ORDER FOR WORSHIP



Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him. Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced; instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death. We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to acknowledge this land on which St. Philip's Lutheran Church is located. For thousands of years, it has been the traditional land of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinaabeg, the Haudenosaunee, and the Wendat peoples. We are grateful to have the opportunity to meet, worship, and serve on this land.

The assembly gathers in the narthex. Palm branches are distributed.

ACCLAMATION

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

BLESSING OF PALMS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

vs. 1 - 4 ELW 344

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you**.

KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Philippians 2: 5 - 11

Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as

something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**.

BIBLE BUNCH

"Jumping Up And Down"

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Luke 19: 28 - 40

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." 40He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"We Long to Know Peace!"

(new lyrics to ELW 825)

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

Pat Lovell

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for Pat, our new member, in her life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us welcome Pat, our sister in Christ to this community of faith. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends: Merciful God, Response: receive our prayer.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SHARING OF PEACE

MOMENT FOR UKRAINE

CHOIR ANTHEM

"On Humble Beast the King now Rides"

arr. Hal H. Hopson

PRAYER

Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song:

The earth is full of your glory. The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ. Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth. Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again:

The earth is full of your glory. The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen. Amen and amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. 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 forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

COMMUNION HYMN

"Lamb of God"

ACS Setting 11

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty!"

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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SERVING TODAY

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek Chris Ritcey-Conrad Angelika Quinn Marcia Powers-Dunlop St. Philip's Choir Karen Adolph Dave Pascoe

Pastor Music Director Reader Prayers Music Livestream Usher Audio Visual

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS

Gus Berndt, Kevin Cartwright, Rodney Erlandson, Luke Fergin, Al Jacksteit, Matt Kirkpatrick, Mona Kibsey, Mark Kieswetter, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Ursula Stavnitsky, Emeris, and Lynette.

WAYS TO BE INVOLVED

- Thursday afternoon Lenten Meditations with Sarah Glinski.
- Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services during Holy Week.
- Join in the Coffee Hour Sunday mornings after worship.
- Volunteer to set up or clean up for coffee hour see sign-up sheet.

OFFERING

Please place your offering on the plate in the centre aisle. Other options can be found on our website: stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/

THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Monday	1:00 pm Zumba Gold
	7:15 pm Joyful Noise Bell Choir
Tuesday	
Wednesday	10:00 am Cover Girls
	7:30 pm Vocal Choir
Thursday	4:00 pm Lenten Meditation on Zoom
	6:00 pm Soup Supper
	7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship
	Service
Friday	11:00 am Good Friday Worship Service
Saturday	12:00 - 6:00 pm Private Function:
	Fellowship Hall/Kitchen

VISION STATEMENT:

We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise hospitality** of open hearts and open arms. We **unite with partners** to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** the community of Christ.



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