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The Sunday of the Passion **with the Liturgy of the Palms** **April 13, 2025 – Holy Eucharist -- 10:30AM**

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford
Lay Reader: Francis Richardson
Organist : Charles Strimas
Server: Lynn McTaggart

Reader: Linda Emptage
Cantor: Francis Richardson
Greeter: Gene Latour



Our Land Acknowledgement

We at Christ Church are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and commit ourselves to the hard work of reconciliation.



Our Mission Statement

Christ Church is committed to live in a generous and loving spirit in all its relationships.

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Welcome & Announcements

*The service begins in the Parish Hall.
Please stand as you are able.*

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: 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.

People: **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Luke 19:28-40

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel Reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: 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.

People: Amen.

THE PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

Palms are distributed to the congregation.

Presider: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The congregation, singing, processes from the parish hall into the nave of the church, following the crucifer, taking their place in a pew.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: All Glory, Laud, and Honour #181

(blue hymn book)

Following verse 3, the procession pauses for prayer.

All Glory, Laud, and Honour #181 – Refrain-verses 4-Ref-5-Ref.

THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Please be seated.

Children’s Talk

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Reader: A reading from the book of Isaiah

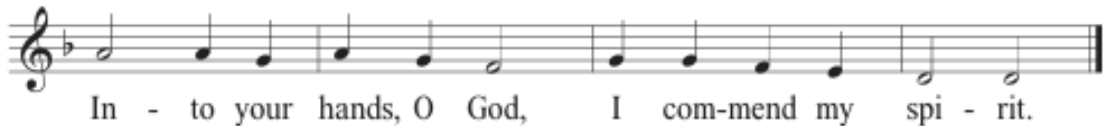
At the end of the reading,

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:9-16

The psalm refrain is sung once by the cantor and is then repeated by the congregation.



- (1) Have mercy on me, O God, for I am in trouble;
- (2) my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- (1) For my life is wasted with grief,
- (2) and my years with sighing;
- (3) my strength fails me because of affliction,
- (4) and my bones are consumed. **R.**

- (1) I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours.
- (2) a dismay to those of my acquaintance;
- (2) when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- (3) I am forgotten as one who is dead;
- (4) I am as useless as a broken pot. **R.**

- (1) For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
- (2) fear is all around;
- (1) they put their heads together against me;
- (2) they plot to take my life.
- (3) But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Most High.
- (4) I have said, "You are my God. **R.**

- (1) My times are in your hand;
- (2) rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- (3) Make your face to shine upon your servant,
- (4) and in your loving-kindness save me." **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

At the end of the reading

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 22:14-23:56

Gospeller: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

At the arrival of Christ at Golgotha, please stand.

A moment of silence will be held at the reading of the death of Christ.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Priest & Rector

Please stand, sit, or kneel, as you're able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Francis Richardson

Lay Reader

Please stand, as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Lay Reader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Lay Reader: Most merciful God,
All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

Remain standing, as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN *As Royal Banners Are Unfurled* #187
Blue hymn book

Remain standing, as you are able.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198, Preface for Holy Week

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: (pg 221) Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,

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Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS (HOLY)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #735 (blue hymn book)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might**

**heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: (BAS, p198) We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;

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Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;

.....

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.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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.

THE BREAKING OF BREAD (Fraction Rite)

THE LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion at God's altar.

If you are not baptized, you are very welcome to come forward to the communion rail for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you are interested in exploring baptism, please speak to the priest after the service.

Gluten free hosts (wafers) are available at the altar rail upon request.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION Fairest Lord Jesus #619

Blue hymn book

Please stand, as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE DOXOLOGY (Said)

All: **Glory to God, 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.**

THE FINAL BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN Ride On, Ride On in Majesty #182

blue hymn book

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

THE POSTLUDE

This Week's Prayer List

(We invite you to hold all on our list in your prayers for the coming week.)

The Diocese: We hold in our prayers the people and clergy of: Church of the Redeemer, Colchester North; St. Stephen's, Oldcastle; St. Mary's/Calvary, Pelee Island; Christ Church, Colchester.

The Wider Church: We hold in our prayers the clergy and people of the Diocese of Jerusalem.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Howie Wheeler, Gladys Williams, Simy Wilton and their families as well as all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Charlie & Marg, Dave, Deanie, Dolores & Irving, Geoff, Fraser, the Howard family, Katharine, Linda, Norma, Rob, Ted, and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact Muriel Armitage, with advance notice if possible, at 519-538-2852.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday April 20, 2025 - The Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Sunday) 10:30am

The readings are: Acts 10:34-43 Or Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24;
1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 Or Luke 24:1-12.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for **Coffee and Fellowship time**, in the Parish Hall, immediately following the service.

Our **Midweek (Said) Eucharist** is offered every Wednesday at 12:00noon in the chapel.

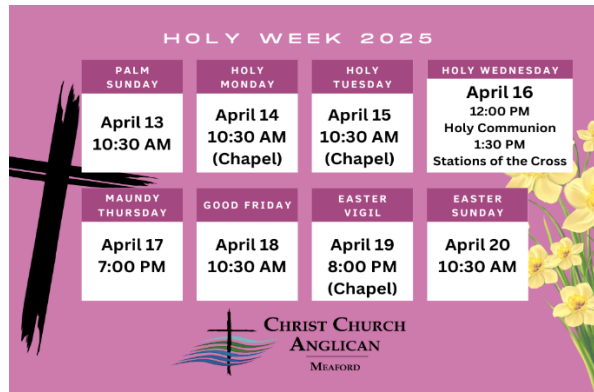
Lenten Study Group on Prayer. **This Wednesday, April 16th at 1:30PM, we will look at the Stations of the Cross** – *a light lunch will be served at 1:00PM.*

PASTORAL CARE: For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at 226-974-5060 or brendonbedford@diohuron.org. Re all other concerns or questions, please contact office@christchurchanglican.ca.

Easter Flowers - In preparation for Easter, we are making plans to decorate the church with spring flowers. We welcome, with gratitude, donations of \$15 for flowers in memory of loved ones or in celebration, **placed by today, April 13th**. You may use the tear-off at the bottom of the bulletin and place it (along with your cash or cheque) on the offering plate. (You may also pay with your debit card using Square at the church office if you prefer.)

Please make sure you provide us with your name(s), the name of the person “in memory of”, a “Happy Easter” or your choice of greeting. See below.

We hope you can join us for some (or all) of these Holy Week services.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knox Bells of Praise, *Journey Through 40 Years of Handbell Music*, is today, Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 2PM at Knox Presbyterian Church. Info: 519-538-5095. See posters.

Sound Investment Choir presents its final seasonal concert, **Sound Waves**, Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 7:30PM at New Life Church, Collingwood. Info: soundinvestmentchoir.ca (or Louis Bernard). See posters on bulletin boards.



Easter Flowers Order form

Name of donor(s) _____

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Amount \$15 x _____ = \$ _____ (total amount)

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