



KNOX CHURCH, DUNEDIN

growing in courage to live the Jesus way

10am – 20 March 2016

Palm Sunday

Pre service music “*Valet will ich dir geben*” (I Want to bid You Farewell: All Glory Laud & Honour)

Op. 135a, No. 23 Max Reger (1873-1916)

“*Herzlich thut mich verlangen*” (Heartfelt Love I Have for Thee: Passion Chorale) Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767)
played by Peter Stockwell

Call to Worship

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

Ma Ihowa koe e manaaki. May God bless you.

“As Jesus rode along, people spread their cloaks on the road. The disciples praised God with a loud voice saying:

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!”

Some of the Pharisees said – “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.”

Procession of children and palms, and cloaks

During procession – left side – **Blessed is the one who comes!**

Right side – **Be quiet!**

Hymn “*All glory, laud and honour*”

(St Theodulph) CH4 364 - 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,
our King and Blessèd One. [*Refrain*]

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

3 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
in every good delighting,
our great and gracious King: [*Refrain*]

Prayer of Praise and Confession, Assurance of Forgiveness

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

Passing the Peace, then Anthem *"Benedictus"* (Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord)

Karl Jenkins (b. 1944) played by John Elder

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 Luke 19: 28-40

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

Sermon "The stones shout out"

Hymn “From heaven you came”

(The Servant King) CH4 374 – Graham Kendrick

1 From heaven you came helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God the Servant King,
he calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King*

2 There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said. [*Refrain*]

3 Come see his hands and his feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered. [*Refrain*]

4 So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving. [*Refrain*]

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 forever: Amen**

Offering and Dedication “*Valet will ich dir geben*”

(I Want to bid You Farewell: All Glory Laud & Honour) Georg Friedrich Kaffmann (1679-1735)

*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.*

Notices

Hymn “Ride on, ride on”

(Winchester) CH4 370– Henry Hart Milman

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, your critics wait,
intrigue and rumour circulate;
new lies abound in word and jest,
and trust becomes a suspect guest.

3 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.

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

4 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.

Benediction and Threefold Amen, then Postlude

"Praeludium and Fugue in G minor"

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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