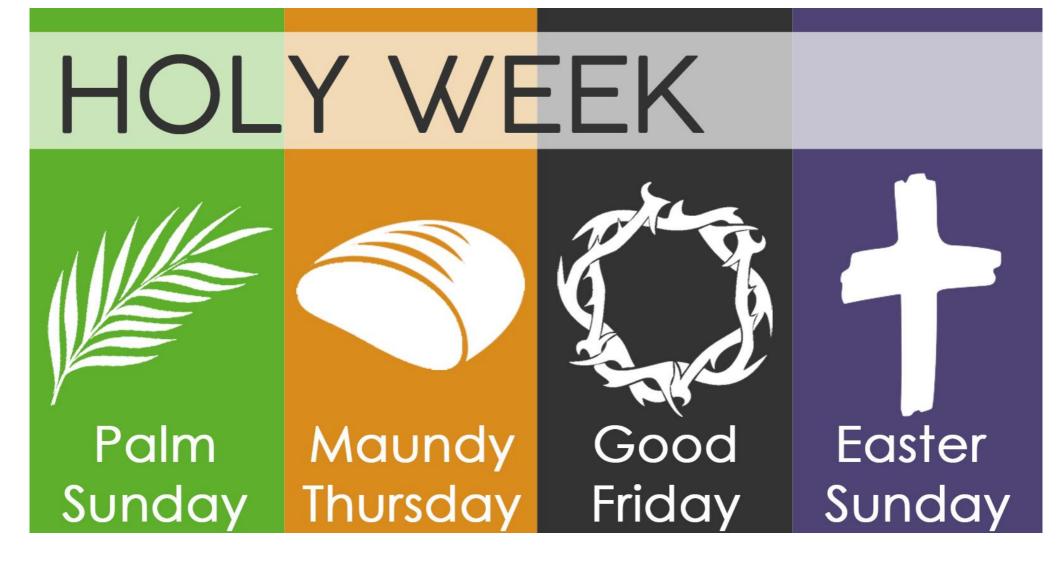
# Welcome to the Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens



The Sunday of the Passion

SUNDAY APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2023



Welcome & Announcements: Rev. Rob Henderson



Call and Response

## Refrain (sing back)

Hosanna ho! Hosanna ho!
Hosanna ho! Hosanna ho!
Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna ho! Hosanna ho!



## Verse 1 (sing back)

Jesus Arrives! Jesus Arrives!
He is alive! He is alive!
Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna
He is alive! He is alive!



## Verse 2 (sing back)

Welcome The King! Welcome The King Welcome we sing! Welcome we sing! Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna ho! Hosanna ho!



## Verse 3 (sing back)

We celebrate! We celebrate!
Sins will abate! Sins will abate!
Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna
We celebrate! We celebrate!



## *Verse* 4 (sing back)

Joyfully sing! Joyfully sing!
Praise to the King! Praise to the King!
Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna
Praise to the King! Praise to the King!



## Verse 5 (sing back)

Come to the feast! Come to the feast Come to the feast! Come to the feast Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna Come to the feast! Come to the feast!



# The Liturgy of the Palms

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

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: 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 together:

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.

# All stand for the Gospel

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Matthew 21:1-11

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." 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.

People: Praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ.

# The Blessing of the Palm Crosses

We 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.



Call and Response

Cantor: Hosanna Ho!

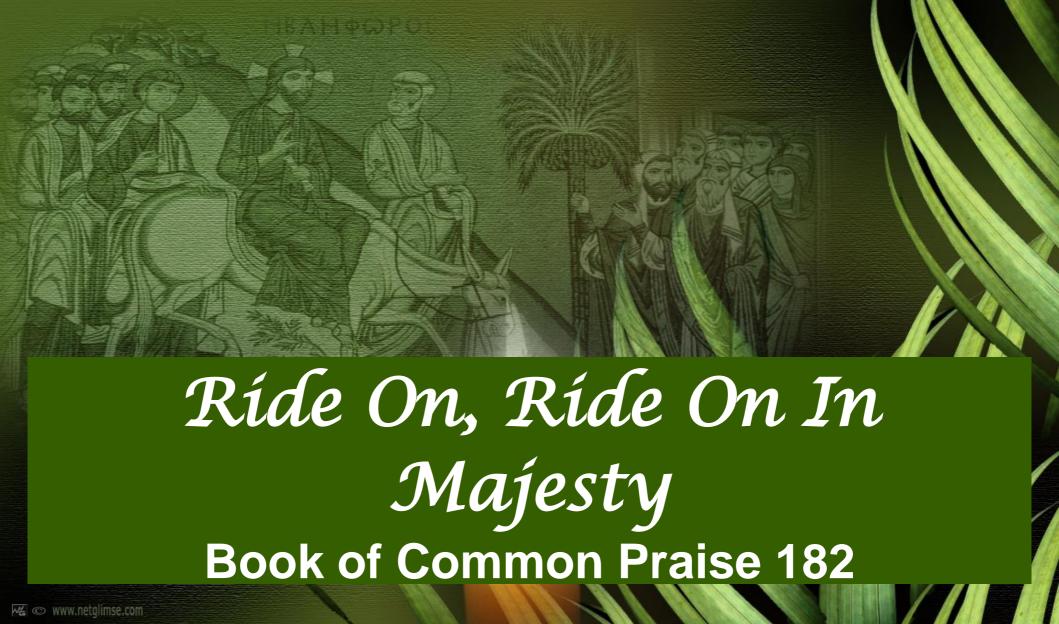
People: Hosanna Ho!

Listen to phrase and Repeat



# *Let us pray together:*

**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 forever.



Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes 'Hosanna' cry;
O Saviour meek pursue his 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!



# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

# Celebrant:

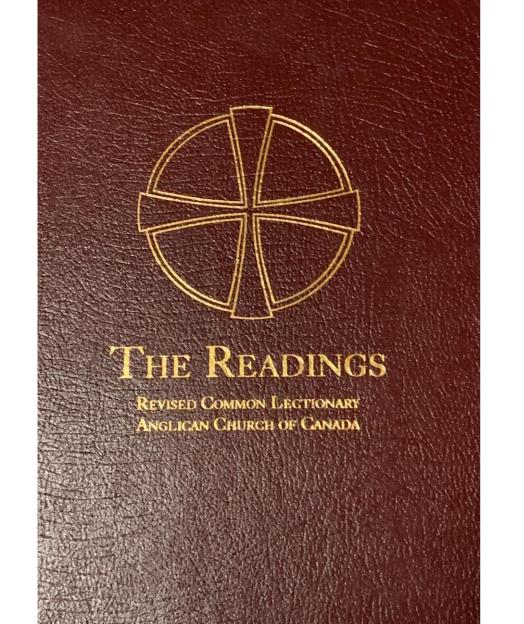
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, And the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with you all.

People: And also with you.

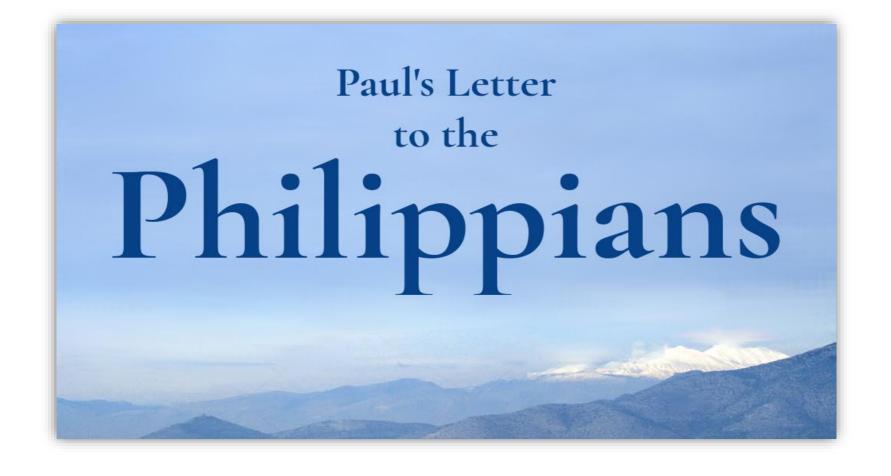
We say together the Passion Collect for today: Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection;

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



A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:5-11)

## Philippians 2:5-11

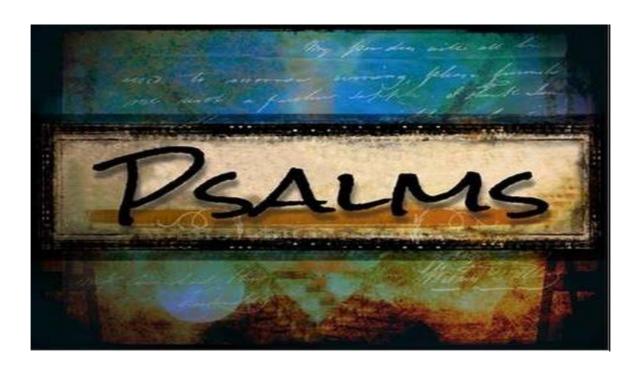
Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 31:9-16 (Psalms for all Seasons)

### **Refrain:**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble.

My eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly

For my life is wasted with grief and my years with sighing.

My strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

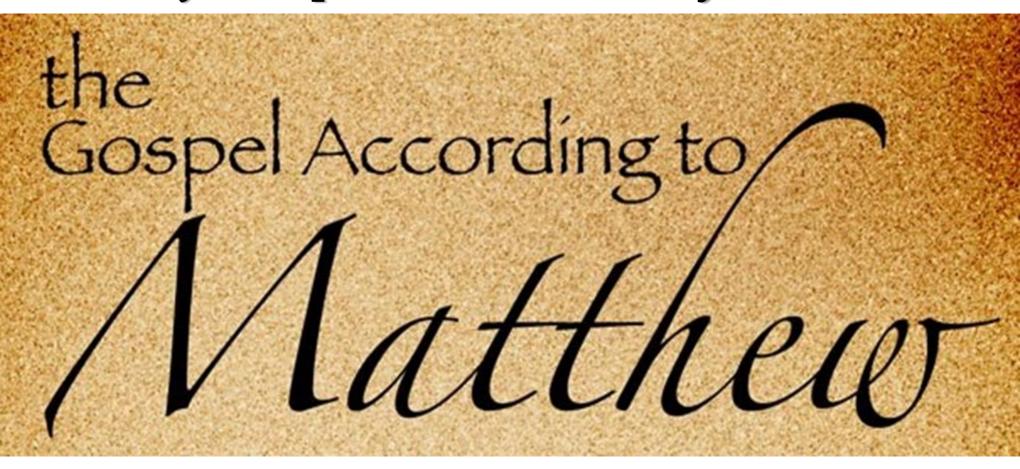
I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours. A dismay to those of my acquaintance.

When they see me in the street, they avoid me
I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.

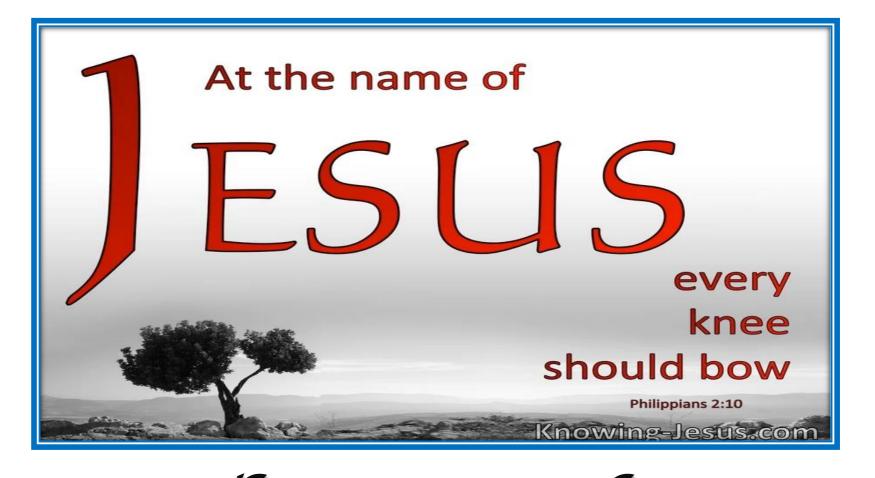
For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around. they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life. But as for me, I have trusted in you O Lord. I have said "You are my God."

My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hands of my enemies; and from those who persecute me. Let your face shine upon your servant; And in your loving kindness save me.

# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ



Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



At The Name of Jesus Book of Common Praise 375

#### Verse 1

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis his Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the Mighty Word

#### Verse 2

**Humbled for a season** to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom He came faithfully He bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

# All stand for the Passion

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Matthew 27:11-54

Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?"

But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Jesus Barabbas.

So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat,

his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

"Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!"

So he released Barabbas for them, and after flogging Jesus he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after

twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

# The Congregation Stands

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Then two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to, for he said, 'I am God's Son.' "

The rebels who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.

Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!" Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

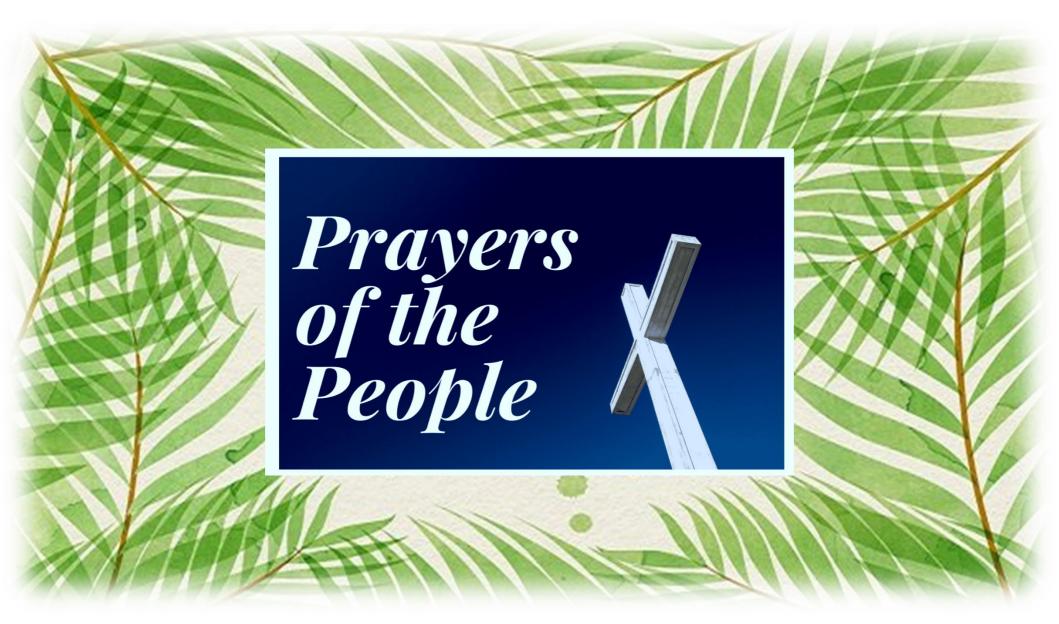
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Verse 4

In your hearts enthrone Him there let him subdue all that is not holy all that is not true. crown him as your Saviour in temptation's hour; let His will enfold you in its light and power.



Homily Rev. Rob Henderson



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday – Year A

On this day the church hears again the Passion of our Lord into which we are baptized.

Let us pray for the whole people of God and for all people according to their needs saying: *Lord have mercy*.

We pray for the whole church throughout the world. For the Diocese of Huron and our Bishop Todd and for all the baptized. Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who are preparing for baptism, confirmation and reaffirming their faith.

Let us pray to the Lord

## We pray for peace among all nations and the unity of all people. Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for our parish community of Holy Trinity St. Stephens Memorial as we walk the road toward the cross this week.

Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the weary and the sick. For those on our parish prayer list, especially today remembering: David H., Meghan R., Kathryn H., Kathy G., Jennifer A., and Bea. Let us pray to the Lord

Into your hands O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray through your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### Confession and Absolution

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

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

People: 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.

Celebrant: 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.



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

People: And also with you.

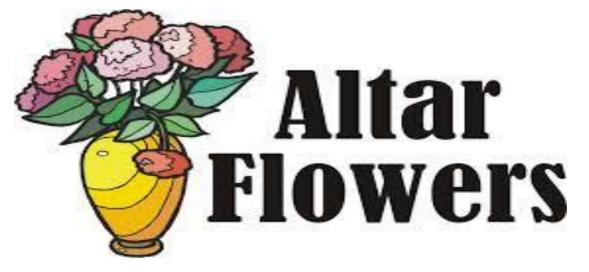
#### More Precious Than Silver



Verse 1

Lord you are more precious than silver Lord you are more costly than gold. Lord, you are More beautiful than diamonds. Nothing I desire compares with you. **Receiving the** gifts of money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church.





The flowers for the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Sandra Otte in memory of her grandparents Ken & Laura Fitzpatrick, and Lila & Clarence Diamond.

#### Prayer Over The Gifts

Gracious God, that suffering and death of Jesus makes us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice many we receive your love and mercy.

Amen.



# Eucharistic Prayer # 3 Palm Sunday

Eucharistic Prayer 3 (Pentecost)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death.

The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life was lost, life has been restored. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy (Dufford)
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.
God of Power and Might
Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna on high.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna, Hosanna on High.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

"Take, eat:
this is my body
which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

### Therefore, Father, according to his command,

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,

that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ

and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light

Where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

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 (Landry)

Cantor: Let us pray to God our Father in the way Jesus taught us to pray:

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.

The Lord's Prayer-1/2

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 Yours is the kingdom, And the power, and the glory, Now and for ever. Amen



Breaking of The Bread #7 Lent and Holy Week

Celebrant: We break this bread,

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

If we have died with him

All: If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.





Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God - 1/3

Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God - 2/3

Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.

Lamb of God - 3/3



## ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE, IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.

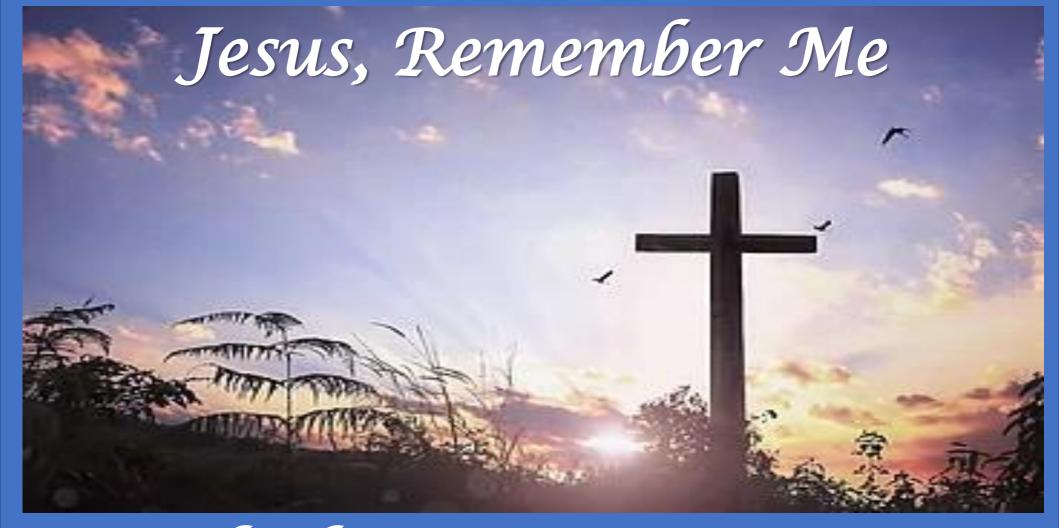
# Please stay physically distanced when approaching to receive communion.

After receiving your wafer, please step to the side and remove your mask before consuming the bread and wine.

Gluten free wafers are available.

### Communion Hymn





Book of Common Praise 634

# Jesus, remember me When you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me When you come into your kingdom.

**Repeat** 

We Say Together the Prayer After Communion: Father, through your goodness we receive your Son in word and sacrament. May we always have faith in him.

Amen.

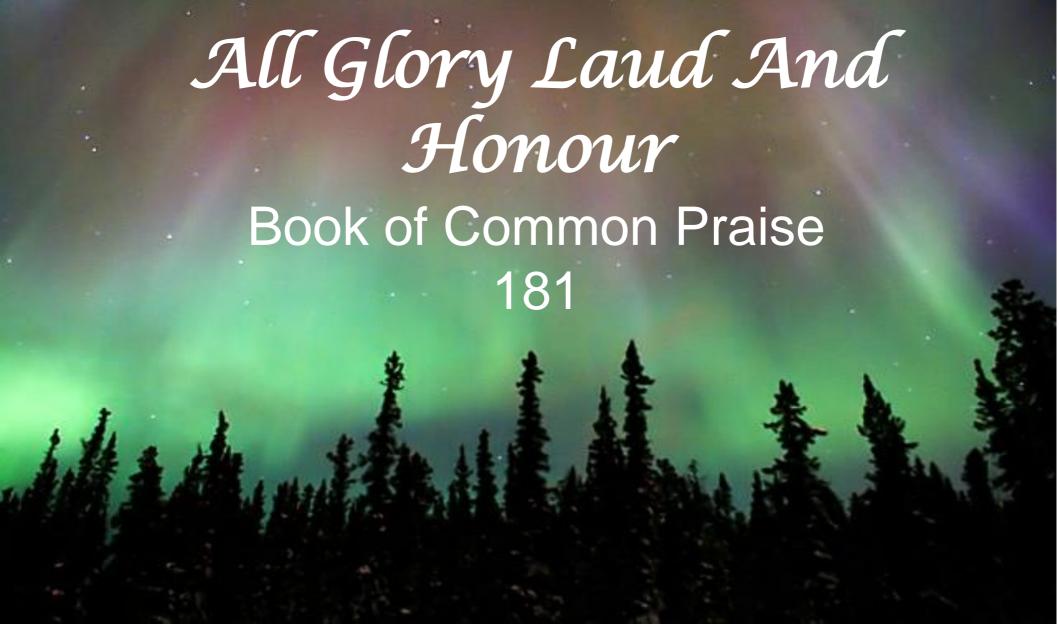
#### The Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God,

People: 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 BLESSING



#### <u>Refrain</u>

Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessèd One.

#### <u>Refrain</u>

The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high,
And we with all creation
In chorus make reply.

#### <u>Refrain</u>

The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present:

#### <u>Refrain</u>

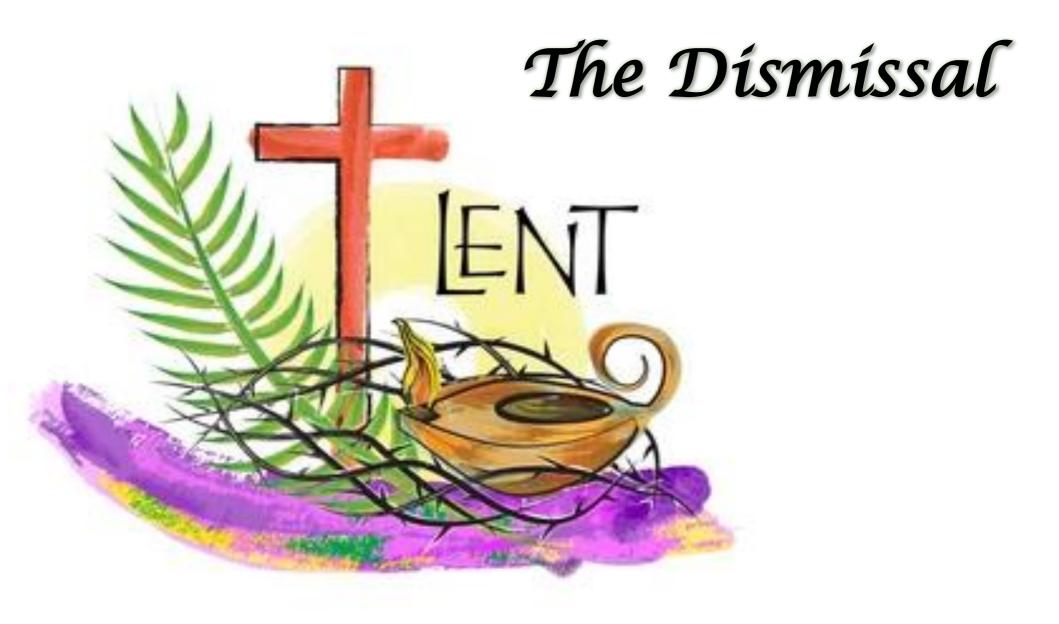
To thee, before thy passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

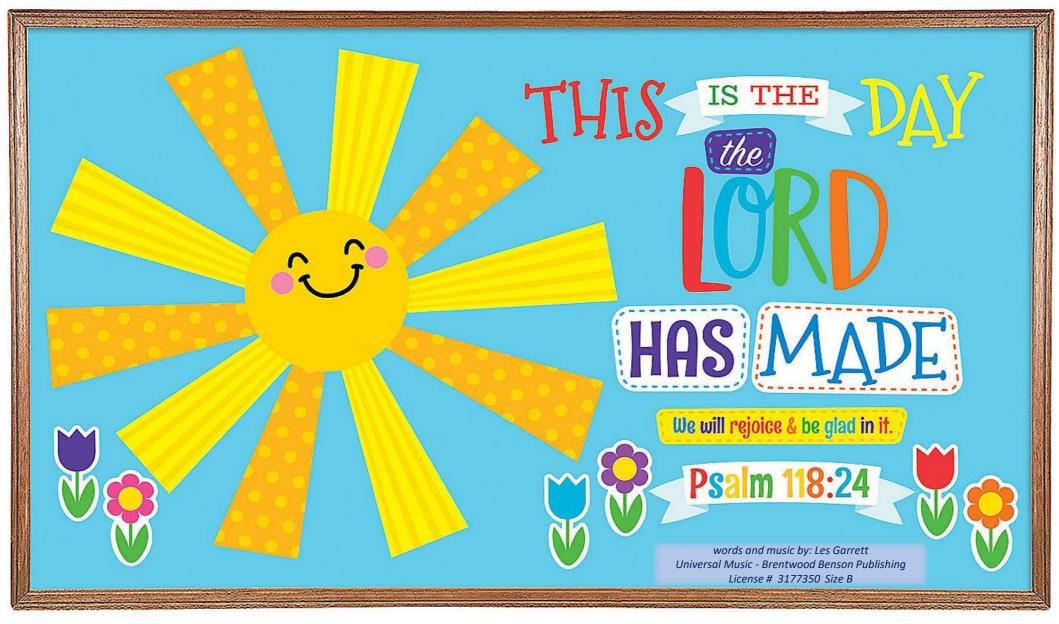
#### <u>Refrain</u>

Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King.

#### **Refrain**







This is the day, This is the day that The Lord has made, That the Lord has made. I will rejoice, I will rejoice And be glad in it and be glad in it. This is the day
That the Lord has made,
I will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made

It is a good thing To give thanks unto the Lord, It is a good thing To give thanks unto the Lord, And to sing praises unto His name, Oh most high

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This is the day, this is the day that
The Lord has made,
That the Lord has made.
I will rejoice, I will rejoice
And be glad in it and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made



Thank You For Worshipping With Us!

