

**Welcome to St. James' – April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Holy Eucharist – The Sunday of the Palm Sunday**

**Book of Alternative Services (Green Book)**

**Interim Rector: Rev'd Marty Keatings**

**Lay Readers: Bob Welt, Lorraine Livingston**

**Musician: Kristy Van Kooten-Bossence**

*This day inaugurates Holy Week in a double way. Traditionally, it opens with the Liturgy of the Palms. This is a memorial of Christ's entry into Jerusalem, the episode that marked the beginning of His Passover. But it also includes the reading of a complete passion narrative. This reading provides the narrative purpose of the week that follows and dominates the celebration of the day itself.*

**Beginning in the hall with the Blessings of the Palms with the children at the front.**

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

**All: Hosanna in the highest**

*As the procession goes throughout the hall - join in singing Hosanna!  
**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Repeat many times.***

**As the children leave for Sunday School please join in singing the  
Processional Hymn: HOSANNA! HOSANNA!**

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

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Lord, we lift up Your name, with hearts full of praise;

Be exalted, oh Lord, my God! Hosanna in the highest!

Glory! Glory! Glory to the King of kings!

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Be exalted, oh Lord, my God! Glory to the King of kings!

Priest: 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. **Amen**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And, also with you**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 19: 28 - 40**

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

*At the conclusion of the Gospel,*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

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

*Celebrant:* 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. **Amen.**

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***Almighty and ever living 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**

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4 - 9

Psalm 31: 9 – 16

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Second Reading: Philippians 2: 5 – 11

**Gospel Acclamation: I LOVE YOU LORD** *(Before & After the Gospel)*

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul rejoice.

Take joy, my King, in what You hear,

May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And, also with you**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 22: 14 – 23: 56 or Luke 23: 1 - 49**

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

At the conclusion of the Gospel,

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

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

## Homily

### The Nicene Creed

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#### Invitation to Prayer: Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Prayers of the People – *Lord, Hear our prayer*

#### PRAYER LIST

St. James' prays for our families, friends, and loved ones who are ill or recovering from illness or are in need of prayerful support. Grant them healing and strength. May they find Peace. Lord, we pray for:



Little Jack, Clara, Nickolas, Matthew, Jo, Mark, Catherine,  
Elizabeth, Anne, John, Janey, Judy, Eleanor, Susan, Anne, Rob &  
Bella, Deny, Linda, Douglas, Matthew, Anne, Caitlin, Grace, Elise,  
Karen, Patrick.

Confession & Absolution

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The Peace

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Offertory Hymn: ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOUR

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*Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel thou David's royal Son

who in the Lord's name comest the King and blessed one. *Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;

our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. *Refrain*

To thee, before thy Passion they sang their hymns of praise;

to thee now high exalted our melody we raise. *Refrain*

Prayer over the Gifts

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*Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us  
pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice,  
may we receive your love and mercy. Amen.*

#### THE CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST

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**Communion Hymn: ABOVE ALL**

Above all powers, Above all kings, Above all nature and all created things  
 Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
 You were here before the world began  
 Above all kingdoms Above all thrones  
 Above all wonders the world has ever known  
 Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
 There's no way to measure what you're worth

Crucified, Laid behind the stone. You lived to die, Rejected and alone.

Like a rose, trampled on the ground, You took the fall  
 And thought of me, Above all. Repeat

**Prayer after Communion:** **P. 300**

*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 (sung)** **P. 214**

**The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn: RIDE ON, RIDE ON IN MAJESTY** **#182**

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes "Hosanna" cry;  
 O Saviour meek, pursue thy road with palms and scattered garments strowed.

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! In lowly pomp, ride on to die;  
 Bow thy meek head to mortal pain; Then take, O God, thy Power, & reign.

**Dismissal:** This service has ended; but .....

***ALL: Thanks be to God.***

**MAY THE PEACE OF CHRIST BE WITH YOU (sung)**

May the peace of Christ be with you. May the love of Christ dwell deep in your heart. May the Spirit enlighten your way. May you walk in the comfort of God's care.