



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – Sunday 9 April 2017

Palm Sunday

Pre service music *“Rejoice the Lord is King”, “Ride on, ride on”* George Thalban-Ball (1896-1987)
“Valet will ich dir geben” (All Glory Laud and Honour) Max Reger (1873-1916)

Welcome

Introit *“Benedictus - Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the Highest”*
music Karl Jenkins (b. 1944)

Call to worship and Greeting

Kia noho a Ihowa kia koutou. May God be with you.

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

Let us enter the city with God today

Let us sing praise to Christ

To the son of God riding on a donkey

With fishers and tax-collectors,

With people demeaned and people suffering

With people abandoned and people oppressed

Let us shout for joy at Christ's coming

And follow the One who welcomes the sinner and dines with the outcast

Let us touch and see as God draws near

Riding humbly into the city to face the hungering dark.

Let us worship God.

Hymn *“All glory, laud and honour”*

(St. Theodulph) CH4 364 -

St. Theodulph of Orleans, trans John Mason Neale

*All glory, laud, and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!*

1 You are the King of Israel,
great David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
the King and Blessèd One. [*Refrain*]

2 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. [*Refrain*]

3 To you before your Passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. [*Refrain*]

4 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
in every good delighting,
our great and gracious King:

*All glory, laud, and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!*

Prayer of Praise and Confession, Assurance of Forgiveness

E te whanau ... all are God's beloved people. **Thanks be to God.**

Passing the Peace

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou;
God's Spirit be in you. **And also in you.**

Anthem *"Hosanna in the Highest - Blessed is he who comes"*

music Luc Jakobs

Conversation with young members

Hymn *"Hosanna, loud hosanna"*

(Ellacombe) CH4 367 - Jennette Threlfall

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,
the little children sang;
through city street and temple
their joyful welcome rang.
They shouted out their praises,
to Christ, the children's friend,
who welcomes all with blessing,
whose love will never end.

3 'Hosanna in the highest!'
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven our King.
Oh, may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice.

2 From Olivet they followed
a large exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud;
bright angels joined the chorus,
beyond the cloudless sky,
'Hosanna in the highest!
Glory to God on high!'

Reading Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church **Thanks be to God**

Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon 'How can we enter the city?'

Hymn "Ride on, ride on, the time is right"

CH4 370 - Graham Maule & John L Bell

1 Ride on, ride on, the time is right:
the roadside crowds scream with delight;
palm branches mark the pilgrim way
where beggars squat and children play.

2 Ride on, ride on, while well aware
that those who shout and wave and stare
are mortals who, with common breath,
can crave for life and lust for death.

3 Ride on, ride on, though blind with tears,
though dumb to speak and deaf to jeers.
Your path is clear, though few can tell
their garments pave the road to Hell.

4 Ride on, ride on, God's love demands;
justice and peace lie in your hands.
Evil and angel voices rhyme:
this is the man and this the time.

Prayer for others, then ...

**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 for ever. Amen.**

**E to mātou Matua i te rangi.
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa:
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga:
Kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga ki te
whenua
kia rite ano ki tō te rangi.
Homai ki a mātou āiane he taro mā
mātou mō tēnei ra.
Murua o mātou hara, me mātou hoki e
muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino.
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha me te
kororia
ake ake ake
Amine**

Notices

Offering and Dedication

"This is the day that the Lord has made"

text Psalm 118; music 16th cent anon.

*We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table,
and those which wing their way electronically from our banks to the Church's account.*

Hymn “A cheering, chanting, dizzy crowd”

(CM) GtG 200 - Thomas Troeger

1 A cheering, chanting, dizzy crowd,
had stripped the green trees bare,
and hailing Christ as king aloud,
waved branches in the air.

2 They laid their garments in the road
and spread his path with palms
and vows of lasting love bestowed
with royal hymns and psalms.

3 When day dimmed down to deepening
dark
the crowd began to fade
till only trampled leaves and bark
were left from the parade.

4 Lest we be fooled because our hearts
have surged with passing praise,
remind us, God, as this week starts
where Christ has fixed his gaze.

5 Instead of palms, a winding sheet
will have to be unrolled,
a carpet much more fit to greet
the king a cross will hold.

Blessing, then Postlude

“Praeludium in E minor”

Nicolaus Bruhns (1665-97)

You are invited to morning tea after worship, in the Gathering Area.

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