

Messy Church

Palm Sunday

This is a DIY Messy Church to replace the cancelled session on Saturday the 4th April; the day before Palm Sunday, which is part of the Easter story.

As a family watch this short animation about Palm Sunday

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

You can talk about how we can thank Jesus for blessing all the doctors, nurses, carers and all the people who are caring for those who are unwell at the moment.

Perhaps you would like to say thank you to someone you know who is being brave this weekend, why don't you make some Easter cards to pop through your neighbours letter boxes to show them that you care about them. You can be as creative as you want.

You can recreate the story in the animation by making some palm leaves and a donkey (see below)

Here are a couple of songs you can all sing along with, why not make some instruments out of pots and pans and wooden spoons.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f50UKvfhku4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTW5WCY37zU>

A prayer for Palm Sunday

Loving God

Give us joy in our hearts as we shout Hosanna

Welcoming Jesus our King with palms

Celebrating all that we hope for as the Easter story unfolds

Then as the story of Jesus turns to Good Friday, help us know that you are with us when celebrations turn to sadness.

Give us the faith we need to follow you on the way of the cross that leads to life.

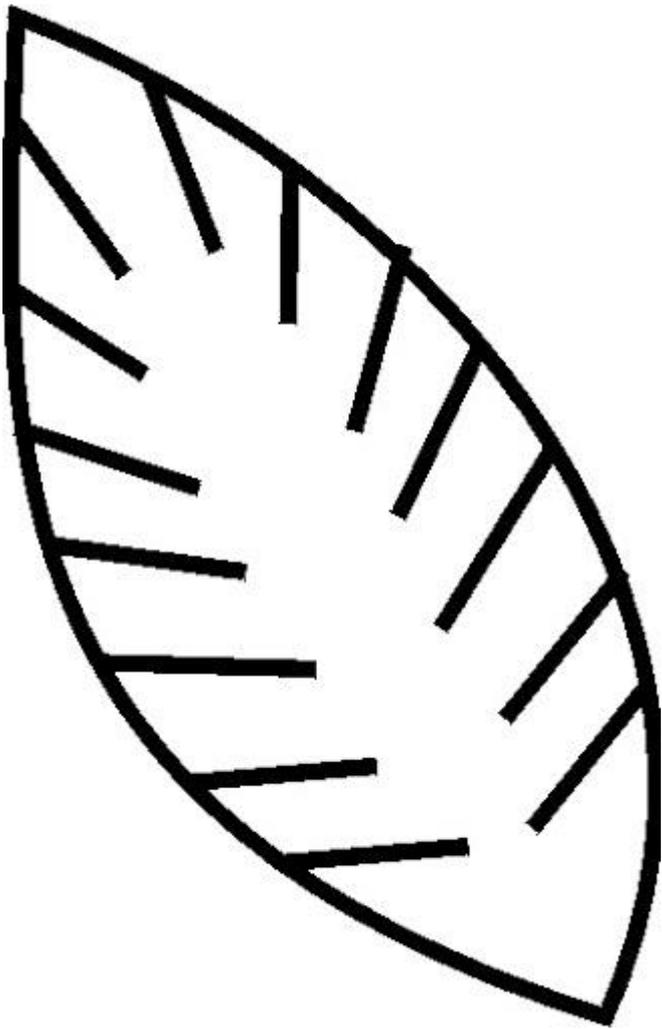
Amen



You can read the story of Palm Sunday in a bible, see Matthew 21

The Messy Church Team wishes you all a Happy & Healthy Easter

Make your own palm leaves either out of green paper or white paper and colour them in, you can copy the picture below or make your own palm leaf shapes by tracing around your hands. If you can find a stick in your garden you could attach it to your palm leaf.



Make a stand up Donkey

Use the picture below, then, replace the legs with a wood clothes peg at the front and one at the back to make your donkey stand up.

