St Edmundsbury Cathedral

Junior Church Online!
Sunday, 5th April 2020

You can use this service in your home at any time.
If you would like to join-in live online at 10am on Sunday 5th April, please contact: curate@stedscathedral.org
You might like to have with you:
- a tealight or candle… a battery operated one is good for safety!
- simple craft supplies paper, pens, crayons, scissors, glue stick, cardboard tubes
- a cushion to sit on for our story and prayers
- a print out of the craft resources sheet for this session from the Cathedral website: https://stedscathedral.org/worship/childrens-resource

To the tune 'Here we go round the mulberry bush'.

All   **Welcome to our sacred space**
Welcome to our sacred space
Welcome to our sacred space
It's good to be together!

Here we welcome *N*
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It's good to be together!

The leader welcomes everyone and a candle is lit.

Why do we light this candle?
the children take turns to explain in their own words

We get ready to hear our Bible Story by singing to the tune 'Michael, row the boat ashore'.

All   **Jesus, open up my eyes, mmm! (Alleluia!)**
Jesus, open up my lips, mmm! (Alleluia!)
Jesus, open up my heart, mmm! (Alleluia!)
Jesus, help me hear your voice, mmm! (Alleluia!)

Today's Bible Story tells us about Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. It is the story of Palm Sunday. We will hear the story: you could watch the video at home, if you like? https://stedscathedral.org/worship/childrens-resources/

We sing our prayers to the tune of 'He's got the whole world in His hands'.

All　　　　**For the world and all the people:**
hear our prayer.
For all Christians in all places:
hear our prayer.
For the places that we live in:
hear our prayer.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the lonely:
hear our prayer.
For our friends and our fam'ly:
hear our prayer.

For me and my life:
hear our prayer.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

Jesus, take our prayers:
hear our prayer.
Jesus, make them holy:
hear our prayer.
Jesus, make them lovely:
hear our prayer.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

We begin our creative response to today's story! Use whatever you have at home… lego, paper, cotton wool…. do as much as you can now. If you run out of time, don't worry… you can finish another time. Please email a picture of your creation to curate@stedscathedral.org so that it can be shared with the Cathedral community!

After we have spent some time doing our crafts and chatting, we will gather together for our closing prayers, just as we would if we were meeting in the Discovery Centre at the Cathedral!

We sing to the tune of 'Sing Hosanna'.

There's a man riding in on a donkey,
there's a man and they say he's king!
And the palm leaves are waving a welcome
and the voices of the people sing:

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!
Sing Hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!
Sing Hosanna to the King!

Why a king riding in on a donkey?
Why a king wearing no fine crown?
Where the drums? Where the high-sounding cymbals?
If a king is riding into town?

Hear the voice of the King on a donkey!
Hear the joy of the news he brings!
He is Jesus, the Son of the Highest.
He is Jesus and the King of kings!

The Lord be with you
All   **and also with you.**

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

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

Question	Why is it right to give thanks and praise?
Answer	**Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

You give us happy times
and things to celebrate.
In these we taste your kingdom,
a feast for all your children.

Question	Why do we share bread and wine?
Answer	**Listen, and we will hear.**

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

Question	How do we pray?
Answer	**We pray as Jesus has taught us**

| **All** | **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. |
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The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All	**And also with you.**

This week, why not revisit the story and think about it again by visiting: https://stedscathedral.org/worship/childrens-resource/