

Order of Service
April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday

Candle-Lighting, Welcome & Announcements

- * Land Acknowledgement
- * Celebrations & Concerns
- * Birthdays & Anniversaries
- * Dedication of the Offering

The Law of God (Exodus 20: 1-17)

God spoke all these words, saying, I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Honour your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's dwelling; you shall not covet your neighbour's spouse, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Silence

Jesus was asked: "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" and he said:

**You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your mind.'**

This is the greatest and first commandment.

**And the second is like it: 'You shall love
your neighbour as yourself.'**

**On these two commandments
hang all the law and the prophets.'**

Opening Prayer (*Together*)

**Beginner of all Journeys,
begin in us again:
take these tired bones and rouse them
to dance your joy from sun-break to sundown.
Help us, O Blessed End,
to shake off our weariness
that we may know New Life in you
and offer it to one another. Amen.**

The Lord's prayer

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.

Hymn Hosanna! Loud Hosanna!

VU 123

1

Hosanna, loud hosanna
the happy children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the joyful anthem rang;
to Jesus, who had blessed them
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.

2

From Olivet they followed
'mid an exultant crowd,
the victory palm branch waving,
and singing clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
content that little children
should on his bidding wait.

3

'Hosanna in the highest!'
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer;
earth, let your anthems ring.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his humble presence
eternally rejoice!

Greeting Christ in all of us - Passing the peace

The ministry of music - Our choir presents...

Children's hymn One more step VU 639

1

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go,
from the old things to the new,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

2

Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me: R

3

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know: R

4

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough,
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you: R

5

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me,
ever old and ever new,

keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

A time for all God's children

Offertory prayer & minute for mission

Today's Reading: Matthew 21: 1-11 (The Message)

When they neared Jerusalem, having arrived at Bethphage on Mount Olives, Jesus sent two disciples with these instructions: "Go over to the village across from you. You'll find a donkey tethered there, her colt with her. Untie her and bring them to me. If anyone asks what you're doing, say, 'The Master needs them!' He will send them with you." This is the full story of what was sketched earlier by the prophet:

*Tell Zion's daughter,
"Look, your king's on his way,
poised and ready, mounted
On a donkey, on a colt,
foal of a pack animal."*

The disciples went and did exactly what Jesus told them to do. They led the donkey and colt out, laid some of their clothes on them, and Jesus mounted. Nearly all the people in the crowd threw their garments down on the road, giving him a royal welcome. Others cut branches from the trees and threw them down as a welcome mat. Crowds went ahead and crowds followed, all of them calling out, "Hosanna to David's son!" "Blessed is he who comes in God's name!" "Hosanna in highest heaven!" As he made his entrance into Jerusalem, the whole city was shaken. Unnerved, people were asking, "What's going on here? Who is this?" The parade crowd answered, "This is the prophet Jesus, the one from Nazareth in Galilee."

May God Bless to our understanding the reading of The Holy Word.

Amen

Hymn O Master let me walk with thee

VU 560

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O Master, let me walk with thee

in lowly paths of service free;
teach me thy secret, help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2

Help me the slow of heart to move
with some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.

3

Teach me thy patience; still with thee,
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sure and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong,

4

in hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.

Sermon Who doesn't love a parade?

Prayers of the people

Benediction & The Grace

Hymn: Onward all Christ's people

Words by our Moderator, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Richard Bott

1.

Onward all Christ's people,
walking on The Way,
living out of God's love
each and every day.
Christ, our guide and teacher,
shows how we're to go
Caring for our friend, our neighbour,
even for our foe!

Refrain:

*Onward all Christ's people,
walking on The Way,
living out of God's love,
each and every day.*

2.

Know tho' there are moments
evil stands its ground;
hate and war and hunger
seemingly abound –
in these times, these places,
we are called to stand,
acting for God's peace and justice,
offering our hand! R

3.

Like one great big family,
moves the church of God;
siblings, we are dancing
where the saints have trod!
Sometimes we're divided,
lost and feel alone,
then Christ's Spirit reconciles us,
unity is shown. R

4.

Onward then, ye people,
join our happy throng,
blend with ours your voices
in this wondrous song:
Glory, laud, and honour
unto Christ the King,
this through countless ages
we, with angels, sing! R

