



PALM SUNDAY SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022 AT 11:15 A.M.

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

We are in the heart of downtown Toronto and we gather to celebrate on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Our beautiful building connects us to the rich heritage of our city while also drawing us deeper into the roots of our Anglican tradition. Just as the streetscape around us has evolved over the years, our members have changed to reflect the growing, vibrant and progressive Christian community found at the Redeemer today.

We come from a variety of faith traditions (and sometimes no faith tradition at all), and we like it that way. We are students, workers, retired, homeless, not limited by sexual orientation, gender identity or personal history. We are at the very beginning of our life with Jesus and we are deeply steeped in a life complicated by faith. We open our doors to worship God and to learn about Jesus, and how all of this might just transform our lives.

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Please pick up a palm branch as we gather together. Additional palms are available at the back of the church.

▼ The Gathering

Priest: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna in the highest!

Priest: Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing

for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery.

On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph.

The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise,

but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering, and death.

Today we greet him as our King,

although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross.

We follow him this week from the glory of the palms

to the glory of the resurrection

by way of the dark road of suffering and death.

United with him in his suffering on the cross,

may we share his resurrection and new life.

A moment of silence is observed

Priest: Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help,

Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy

into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing of the Palms

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right to praise you, almighty God,

for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us

through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Hebrews acclaimed Jesus as Messiah and King,

with palm branches in their hands, crying,

Hosanna in the highest.

May we also, carrying these emblems, go forth to meet Christ

and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life;

who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

▼ The Procession

Priest: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna in the highest!

Palm Sunday Proclamation: "Hosanna in the Highest" (Rob Teehan)



- san -na! Ho -san -na! Ho -san -na to our God!

When the procession moves down the centre aisle, please join the parade. Once the chancel party enters the chancel, please return to your seats.

Priest: Humble and riding on a donkey,

All: we greet you.

Priest: Acclaimed by crowds and carolled by children,

All: we cheer you.

Priest: Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

All: we salute you, Christ our Lord.

Priest: Let us pray,

You give the beasts of burden a new dignity;

you give majesty a new face;

you give those who long for redemption a new song to sing.

All: With them, with heart and voice, we shout "Hosanna!"

▼ The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Reader: The word of the Lord.

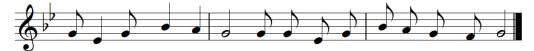
Isaiah 50.4-9a

People: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 24 (Peter Hallock)

Refrain



Lift up your heads, O gates; and the King of glo-ry shall come in.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein.

For it is he who founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep. Refrain

"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? and who can stand in his holy place?"
"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,

who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud. Refrain

They shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
Such is the generation of those who seek him, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. Refrain

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Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Philippians 2.5-11

People: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Hymn: "When They Heard That Jesus Was Coming"



- 1. When they heard that Je sus was com-ing, Sing ho-san-na to the cho-sen one!
- 2. Spread their cloaks and branch es be fore him,
- 3. Guid ing cloud and pil lar of fire,
- 4. Word of God, and first born of peo ple,
- 5. Ri sing sun, the light of the world, 6. Friend in death, who wakes us to new life.



meet him. Sing ho-san-na to the cho-sen one! All the peo-ple went out to Chil-dren sang with palm branch-es wav - ing. Sa - tan's foe and friend of the sin - ner. Prom-ise kept, the crown of cre - a - tion. Word of life, who gives your Spir - it. us glad ho - san - nas. Friend in life, we sing



WORDS and MUSIC: Rory Cooney, 1999.

Sing ho-san-na, sing ho-san-na to the cho-sen one!

The Gospel

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 19.28-40

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Exhortation: Andrew Kuhl

Please be seated

A moment of silence is observed

The Prayers of the People

Please rise, as you are able



Leader: Lord Jesus Christ,

...over the broken glass of our world,

the rumours meant to hurt,

the prejudice meant to wound,

the weapons meant to kill, ride on...

trampling our attempts at disaster into dust. Ride on,

All: Ride on...

Leader: ...over the distance,

which separates us from you,

and it is such a distance,

measurable in half truths,

in unkept promises,

in second-best obedience, ride on...

until you touch and heal us.

who feel for no one but ourselves. Ride on,

All: Ride on...

Leader: ...through back streets,

and the sin bins

and the sniggered-at corners of the city,

Leader: where human life festers

and love runs cold,

ride on...

bringing hope and dignity

where most send scorn and silence. Ride on,

All: Ride on...

Leader: For you, O Christ, do care and must show us how.

On our own,

our ambitions rival your summons,

and thus threaten good faith and neglect God's people.

In your company and at your side,

we might yet help to bandage and heal the wounds of the world.

who feel for no one but ourselves. Ride on,

All: Ride on...

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #181 (Common Praise) "All Glory, Laud, and Honour"

Refrain



All glo-ry, laud, and hon-our to thee, Re-deem-er, King, to whom the lips of



chil-dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring.

Verses



- 1. Thou art the King of Is rael, thou Da vid's roy al Son, who 2. The com pa ny of an gels are prais ing thee on high, and
- 2. The com-pa-ny of an-gels are prais-ing thee on high, and 3. The peo-ple of the He-brews with palms be-fore thee went; our
- 4. To thee be-fore thy Pas-sion they sang their hymns of praise; to
- 5. Thou didst ac cept their prais es; ac cept the prayers we bring, who



in the Lord's name com-est, the King and bless-ed one. we with all cre-a-tion in chor-us make re-ply. praise and prayer and an-thems be-fore thee we pre-sent. thee now high ex-alt-ed our mel-o-dy we raise. in all good de-light-est, thou good and gra-cious King.

TEXT: Theodulph of Orleans (750?-821), tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
MUSIC: Melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635); harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alfred Leslie Rose, SSJE (1890-1970). Desc. © The Society of St. John the Evangelist.

▼ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Leader: Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us pleasing in your sight.Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice, may we receive your love and mercy. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

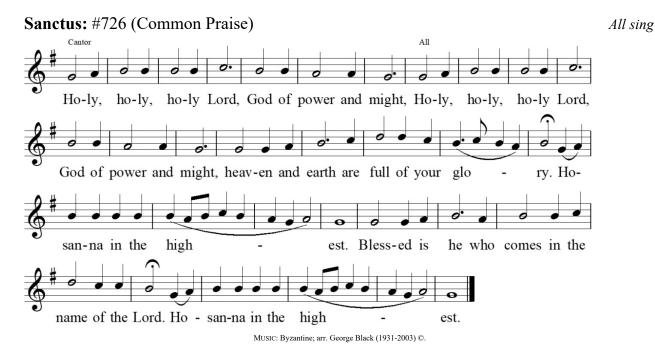


Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord.



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

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life was lost, life has been restored. Therefore, with palm branch in hand we join our voices with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus as we sing.



Priest: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your People; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All: we remember his death; we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Priest: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray. *Priest:*

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Living Bread, broken for the life of the world:

All: Sustain us on our way to your glory.

Fruit of the true Vine, poured out for us and for many: Priest:

Be now the wine that gladdens our hearts. All:

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God. All:

The Giving and Receiving of Communion

Priest: Dear friends,

I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people,

unseen and yet present with us now.

For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion

– not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste –
but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.

There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how.

You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you:

One: Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.

You wait for me and only I can let you in.

I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.

Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood, that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

Song: "Sourp Sourp" (Komitas)

Sourp Sourp *Holy, Holy*

Sourp Dér zoroutyants *Holy Lord of hosts*

Li yényérgink yév yergir pa rok ko Heaven and earth are full of thy glory

Orn nou tyun eepartsouns Blessings in the highest

Orhnyal vor yérgir yév kalotstés an vampdyarn Blessed art thou that didst come and art to come in the name of the Lord

Ovsanna i par tsouns *Hosanna in the highest*

Passion Song: "Deer Song" (Craig Hella Johnson)

Deer Song is a movement out of a larger Passion narrative called Considering Matthew Shepard. Matt was beaten and tied to a fence in rural Wyoming. The first officer on the scene the next morning recounted a deer rising and running away from the site where Matt lay clinging to life. He died several days later in hospital. Craig Hella Johnson composed this Passion using similar musical devices, formats, and narrative arches to those composed by J.S. Bach. The 'cross' is personified in the fence. Today we hear the deer's song of comfort and guidance, preparing Matt for death, as we prepare to journey with Christ towards the cross, and the resurrection.

Deer:

A mist is over the mountain,
The stars in their meadows upon the air,
Your people are waiting below them,
And you know there's a gathering there.
All night I lay there beside you,
I cradled your pain in my care,
We move through creation together,
And we know there's a welcoming there.
Welcome, welcome, sounds the song,
Calling, calling clear;
Always with us, evergreen heart,
Where can we be but there?

Matthew:

I'll find all the love I have longed for.

The home that's been calling my heart so long
So soon I'll be cleansed in those waters,
My fevers forever be gone;
Where else on earth but these waters?
No more, no more to be torn;
My own ones, my dearest, are waiting-And I'll weep to be where I belong.
Welcome, welcome, sounds the song,
Calling, calling clear;
Always with me, evergreen heart,
Where can I be but here?

Prayer after Communion

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: As we enter this Holy Week in the life of the Church,

let us remember that Christ for us became obedient unto death,

All: even death on a cross.

Priest: Therefore God has highly exalted him

and bestowed on him the Name which is above every name,

All: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn: #199 (Common Praise) "Who Would Ever Have Believed It"

All sing

- 1. Who would ev er have be-lieved it? Who could ev er have con-ceived it?
- 2. Like a sap-ling in dry soil, he was root ed in our pres-ence;
- 3. We de-spised him; we dis-owned him, though he clear ly hurt and suf-fered:
- 4. Yet it was the pain and tor ment we de-served which he ac cept ed, 5. Though our sins let him be woun-ded, though our cruel ty left him beat en,
 - 6. We, like sheep des-pite our wis dom, all had wan dered from God's pur-pose;
 - 7. Who would ev er have be-lieved it? Who could have ev er have con-ceived



be - hind it when Who dared trace God's hand ser - vant came a-mong us? beau - ty, grace, and splen-dour, no one felt at - tract - ed was worth-less, nev - er turned our eyes we. be - liev - ing he while we rec-koned his af - flic - tions must have come by heaven's in - struc - tion. suff-ered, God re-vealed our hope vet, through how and why he of heal - ing. due pain and an - ger God let fall and in on one it? Who dared trace God's hand be - hind it when a ser - vant came a - mong

TEXT: The Lord's Servant (Is. 53.3-6); para. Graham Maule (1958-). MUSIC: Melody Scottish trad.; arr. The Iona Community (Scotland).

There is no Dismissal at the end of this, or any other, liturgy in Holy Week. For we have not been dismissed; nor shall we be until God has finished working our redemption for us.

HOLY WEEK AT REDEEMER

Sunday, April 10, 7:00 PM – Bach Vespers featuring Dietrich Buxtehude's "Membra Jesu Nostri"

Monday to Wednesday, April 11 to 13, 12:15 PM & 6:00 PM – Mid-Week services

Holy Eucharist (except Wednesday at 6:00 PM: A Service of Darkness)

Monday to Wednesday, April 11 to 13, 11:14 AM & 5:15 PM – Private Confession

Wednesday, April 13, 6:00 PM – Service of Darkness

Thursday, April 14, 7:30 PM – Maundy Thursday service

Friday, April 15, 9:30 AM & 12:00 PM – Good Friday services

Dramatic Liturgy for All Ages followed by Mass of the Pre-Sanctified

Saturday, April 16, 9:00 PM – Holy Saturday service

Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 17, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM – Easter Day services

Faith Formation

As we enter Holy Week, Children, Youth and Families are encouraged to worship together and participate fully throughout Holy Week. As such we will not have our regular programming for Church School, Youth Group, and PJ Prayers during Holy week. See the Holy Week schedule for times for these services. We invite you to join the 9:30 AM service for Good Friday as it will be an interactive liturgy with families in mind. Please contact Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca) if you have any questions!

Worship and Spirituality

During the Week

Private Confession

Part of our soulwork or preparation for the great feast of Easter is the sacrament of reconciliation. One of the clergy will be available to hear confessions on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week. This is offered 45 minutes before each of the days' two celebrations of the Eucharist, at 11:30 AM and 5:15 PM. When you arrive, please have a seat in the east transept in the front row near the ramp. A priest will come to you when available. If you wish another day and time during Holy Week, please speak to either Steven or Susan to arrange.

Mid-day Prayer

Members of our community gather for mid-day prayer **Monday through Saturday** on Zoom at **12:15 PM**. For about 20 minutes we pause to hear scripture read and to pray for what's on our hearts and for the cares and concerns of the world. The Zoom link and list of readings is sent out each week through eNews. The order of service is <u>on our website</u> (theredeemer.ca).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website with a link shared on the Facebook page. This is an invitation to set aside time during the day to read scripture, to reflect and to offer prayers. The order of service for this coming Wednesday will be posted on the website (theredeemer.ca).

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese, and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

On Sunday

Bach Vespers at 7 PM

Bach Vespers returns for Lent and on April 10 at 7:00 PM, it will feature Dietrich Buxtehude's "Membra Jesu Nostri" (translated: "The Limbs of our Jesus") the 15th-century cycle of seven canatas, each one reflecting on a different part of Christ's crucified body: feet, knees, hands, sides, breast, heart, and face. The work is known as the first Lutheran oratorio. Please join us in-person or via the link available in eNews or on the website (theredeemer.ca).

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern. If you have people or situations that you would like but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a **prayer request form** on the website. These will be added in the Zoom chat in the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

In the Community

The Common Table - Laundry Volunteers Needed!

We now have a new resting area every Monday, which has proved to be a huge help to offer folks the space to take a load off comfortably and safely. We use tall and comfortable blow-up beds and real sheets and blankets which are a notable difference from uncomfortable mats on the ground offered in most spaces. To ensure we can continue to offer this cozy space, we need **a few people** to do **a load or two of laundry each week.** The laundry will be bagged and ready to pick up anytime Monday afternoon or later, it just needs to be returned clean and ready to use by Sunday or before. Please let us know if you would be willing to be on the laundry rotation, to ensure we can continue offering this important space of rest for folks! Thanks so much for considering. Please email Kelly if you are interested at:

kbouchard@theredeemer.ca

Support Us

Last year was one where hopes for a return to life as it once was, seemed within reach and still not yet. Through it all, we have worshiped, learned, served and celebrated together. In the midst of on-going uncertainty, there is still much to be grateful for. As the calendar year starts anew, please consider reviewing your financial support of our vital ministry. If your givings need to remain the same or be reduced - thank you for your continuing donations. Your gifts make a difference. If you have the capacity to increase your givings or to give for the first time, we are grateful.

Here are the ways you can offer your financial support:

- update your Pre- Authorized Remittance information or sign up for PAR. There is a form on the church website www.theredeemer.ca/donate
- online through CanadaHelps. There is a link on our website www.theredeemer.ca/donate
- e-transfer. Please contact the treasurer, Richard Heystee, for more information on how to do this.
- by cheque or cash on the collection plate when we gather for worship in the church