

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy One, speak to us again as we read of the suffering and death of Jesus. May we hear Your word above the shouts of the crowd, and hearing, may we follow faithfully, even to the cross. We pray in the name of Jesus, who died for us. *Amen.*

## BIBLE READINGS -

Philippians 2:5-11 (*Page 1162*)

Robyn Irwin

Luke 19:28-40 (*Page 1040*)

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

SERMON:        “*His Way - His Charted Course*”     Krikor Youmshajekian

HYMN:        348     “*Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*”

NOTICES - Elders' & Council Meetings - Wed April 13 12:30 pm.

- Good Friday Service - 15 April 9:30 am.

- Easter Sunday Service - 17 April 9:30 am.

- Mother's Day Lunch - Sunday 1 May 11:30 am.

## OFFERING and DEDICATION PRAYER

### WORD OF MISSION - TO JOURNEY THE CROSS WAY

Guided by the Light, Guided by the Spirit:

Where Christ journeys, *we will journey!*

Where Christ stumbles, *we will wait!*

Where Christ cries out, *we will pay attention!*

Where Christ suffers in others, *we will face our suffering!*

When Christ dies, *we will grieve and wait!*

When Christ is raised in glory, *with the great crowd of witnesses from ages, we will enter new life for all!*

There is no other journey but this, *Guided by the Light, Guided by the Spirit we will journey on this way! His Way!*

HYMN:        12     “*Ye Gates, Lift Up Your Heads on High*”

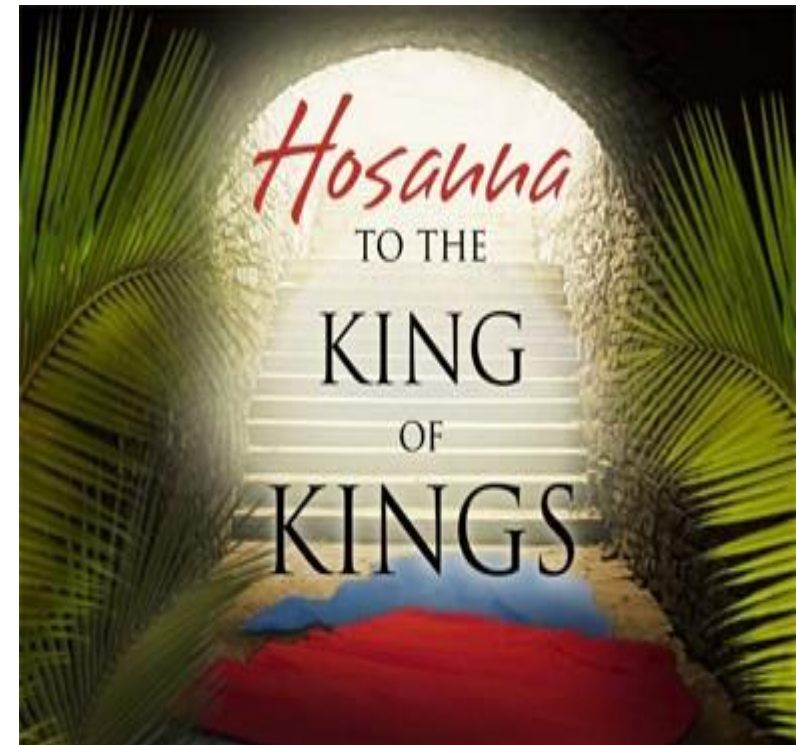
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## Longueville - St. Andrew's Uniting Church



**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**10 April 2022**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice, rejoice, you children of Zion! Shout for joy, you children of Israel! Look and see, your King is coming to you.

*He comes triumphant and victorious, yet humble and riding on a donkey.*

The Lord will now save God's people as a shepherd saves His flock from danger.

*Like precious jewels in a crown, we will sparkle and shine in God's own land.*

Not like a King, but humble, on a donkey,

*We welcome You!*

Hailed by crowds and the singing of children,

*We shout and cheer You!*

From the country's open spaces, villages, towns and cities, to the centre of power and intrigue,

*We acknowledge You, Christ our Lord.*

You challenge the order of things, dignifying the lowly donkey, transforming majesty and authority; bring hope and new song to those longing for a new time, a new way.

*With them we sing and shout with all our might: Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!*

**HYMN: 724 "Hosanna, Hosanna"**

## DECLARATION

It was on this day that the Christ entered the holy city to shouts of 'Hosanna!' It was in this week that He entered the Temple, the place of worship, and cleansed it; it was in this week that He gave the meal of thanksgiving to His disciples; it was on the Friday of this week that He humbled Himself, and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

*(Philippians 2:8)*

## PRAYER

*God of new beginnings, help us hear the good news that in Christ the old has passed away and the new has come. Help us know that even the darkest wilderness gives way to light and life. We thank You that even when the wilderness is of our own making and we have purposely turned away from You; You wait our return as a loving father awaits the return of a lost child. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen!*

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Our gracious God forgives all your iniquity and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy; God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love; God does not deal with us according to our sins or repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is the steadfast love of God; as far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us.

*Thanks be to God! Amen!*

**HYMN: 271 "The Advent of Our God"**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

I ask you to pray for the peace of the world, and for all the nations of the world. Pray for enemies to be reconciled and for justice to be done. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

I ask you to pray for our church and for Christians everywhere. Pray for courage and integrity in following the way of the cross. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

I ask you to pray for all who offer their gifts to Christ, and for those who have betrayed His trust in them. Pray for love and loyalty in all our relationships. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

I ask you to pray for the sick and all prisoners, and for people preparing to die. Pray for healing, freedom, and hope. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

I ask you to pray for the forgiveness of our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for pardon and peace. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

I ask you to give thanks for all the saints, and for the resurrection light that shines on them. Remember those who have died. *(Silence)* Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Holy God, hear the prayers of your Church. Forgive our sins, and send us the grace we need to be faithful followers of our crucified and risen Lord, for we pray in Jesus' name. *Amen!*