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# **St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church**

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***March 24, 2024***

***Palm Sunday***

***The Sunday of Passion***

***10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist***

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Patrick Blaney*

***St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church***

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# WELCOME

*We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devices to silent or "off".*

*After the service, we invite newcomers (and others!) to visit our Welcome Table downstairs in the Lounge. This is a place where you can learn more about the various activities and groups here at St. John's, find contact information, ways to get involved and have fun!*

## **Ministering today at our 10:00 a.m. service:**

<i>Celebrant:</i>	<i>The Reverend Patrick Blaney</i>
<i>Liturgical Assistant:</i>	<i>Jill Parsons</i>
<i>Preacher:</i>	<i>The Reverend Patrick Blaney</i>
<i>Crucifer and Server:</i>	<i>Hazel Breakey</i>
<i>Music Director</i>	<i>Galina Martyniuk (Piano, Organ)</i>
<i>Choir Director:</i>	<i>Christie Smith</i>
<i>Readers:</i>	<i>Ann Hasle, Kevin Benoy</i>
<i>Intercessor:</i>	<i>Maria Morellato</i>
<i>Eucharistic Administrators:</i>	<i>Linda Harrison, Maria Morellato</i>
<i>Welcome Table:</i>	<i>Alison Brookfield</i>

**Flowers in the Sanctuary today** The 2024 Flower Calendar is in the Narthex. Please sign up for the Sunday that you would like to donate Altar Flowers. Thank you.

**Offertory Plate sits at the back of the church:** Your thoughtful and generous gifts to St. John's enable our worship and ministry to our world. One-time or recurring donations can be made by visiting our website [www.stjohnnv.ca](http://www.stjohnnv.ca), or by scanning this QR code on your smartphone.



## **Prelude & Announcements**

## ***Territorial Acknowledgement***

Celebrant            The community of St. John's acknowledges that we live, work and worship on the ancestral and unceded land of the Coast Salish Peoples: The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations. May the reconciling love of Christ be reflected in our words and in our actions.

## ***The Liturgy of the Palms***

*The people will gather in the Lounge, as they are able, from where the procession will begin. You are invited to take a palm branch and a palm cross to be carried in the procession.*

Celebrant    Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**All            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.  
                  According to Luke's Gospel  
                  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.

**All            Amen.**

## ***The Gospel***

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

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

Celebrant            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**All**                    **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." ' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Mark 11:1-11





## ***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.

**All                      And also with you.**

Celebrant            Almighty God,  
**All                      To you all hearts are open,  
all desires are known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily,  
magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ***The Collect***

Celebrant            Almighty and everliving God,  
**All                      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***

***The First Reading:*** Read by Ann Hasle.

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me  
     the tongue of a teacher,  
 that I may know how to sustain  
     the weary with a word.  
 Morning by morning he awakens—  
     awakens my ear  
     to listen as those who are taught.  
 The Lord God has opened my ear,  
     and I was not rebellious,  
     I did not turn backwards.  
 I gave my back to those who struck me,  
     and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
 I did not hide my face  
     from insult and spitting.  
 The Lord God helps me;  
     therefore I have not been disgraced;  
 therefore I have set my face like flint,  
     and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
     he who vindicates me is near.  
 Who will contend with me?  
     Let us stand up together.  
 Who are my adversaries?  
     Let them confront me.  
 It is the Lord God who helps me;  
     who will declare me guilty?

Isaiah 50:4–9a

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All    Thanks be to God.**



***Psalm 31***

Please remain seated for the singing of the Psalm together.

**The Second Reading:** Read by Kevin Benoy.  
A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

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.

Philippians 2:5–11

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**All Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn** *Before the reading of the Gospel, the first half of the Gradual Hymn is sung, All stand for the Gospel.*

## The Gospel — Palm Sunday

Liturgical Assistant

The Lord be with you.

**All**

**And also with you.**

Liturgical Assistant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark.

**All**

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please remain seated until prompted*

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, 'Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.'

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, 'Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.' And they scolded her. But Jesus said, 'Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.'

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.



On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.' So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.' They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, 'Surely, not I?' He said to them, 'It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.'

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, 'Take; this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, 'You will all become deserters; for it is written, "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered."

But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.' Peter said to him, 'Even though all become deserters, I will not.' Jesus said to him, 'Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' But he said vehemently, 'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.' And all of them said the same.



They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.' And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, 'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.' He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, 'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.'

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.' So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.' All of them deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.



They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, 'We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands."' But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, 'Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?' But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?' Jesus said, 'I am; and

"you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power", and "coming with the clouds of heaven." '

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, 'Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?' All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, 'Prophecy!' The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, 'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.' But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.' And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, 'This man is one of them.' But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, 'Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.' But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know this man you are talking about.' At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept.



As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.





It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!' In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, 'He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.' Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.' And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.' Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

**All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the second half of the Gradual hymn is sung.*

***Sermon***

*The Reverend Patrick Blaney*

***Time for Reflection***

## ***Nicene Creed***

Celebrant I believe in one God,  
**All** **The Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
 And of all things visible and invisible:  
 And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of  
 God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds;  
 God, of God; Light, of Light;  
 Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made;  
 Being of one substance with the Father;  
 Through whom all things were made:  
 Who for us humans and for our salvation  
 came down from heaven,  
 And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin  
 Mary, And was made human,  
 And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried,  
 And the third day he rose again according to the  
 Scriptures, And ascended into heaven,  
 And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.  
 And he shall come again with glory to judge  
 both the quick and the dead:  
 Whose kingdom shall have no end.  
 And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of  
 Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
 Who with the Father and the Son together is  
 worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.  
 And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic  
 Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission  
 of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,  
 And the Life of the world to come. Amen.**

## ***Prayers of the People***

*Please take whatever position is best for you for prayer.*

**The Church** Archbishop Lynne McNaughton our Metropolitan, Bishop John Stephens, Linda Nicholls our Primate. We pray for Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Presiding Elder of the Sacred Circle. Also, we pray for Patrick our Priest. For Jill in her discernment, work and studies to become an Anglican Priest. Primate Brent Alawas, Bishop Benny Lang-akan and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. Our companion parish, St John the Evangelist Mission and Outstations, Pasnadan, The Reverend Tristan Bati-el. The Deanery of Oakridge, The Reverend Marion Wong, Regional Dean. Care+Share Outreach Program.

**The Local Community:** City & District of North Vancouver, Queen Mary Community School.

**The World:** *O God the Holy Ghost*

*Who art light unto thine elect*

*Evermore enlighten us.*

*Thou who art fire of love*

*Evermore enkindle us.*

*Thou who art Lord and Giver of Life,*

*Evermore live in us.*

*Thou who bestowest sevenfold grace,*

*Evermore replenish us.*

*As the wind is thy symbol,*

*So forward our goings.*

*As the dove, so launch us heavenwards.*

*As water, so purify our spirits.*

*As a cloud, so abate our temptations.*

*As dew, so revive our languor.*

*As fire, so purge our dross*

*Christina Rossetti (AD 1830-1894)*

**Those in Need:** For those who are sick, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. This week, our prayers are requested especially for these members and friends of our St. John's faith community: John & Pat Riddell, Raili Mazurek, John and Lynne Shozawa, Laurie Stringer, Ann Burch, Mir and his family, Margaret Mainwaring.

**The Dearly Departed:** Andy Mazurek and those we no longer see. They will live forever in our hearts.

**In Thanksgiving:** In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Edward & Estrella Salimbay, Alison & Rob Sapiecha, Ken & Pam Seely, John & Lynne Shozawa, Christie Smith, John & Eileen Spender.

## ***Confession and Absolution***

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

*Silence is kept.*

Celebrant            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.**

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.  
**All                    Amen.**

## ***Sharing of The Peace***

*We stand as we are able and greet our neighbours in the peace of Christ.*

Celebrant            May the peace of Christ always be with you.  
**All                    And also with you.**









# ***The Celebration of the Eucharist***

## ***Preparation of the Gifts***

*Representatives of the people present the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist (with money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church) to the celebrant before the altar. Your thoughtful and generous gifts enable our worship and ministry to our world. We thank you.*

## ***Doxology***

**All**                      **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## ***The Prayer Over the Gifts***

<b>Celebrant</b> <b>All</b>	Gracious God, <b>the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son,</b> <b>makes us pleasing in your sight.</b> <b>Alone we can do nothing,</b> <b>but through his sacrifice,</b> <b>may we receive your love and mercy. Amen.</b>
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## ***The Great Thanksgiving /Eucharistic Prayer 3 (DoNW)***

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

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All 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  
for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb  
who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death  
he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again  
he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our  
voices with the whole company of heaven,  
we sing our joyful hymn of praise  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the One who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

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 isolation into community, 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,

**All**

**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.

**All**

**Amen.**

Celebrant

**All**

As our Saviour taught us to pray, let us sing,  
**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.**

## ***The Breaking of the Bread***

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

## ***The Communion***

Priest                     The Gifts of God, for the people of God.  
**People                    Thanks be to God.**

*All who love God and desire Christ are welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Please note intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine), is not permitted.*

## ***Communion Hymns***

TAKE O TAKE ME AS I AM  
WE ARE SENT FORTH

### ***Pie Jesu***

from: Requiem  
by: Gabriel Faure  
solo: Yasmine Bia





## ***Prayer after Communion***

Celebrant

**All**

God our help and strength,

**you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food.**

**Strengthen our faith,**

**that through the death and resurrection of your Son,**

**we may be led to salvation,**

**for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.**

## ***The Doxology***

Celebrant

**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 Blessing***





## ***Dismissal***

Priest  
**People**

*Words of Dismissal*  
**Thanks be to God.**

## ***Postlude***

*Hosanna*  
*music & words by Carl Tuttle*



Please do join us downstairs in the Lounge for our tea and coffee fellowship.