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The theme this month in Sunday School is 'New Life in Christ' - we are learning about Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem and how Jesus brings new life to all.

Here are some activities you could do together with your family. Have fun!

YEAR 2 UNIT 8: NEW LIFE IN CHRIST LESSON 1: PALM SUNDAY

READ



BIBLE BLAST

Today's lesson is Palm Sunday where Jesus began his last week on Earth riding into Jerusalem on a donkey! This is a very important event and is mentioned in all 4 Gospels.

It is found in **Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44 and John 12:12-17**

Read the passage/s together.

choose a Bible translation or children's story version which best suits your family

or watch the Youtube video below.

On Palm Sunday we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry - this is the saviour of the world, the Messiah and it marks the week before Jesus' death & resurrection. This event is particularly important because it is one of the few times that Jesus' glory is recognised on Earth. His entrance into Jerusalem fulfilled the prophecies in Isaiah 62 and Zephaniah 9:9. These would have been well-known to the Jews and would have marked Jesus as the coming King and Messiah. Jesus did not enter Jerusalem in the way we would expect of a king, instead he enters on a donkey. He shows humbleness, meekness and poverty in this action. In complete contrast, it is his peace and humility that mark him as the Messiah.



Palm Prayers

Use the Palm twister
(See the craft idea)

Use the Palm Twister to wave and shout **'Hosanna!'**

Lord Jesus, on Palm Sunday you rode into Jerusalem as King. **'Hosanna!'**

Remind us to keep you as King of our lives. **'Hosanna!'**

You rode on a donkey, **'Hosanna!'**

Remind us of your humility and keep us from being proud or boastful. **'Hosanna!'**

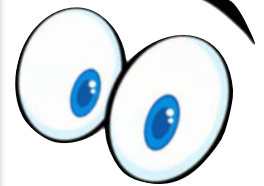
Remind us that we need you as our Saviour. **'Hosanna!'**

The people spread palm branches and coats in front of you, **'Hosanna!'**

Remind us to lay our lives before you. **'Hosanna!'** Amen



WATCH



Watch on YouTube
[The triumphal entry Palm Sunday Saddleback](#)

Go for a walk and make a Palm Sunday collage

In your garden or on your daily walk why not collect some leaves, sticks and other natural materials to make into a Palm Sunday parade picture. Talk about it and think about what the story means to us today.



Memory Verse

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE
to learn 2 Corinthians 5:17 in Makaton
(a Signs & Symbols language)
Find it on our YouTube channel
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*‘Therefore, if anyone is
in Christ, the new creation
has come: The old has gone,
the new is here!’*

2 Corinthians 5:17



What happens when a King or Queen comes to visit? Parades, parties, banquets, celebrations, the King or Queen arrives in a fancy car, sometimes even in a carriage with horses! They wear fancy clothes and sometimes even a crown. Today we are going to be learning about a story where Jesus arrived into Jerusalem and everyone thought he was a king - His triumphal entry. Jesus is God’s son, like a King. He is a very special, very important person. When Jesus arrived into Jerusalem this was Him telling all the people that He was the ‘King’ sent by God to rescue his people. Jesus was fulfilling the prophecies that had been spoken about Him, ‘Hail to the King of Israel’, ‘Look your King is coming to you. He is humble, riding on a donkey’. [*Zechariah 9:9*]

A prophecy is a prediction of something that will happen in the future and, in the Old Testament of the Bible, many of God’s prophets spoke about a ‘coming King’ and the ‘Saviour of the world’. This was fulfilled through Jesus! If you were King, you did not ride a donkey! But Jesus wanted to show the people, that He was a different type of king. He was not interested in having lots of money



Age 5-7
How did Jesus come into Jerusalem?
Why was this special?
What did the people shout?
Why were the people so happy?

Age 8-10
Why did Jesus ride into Jerusalem on a donkey?
Why did the people get so excited seeing Jesus?
How can we celebrate Jesus in our lives?

or showing off how great He was, He wanted to show that He was humble and coming in peace. Even though the people were so excited when Jesus arrived, they didn’t understand that Jesus wasn’t a King who would fight lots of wars to save them. Many didn’t know that Jesus was going to save them by dying for them. The people got cross with Jesus for not doing what they wanted and only a week later these same people would shout **‘CRUCIFY HIM!’**.



Palm Flag Twister

You will need: Palm Flags templates. (Cut out for little ones.)
Colouring pencils, crayons or felt tips, scissors, glue, sellotape,
straws or wooden stick/pencil/branch.

1. Colour in the palm leaf and the ‘Hosanna’.
2. Cut out the rectangle with the palm leaf and the ‘Hosanna’ and fold along the dotted line.
3. Open the rectangle up again and place the picture side down and Sellotape a straw on. Close together and glue the edges together.

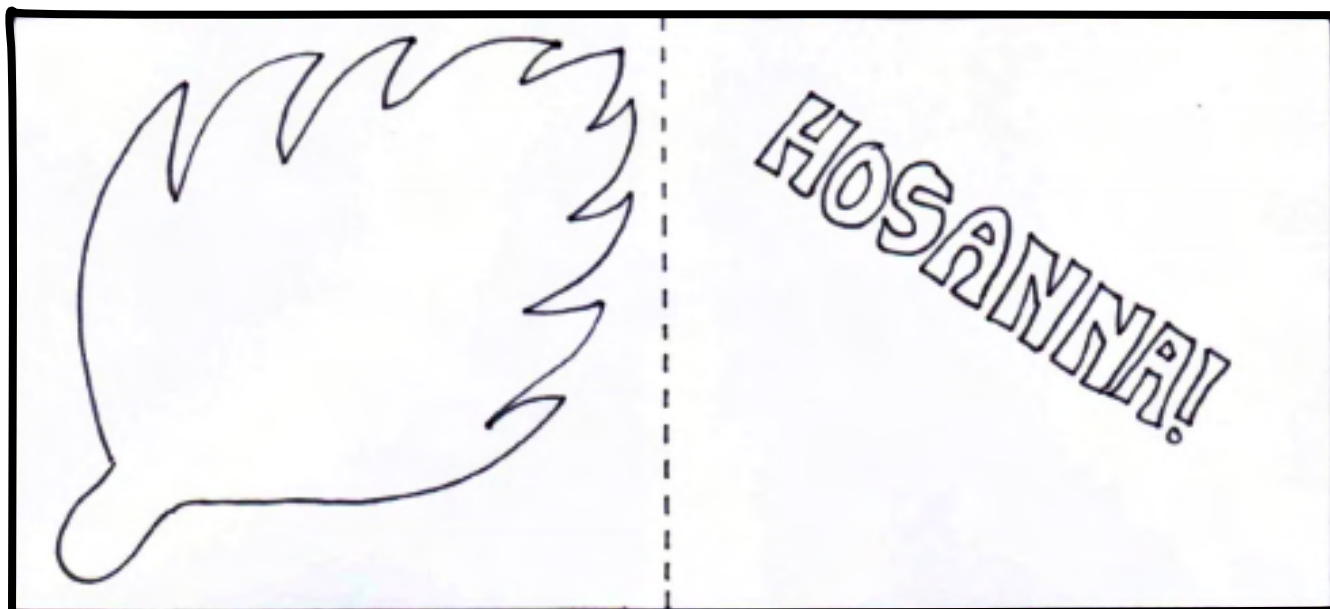
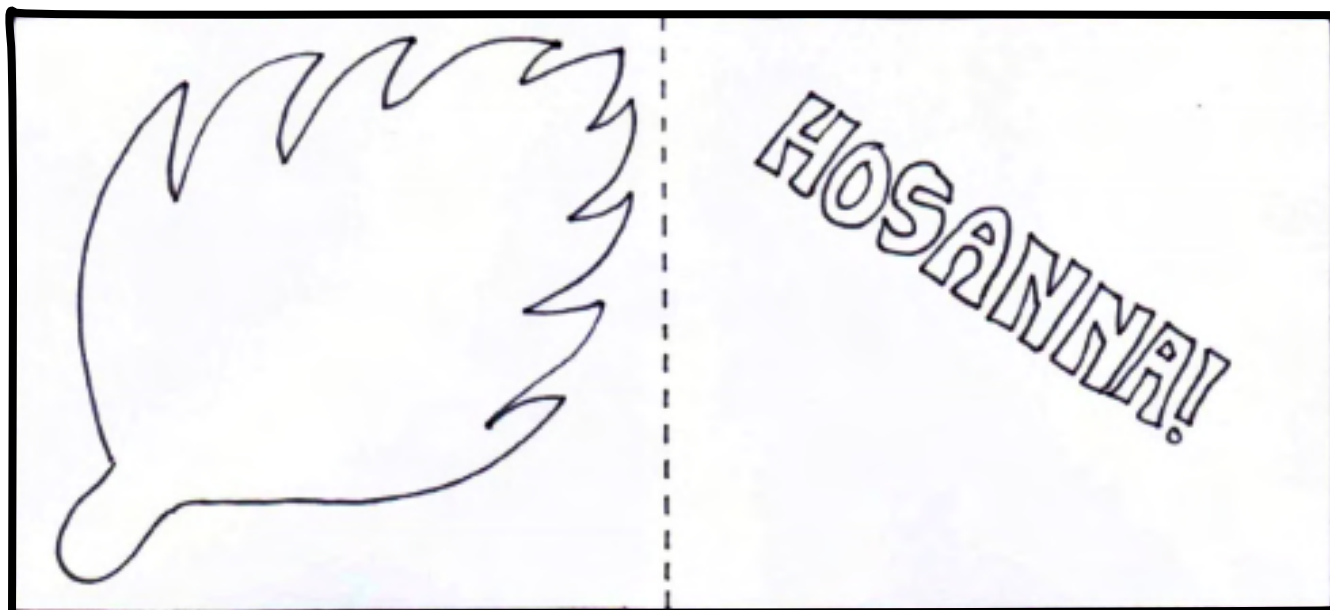


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Palm Flag Twister Template

Photocopy onto card preferably and cut out.

Or draw out onto card.



PALM SUNDAY

REFLECTIVE COLOURING IN PAGE.

