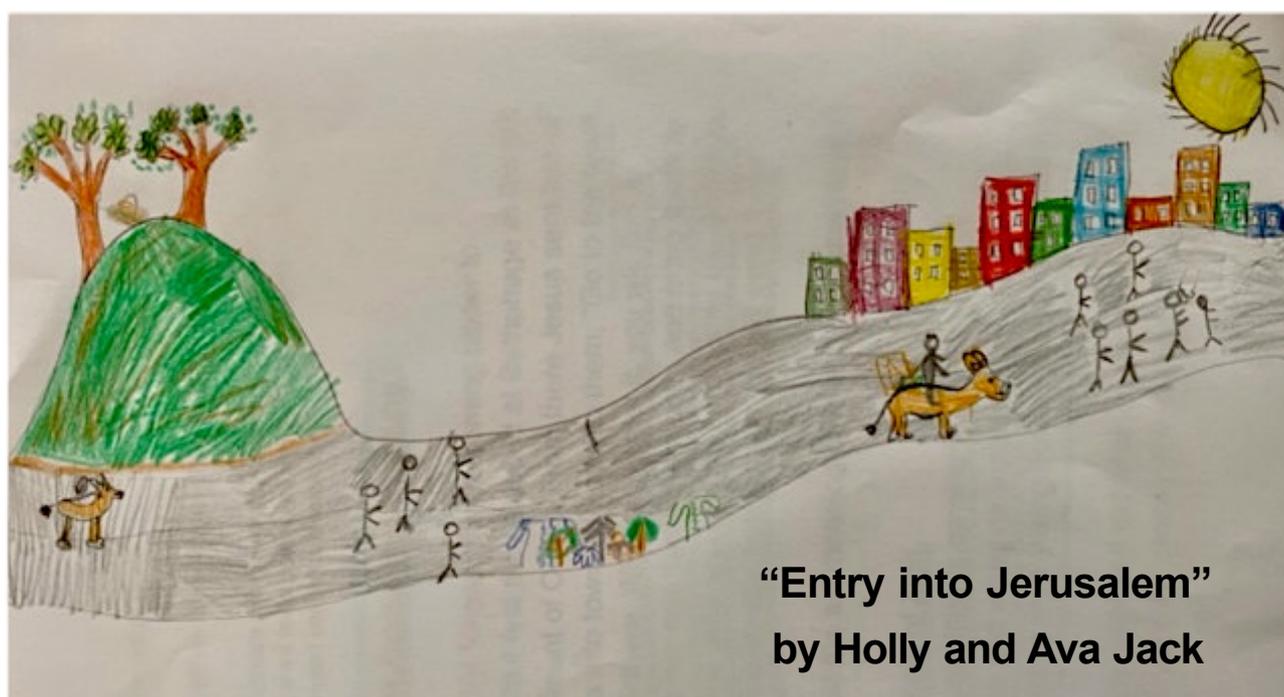


St Mary's Church, Tadley

Sunday 29th March, 2020

Palm Sunday



"Entry into Jerusalem"
by Holly and Ava Jack

Collect

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen

Welcome

It has been good to speak to many of you this week and to hear how you are supporting each other by phone calls and acts of kindness. Please don't hesitate to call me if you need any form of support and our ministry team will help out. Steve and I are touched by how you care for us and our family - thank you.

We think of those with special days in April; among others, Evelyn had a birthday on April 1, and Mary and Tony celebrate their wedding anniversary this weekend. Many of these occasions are tinged with sadness for plans made and unfulfilled and we ask for grace to celebrate creatively and look forward to future possibilities.

Today, we join with our benefice churches to hear a sermon from Rev Rob Young from St Mary the Virgin in Silchester. Thank you Rob.

As we focus our hearts on God in worship, joined in our love for God and each other, we pray:

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour, and
to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.
In this time of anxiety, give us strength to
comfort the fearful, to tend the sick, and
to assure the isolated
of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake.
Amen.

Had we been in church today, we would have listened to the whole of the **Passion Narrative from Matthew's Gospel**, and you may wish to read it yourselves later in your own Bibles (Matthew 26. 14 -27.54). If you are able to connect to the internet, however, you'll enjoy the story retold by members of the St Mary's family. Thank you to all who participated!

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