



Liturgy of the Palms

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

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.

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**

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.

Amen

The Procession

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen!

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Opening Hymn – CP 182 – Ride On Ride on in Majesty

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Hark all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road,
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp, ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
The angel squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh:
the Father on his sapphire throne
expects his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp, ride on to die:
bow thy meek head to mortal pain;
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God of eternal glory, whose servant, Jesus Christ, bore our sins, encouraged the weary, and raised up the fallen: keep before our eyes his passion and resurrection, so that our lives may be signs of his obedience and victory. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our liberator. Amen

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 40.4-9a

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!'
And I said, 'What shall I cry?'
All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.
The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.
Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'

Psalm 118

A Song of Victory

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'
Let the house of Aaron say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'
Let those who fear the Lord say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

Out of my distress I called on the Lord;
the Lord answered me and set me in a broad place.
With the Lord on my side I do not fear.
What can mortals do to me?
The Lord is on my side to help me;
I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in mortals.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes.

All nations surrounded me; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!
They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side;
in the name of the Lord I cut them off!
They surrounded me like bees;

they blazed like a fire of thorns; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!
I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the Lord helped me.
The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'
I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.
The Lord is God, and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures for ever.

Philippians 2.5-11

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.

Gradual Hymn – CP 634 Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Repeat

Matthew 21.1-11

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

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 fulfill 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.'

Response – CP 634 Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Repeat

Sermon: The Reverend Andrea L. Brennan

"Triumphal Entry? I don't think so..."

A New Creed

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.

We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work:

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For all those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Lynne our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For our own needs and those of others.

Offertory Hymn – CP 386 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast,
save in the cross of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

COVID-19 Prayer

Holy and Compassionate God,
You accompany us in the wilderness.
You are present with us in this crisis time in our lives and in the world.
We pray for the people of the Diocese of Kootenay,
For clergy, leaders, parishes, and people.
Strengthen our community.
May your Holy Spirit connect us even in our distance.
May we know you abide with us:
Be our Calm as we face uncertainty and readjust plans and routines.
Be our Rock in rapid change; give us resilience.
Be our Shelter in the whirlwind; hide us under the safety of your loving wings.
Be our Peace; free us from fear.
Be our Strength; replenish us with courage.
Be our Compassion; enliven us to serve those in need.
Into your hands we commend our spirits,
In the name of Jesus, our Healer and Redeemer. Amen

Rt. Rev. Dr. Lynne McNaughton,
Bishop of Kootenay

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to pray,
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Doxology

ONE: Glory to God

**ALL: whose power working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask for imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

ONE: May the God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing
through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Closing Hymn – CP 181 All Glory, Laud and Honour
All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The company of angels are praising thee on high,
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

To thee before thy Passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee now high exalted our melody we raise.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest thou god and gracious King.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Upcoming this Week

Monday 6 April @10:00 am – Stations of the Cross

Tuesday 7 April @ 10:00 am – Tenebrae service of light and shadow

Wednesday 8 April @ 10:00 am – Service of Healing and Reconciliation

Thursday 9 April @ 10:00 am – Maundy Thursday – service of hand-washing

Friday 10 April @ 10:00 am – Good Friday Meditations on the Cross

Saturday 11 April @ 10:00 am – Service of Lamentation

Sunday 12 April @10:00 am – Easter Day!

Wear your favourite Easter hat or bonnet.

Bonus points for bonnets decorated with stuff from home.