Lord Jesus, exalted above all others We bring you our praise from the depths of our being. For you, though being in very nature God, took on human likeness and the nature of a servant even becoming obedient to death on a cross. We confess that you are Lord, exalted above all others, we come before you as our king, our great redeemer and the one in whom we trust. Praise be to your name. Hallelujah.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Lord Jesus, you did not enter Jerusalem on that Palm Sunday as a king mighty in battle but humbly as the prince of peace, we pray your kingdom come. We pray that those with power will seek peace, justice and support to all peoples among the nations. Give wisdom to those negotiating peace. We see in several nations what happens when lawlessness takes hold. We pray that leaders will emerge who will have the power to quell the violence and the aim of bringing peace and stability that the people long for. We pray for our own members of parliament that they would be given wisdom and courage to argue for laws and policies which support a just, compassionate and equitable society.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Lord, we give thanks for all who give of their time and effort to serve this church. We pray that they would be filled with joy and encouragement. Confident in the knowledge that they are serving you as this church looks for the extension of your kingdom in this town, demonstrating your love and compassion for all.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We name before you now, all those who we know are in need of healing. We ask that you would bring them comfort in their time of suffering, healing for their illness and a peace beyond their understanding. We know that you can reach the deepest part of our being to be transformative physically and mentally. Bring healing to them we pray in the name of Jesus.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

As we approach Easter, in a digital world full of competing messages and mis-information, we pray that your church would be confident to proclaim loudly the amazing message of your sacrifice and resurrection.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Almighty God so great, majestic, awesome and holy, beyond our comprehension, thank you that because of the courage and humility of Jesus entering Jerusalem in the knowledge of what was to come, we can come into your presence, our father in heaven, confident that you hear our prayers.

Merciful father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son our saviour Jesus Christ.