



PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.

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Land Acknowledgement

All are encouraged to offer this prayer, acknowledging the lands on which we dwell, before the service begins.

As we begin our journey through Holy Week, we acknowledge with respect that we gather today in many sacred places that were home to those who have been displaced. We recognize that our church dwells on the traditional lands of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Holy One, help us to repent of all that we have done, and to make peace with those whom we have wronged, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

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

Andrew Kuhl

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 musical score is written for voice and piano in a 2/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, using eighth and quarter notes. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, often with a grace note. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na to our God!" The score ends with a triple bar line and repeat dots.

The Collect

Andrew Kuhl

Priest: Let us pray.
 Almighty God,
 whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory,
 may we, walking in the way of the cross,
 find it is for us the way of life;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Reader: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Catherine Emerson

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.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Isaiah 50.4-9a

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 24.1-6 (*George Black*)

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Refrain:



The God of hosts it is who reigns in glo-ry.

The earth is our God's and all that is in it,
the world and all who dwell therein.
For God has founded it upon the seas
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep. **Refrain**

"Who can ascend the hill of the Holy One?"
and who can stand in the 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 Holy One,
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
Such is the generation of those who seek you,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. **Refrain**

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

Catherine Emerson

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Hymn: #182 (Common Praise) "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Redeemer Music Team



1. Ride on, ride on in ma-jes-ty! Hark! all the tribes "Ho - san - na" cry; O
2. Ride on, ride on in ma-jes-ty! In low - ly pomp, ride on to die; O
3. Ride on, ride on in ma-jes-ty! The an - gel - squad - rons of the sky look
4. Ride on, ride on in ma-jes-ty! Thy last and fierc - est strife is nigh: the
5. Ride on, ride on in ma-jes-ty! In low - ly pomp, ride on to die; bow



Sav - iour meek, pur - sue thy road with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
down with sad and won - dering eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne ex - pects his own a - noint - ed Son.
thy meek head to mor - tal pain; then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Text: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868). Music: WINCHESTER NEW. Melody *Musicalisches Hand-Buch*, Hamburg, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

The Gospel

Steven Mackison

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others

cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 21.1-11

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Exhortation:

Susan Haig

A moment of silence is observed

Meditation

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The Prayers of the People

Abigail Young

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, ride on, in majesty.**

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, ride on, in majesty.**

Leader: ...through back streets,
and the sin bins
and the sniggered-at corners of the city,
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, ride on, in majesty.

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, ride on, in majesty.

A time of reflection follows where all may add their prayers aloud or in silence. The Priest then offers a concluding prayer.

The Peace

Andrew Kuhl

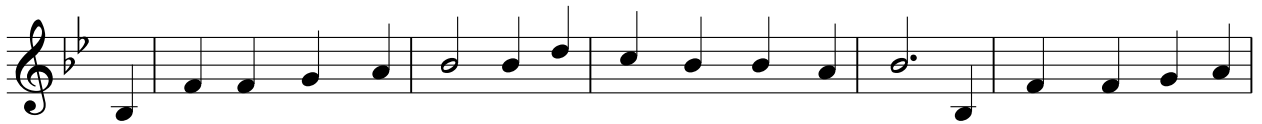
Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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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.



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
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 Lord's Prayer

Andrew Kuhl

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

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 Giving and Receiving of Communion

Andrew Kuhl

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.

The Doxology

Andrew Kuhl

Priest: Glory to God,

All: **whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Closing Hymn: #556 (Gather) "Canticle of the Turning"

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1. My soul cries out with a joy-ful shout that the God of my heart is
2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in
3. From the halls of power to the for-tress tower, not a stone will be left on
4. Though the na-tions rage from age to age we re-mem-ber who holds us



great, And my spir-it sings of the won-drous things that you
me, And your mer-cy will last from the depths of the past to the
stone. Let the king be-ware for your jus-tice tears ev-'ry
fast: God's mer-cy must de-liv-er us from the



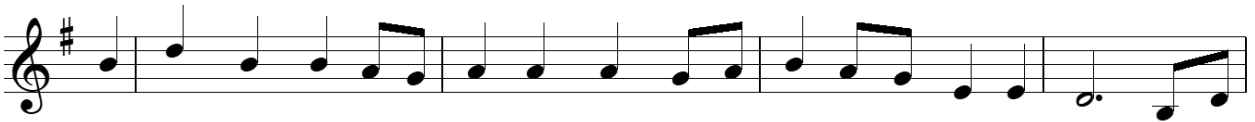
bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your
end of the age to be. Your ver-y name puts the
ty-rant from his throne. The hun-gry poor shall
con-quer-or's crush-ing grasp. This sav-ing word that our



ser-vant's plight, and my weak-ness you did not spurn, So from
proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, You will
weep no more, for the food they can nev-er earn; There are
fore-bears heard is the prom-ise which holds us bound, 'Til the



east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be a-bout to turn?
show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is a-bout to turn.
ta-bles spread, ev-'ry mouth be fed, for the world is a-bout to turn.
spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turn-ing the world a-round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn. Wipe a-



way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn!

TEXT: Luke 1:46-58; Rory Cooney, b.1952. MUSIC: STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN; Irish traditional; arr. by Rory Cooney, b.1952. © 1990, GIA Publications

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.

Our thanks go out to all who contribute financially to the Redeemer community. Our ability to continue to offer outreach support through the Common Table and maintain our rich and varied worship and program life is possible thanks to the generous donations of parishioners and friends of the community. For health and safety reasons, we would appreciate your donations via the "Online Donation" link below, where you will be redirected to the gifts section of our Website. Thank you for your generosity.

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Ministry Updates

Mask-wearing

The diocese is strongly recommending as much as possible that we all wear a mask when in indoor settings, including our church building.

The Rev'd Susan Haig

On Sunday, March 26, it was announced that our associate priest, The Rev'd Susan Haig will be retiring. Her last Sunday with us is Pentecost - May 28. While Susan won't be with us in all the ways that she has been over the past few years, later this year, she will join the ranks of our honorary assistants.

We will celebrate Susan's ministry in the weeks to come and wish her a blessed retirement.

The Rev'd Andrew Kuhl

It was announced on Sunday, March 19 that our assistant curate, The Rev'd Andrew Kuhl has been appointed as the next incumbent at the **parish of Craighurst and Midhurst**. Andrew's last Sunday with us will be April 30 and we will celebrate his time in our midst!

Assistant Curate Appointed

The Venerable Steven Mackison is pleased to announce that Paige Souter will be joining the pastoral team on May 7 as our next assistant curate. Paige will be ordained a transitional deacon on April 30 at St James Cathedral. Please hold Paige in your prayers as she prepares for her ordination day. Welcome, Paige.

Doug Smith to be Ordained

Doug Smith, who was a member of our parish community until postulancy requirements took him to other places to serve will be ordained a transitional deacon on Sunday, April 30 at 4:30 PM at St James' Cathedral. Please hold Doug in your prayers as he prepares for his ordination day.

Flowers for Easter

If you would like to contribute towards the flowers and decorations for Easter, please mark your donation "Easter Flowers" and include any memorial information you would like mentioned in the Easter bulletins. Memorial details may also be sent by email to the church office (office@theredeemer.ca). The deadline for these dedications is **Tuesday, April 4**.

Worship and Spirituality

During Holy Week

Ministry of Confession and Absolution

During Holy Week, our pastoral staff are available to offer the ministry of confession and absolution. This rite invites people to reflect and name their personal sins and to receive and hear the grace of God in forgiveness.

To schedule a time, please contact: Steven (smackison@theredeemer.ca), Susan (shaig@theredeemer.ca), or Andrew (akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

Catechesis 2023

The catechumens, sponsors, and leaders are continuing their pilgrimage to the Easter Vigil, let us pray for them - and for each other. We remember our catechesis group by name: Ann, Celine, Elisa, James, Jerry, Maureen, Pearl, Sandi, Scott, Stewart, and Wesley; Erika, Georgi, Jonathan, Judy, Paul, Peter, Richard, and Susan; Andrew and Craig.

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 or the Youth Group 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!

Palm Sunday Procession

Weather permitting all who are able to are invited to gather at Taddle Creek Park for the blessing of the palms and a procession along Bloor Street. Further details were in Friday's eNews including where to find the park. Those who choose to stay at the church will welcome and join the procession there.

Bach Vespers

Tonight at 7 PM - Featuring Cantata No. 72 *Alles nur nach Gottes Willen* (All things according to God's will). Our Bach Vespers series explores the music and poetry of a Bach cantata woven into a Vespers service that draws on rich Lutheran hymnody and traditions.

Easter Vigil Party

After a three-year hiatus, the Easter Vigil Party returns. Following the service on **Saturday, April 8**, we push back the chairs, set up tables laden with food, and continue the Easter celebration. In order for the tables to be laden your help is needed. If you can provide food - sandwiches, fruit or veggie plates, or sweets - please **contact Tony Crosbie by email** (tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca) or at 416-413-9334.

During the Week

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 are sent out each week through eNews.

Tuesday Meditation

Tuesday Meditation with Lilian Junkin gathers for 30 minutes in the chancel at **12:15 PM** for a peaceful mid-week reflection. **Please note that the group will not be meeting in Holy Week (Tuesday, April 4).**

If you have any other questions, please contact Lilian (lilian.n.junkin@gmail.com).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website. 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](http://www.theredeemer.ca) ([thereedeemer.ca](http://www.theredeemer.ca)).

Upcoming Garden Eucharist Dates

Our Garden Eucharists at the home of Karen and Michael Visser are continuing, weather permitting. Please join us for the next one on Saturday April 29 at 2:00 PM.

More information will be forthcoming as the Garden Eucharist Saturday approaches, but we wanted you to mark your calendars now. If you have any questions, please be in touch with Susan Haig (shaig@theredeemer.ca) or Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

On Sunday

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 included but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a [prayer request form](#) on the website (theredeemer.ca). These will be offered silently by one of the priests during the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

Our Common Life

Zoom Coffee and Conversation

After the services, the connection on Zoom will be kept open for a post-service coffee time. We will pause for about five minutes to allow time to grab a cup of coffee, tea or a cool beverage and return for a time of conversation.

Coffee Time at the Church

Coffee and cookies are available **before** the 10:30 service. Why not arrive early for conversation over coffee or tea until 10:20? All who attend worship services in the church building are also invited to linger for a time of conversation and coffee in the narthex – the space at the back of the church – immediately following the service.

Parish Resources

Parish Operations Manager On-Site

Susan Graham Walker, Parish Operations Manager, is on-site most Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 AM to 12 PM. Please don't hesitate to connect by email (sgwalker@theredeemer.ca) or text (647-215-8814).

How Are You Doing?

Our clergy are available to meet with you to talk and for prayer as is helpful to you. You can contact them through the church office (416-922-4948) or by email (Steven Mackison – smackison@theredeemer.ca, Susan Haig – shaig@theredeemer.ca, Andrew Kuhl akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

Pastoral Care Calls

Volunteers from the pastoral care team continue to call members of the Redeemer community to check in with them. Please contact Tony Crosbie (tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca) if you know someone who would benefit from a call from one of the pastoral care team.

HOLY WEEK AT REDEEMER

Palm Sunday (April 2)

9 AM – Liturgy of the Palms (on Zoom only)

10:30 AM – Palm Procession & Sung Eucharist (in the Church and YouTube)

7 PM – Holy Week Bach Vespers (in the Church and on YouTube and Zoom)
Featuring Cantata No. 72 *Alles nur nach Gottes Willen*
(All things according to God's will)

Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week (April 3 & 4)

12:15 PM – Sung Eucharist (in the Church and on YouTube)

6 PM – Sung Eucharist (in the Church and on YouTube and Zoom)

Wednesday of Holy Week (April 5)

12:15 PM – Sung Eucharist (in the Church and on YouTube)

6 PM – Tenebrae – A Service of Darkness (in the Church and on YouTube and Zoom)

Maundy Thursday (April 6)

7:30 PM – Sung Eucharist, Foot-washing, Stripping of the Altar and
Garden Watch (in the Church and on YouTube and Zoom)

Good Friday (April 7)

9:30 AM – Dramatic Liturgy for all ages (in the Church and on YouTube)

12 PM – Veneration of the Cross & Communion (in the Church and on YouTube and
Zoom)

Easter Eve (April 8)

9 PM – The Great Vigil & The First Eucharist of Easter (in the Church and on
YouTube and Zoom)

Easter Sunday (April 9)

9 AM – Easter Celebration (on Zoom only)

10:30 AM – Sung Eucharist (in the Church and on YouTube)