

# Crossword Puzzle

## Nurturing Faith... Every Day in Every Way



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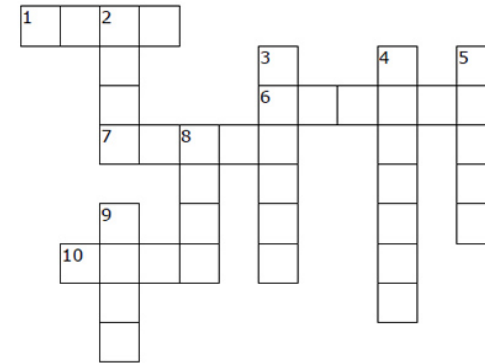
Luke 19:28-40  
Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Luke 22:14-23:56



### Palm Sunday

There is hardly anything that is more fun and exciting than a parade. Have you ever been to a parade? What was your favorite part? Sometimes a parade is part of a really big celebration. There was a parade that took place in the city of Jerusalem about 2000 years ago. Jesus and his followers were traveling to the city of Jerusalem. The city was going to have a big celebration called Passover that would last for a whole week. Well, as they were traveling, they came to a place called the Mount of Olives. They stopped there and Jesus gave his disciples some special instructions. "Go into that village over there," he told them. "As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying that donkey?' just say, 'The Lord needs it.'" So, the disciples went and found the young donkey, just as Jesus had told them they would. And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owner asked them, "Why are you untying that donkey?" They simply answered, "The Lord needs it." The disciples took the young donkey to Jesus and they put coats on its back so that Jesus would have a nice, soft seat as he rode it into town. Word spread quickly through the town that Jesus was coming. He had become quite famous because people had heard about his healing the sick and even raising the dead. As Jesus entered the town, a large crowd had gathered. People began to throw their coats on the road in front of Jesus. They cut branches from the palm trees and waved them and they began to shout, "Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord." But as exciting as all this was, the people really did not know who Jesus was. They thought he was going to set up an earthly kingdom and that he would do great things for them here on earth. They did not understand that his kingdom was in heaven. The Good News today is that Jesus is King. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Today we are here to praise him and we shout, "Hosanna!" Do you know what that word means? It means "Save now!" That is why we shout hosanna, because Jesus saves -- Jesus alone.

Loving God, you sent your son Jesus to save us and today we wave our palm branches in remembrance. Help us to always remember how much Jesus loves us and to share that love with the rest of the world. Amen.



#### ACROSS

- A male ruler of a country
- To express admiration or approval of something or someone
- To go into a place
- A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals; a street or highway

#### DOWN

- What a person is called
- To stretch out over a large area
- A small town
- The Son of God
- Secured with a piece of rope
- A young animal of the horse family; especially one under one year

PRAISE	ROAD	TIED	JESUS	COLT
ENTER	SPREAD	VILLAGE	KING	NAME

**Activity:** There are plenty of youtube videos that show how to make crosses out of palm fronds, this would be great to do as a family as we journey together into holy week. An alternative, put your palm in a vase and place it in a prominent place to remember that Jesus is the one who came to save us all.

**Discussion Question :** I love a good parade! It's so exciting to see all of the floats and especially the marching bands! Today, we celebrate a parade that happened 2019 years ago and give thanks that Jesus came to us. In what ways can we celebrate Jesus every day?

#### Family Table Prayer for April:

God of rain and God of Spring,  
Thank you for the gifts you bring  
To our table that we may be  
Fed by your hands so graciously. Amen.

**April Memory Verse:** Psalm 150:6 – Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

# Coloring Page



The Triumphal Entry