

A Psalm for Palm Sunday

Background

I'd been asked to lead the worship service at Calne Community Church on 1st April 2012 and suddenly realised that it was Palm Sunday. How was I going to handle it (I didn't have a donkey handy). As I prayed about it, these words started flowing.

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The King rode into the magnificent city,
Not on a mighty stallion but astride a young donkey.
There should be a standard bearer declaring his majesty,
Instead the people are waving branches from common palm trees.

He should be leading a powerful and triumphant army
But this King only has a dozen tired and dusty friends.
A celebration should follow his arrival
But this King can only expect a trial and an execution.

Yet after death will come a great victory,
A victory that is complete and eternal,
A victory in which we all can share,
Won by the risen King of Heaven!

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