



PALM SUNDAY Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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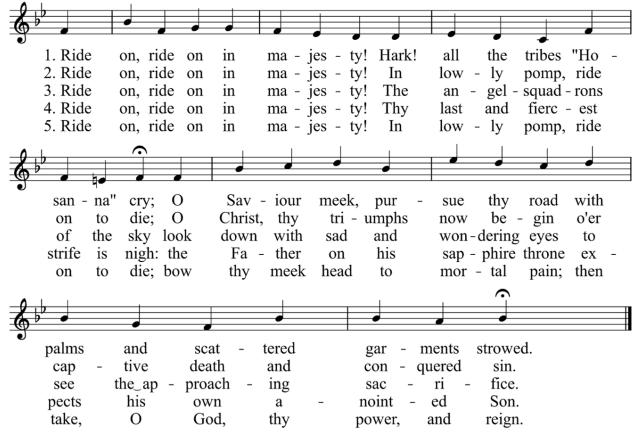
Land Acknowledgement

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: All:	Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!	Steven Mackison
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.	

Palm Sunday Proclamation: #182 (Common Praise) "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" Redeemer Music Team



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

The Collect

Steven Mackison

Heather Bennett

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.

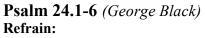
The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those

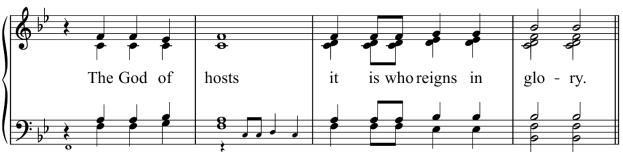
who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore 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

Redeemer Music Team





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.

Heather Bennett

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.All:Thanks be to God.

Philippians 2.5-11 A moment of silence is observed



The Gospel

Paige Souter

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

The Exhortation: Paige Souter

A moment of silence is observed

The Prayers of the People

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,

- Ride on, ride on, in majesty. All
- ... over the distance, Leader: 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. Sylvia Keesmaat

Matthew 21.1-11

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

Steven Mackison

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

People: And also with you.

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

Refrain



Text: Theodulph of Orleans (750?-821), tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: ST. THEODULPH. Melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635)

Steven Mackison

The Lord's Prayer

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

Steven Mackison

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

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. Steven Mackison



Text: Martin Willett. Tune: Martin Willett; acc. by Craig S. Kingsbury, b. 1952 © 1984, OCP 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.

WORSHIP WITH US HOLY WEEK

Sunday March 24 (Palm Sunday) 7:00 PM – Bach Vespers (in the Church and through YouTube) 8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Monday March 25

12:00 PM – Midday Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)
6:00 PM – Taizé Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

Tuesday March 26

12:00 PM – Midday Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)
6:00 PM – Taizé Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

Wednesday March 27

12:00 PM – Midday Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube) 6:00 PM – Service of Darkness (in the Church and through YouTube)

Thursday March 28 (Maundy Thursday)

7:30 PM - Holy Eucharist and Garden Watch (in the Church and through YouTube)

Friday March 29 (Good Friday)

9:30 AM – Liturgy for All Ages (in the Church and through YouTube)12:00 PM - Good Friday (in the Church and through YouTube)

Saturday March 30

9:00 PM – The Great Vigil (in the Church and through YouTube)

Sunday March 31 (Easter Sunday)

9:00 AM – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only) 10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube) 8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)