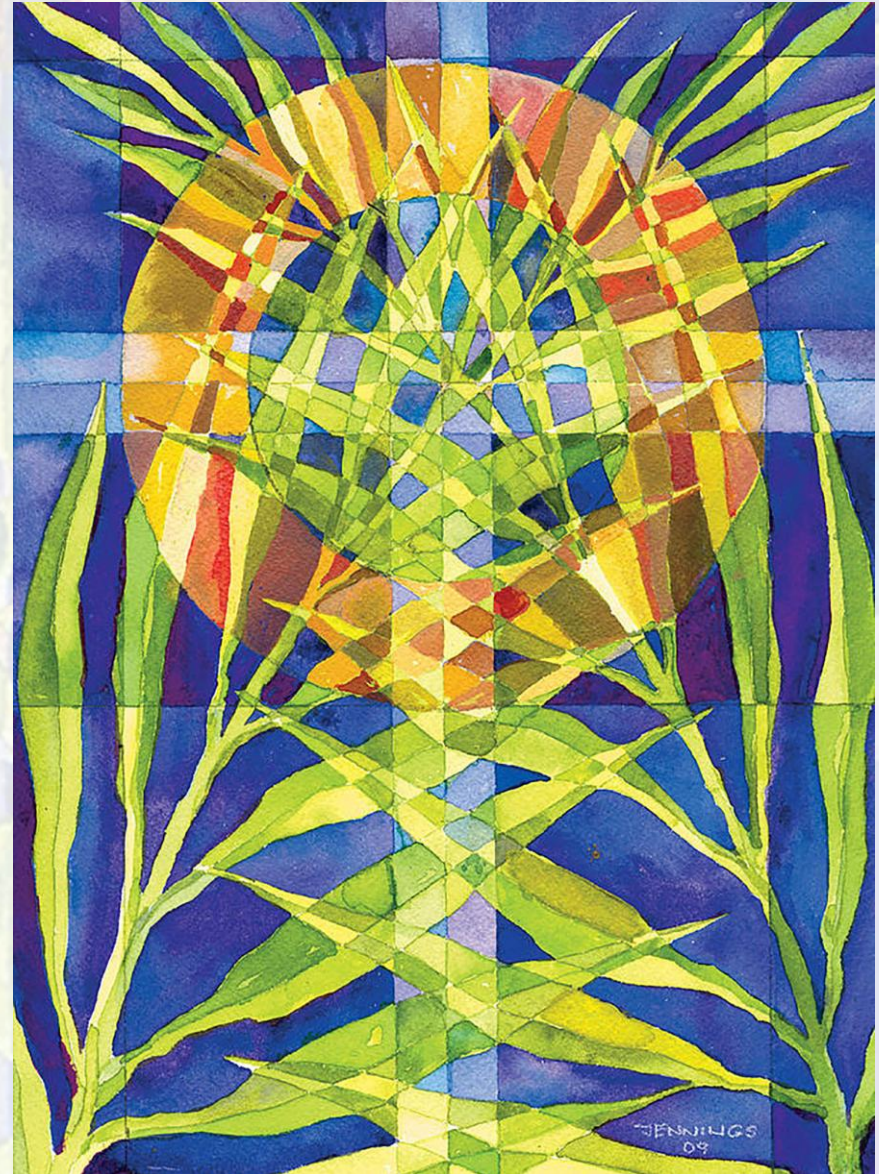


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