

Order of Service – 10/4/2022

Palm Sunday

Opening Verse:

“Open to me the gates of righteousness...” Psalm 118:19

Gathering, Greeting and Call to Worship

Ian

Greeting:

The peace of Christ be with you all.

Introduction:

- Masks on (including for singing)
- Special welcome to members of the Baptist and Salvation Army churches here in Brunswick
- 10am: gather out on the steps where members of the Anglican church will join us.
- Morning Tea after the service.
- Keep your belongings safe – take them with you when we go on the procession.

Call to Worship:

This is the day that our God has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

The Psalmist sings: “Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the HOLY ONE.

O God, open the gates of our hearts and minds today,
that we may enter in to your presence, giving thanks and praise.

Song: *And on this path, MV 8*

Bible carried in during song

*And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide,
And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide,
And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide!
Open wide! Open wide! Open wide, the gates are open wide!*

*So enter in, the gates of holiness are open wide,
So enter in, the gates of holiness are open wide,
So enter in, the gates of holiness are open wide!
Open wide! Open wide! Open wide, the gates are open wide!*

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Acknowledgement of Country

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We acknowledge and respect
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation,
the traditional custodians of this land
since time immemorial.

We are learning that the land
is not ours to own, but to look after;
and that if we listen,
we may hear in it the calling of the eternal Spirit.
**Responding to this call, we commit ourselves
to work for justice, reconciliation,
and care of the earth.**

Welcome and Introduction

Ian

Looking through the eyes of Jesus.
Over the past 5 weeks we've been following the story of Jesus' arrest and trial and crucifixion.
Today we are rewinding in the story to remind ourselves of how Jesus got here.

Prayer of Adoration

Ian and McKinnons

Psalm 118 with song, *Hosanna* TIS724

Our prayer of Adoration today is Psalm 118. We sing the hymn Hosanna interspersed through it.

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

O give thanks to the HOLY ONE, who is good;
whose steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say, "God's steadfast love endures forever."

*Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest!*

*Lord we lift up Your name
with hearts full of praise
Be exalted oh Lord my God!
Hosanna in the highest!*

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the HOLY ONE.
This is the gate of God; the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is God's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day that our God has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Glory, Glory
Glory to the King of Kings!
Glory, Glory,
Glory to the King of Kings!*

*Lord we lift up Your name
with hearts full of praise
Be exalted oh Lord my God!
Glory to the King of Kings!*

Hosanna, save us, we beseech you, O GOD!
Hosanna, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.
We bless you from the house of the HOLY ONE.

The HOLY ONE is God, and has given us light.
O give thanks to the HOLY ONE, who is good;
whose steadfast love endures forever!

*Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest!
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Hosanna in the highest!*

*Lord we lift up Your name
with hearts full of praise
Be exalted oh Lord my God!
Hosanna in the highest!*

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Prayer of Confession and Word of Grace

Ian

Images for Prayer of Confession:

Olive branch - Jesus prays in the Garden

Stone - Peter denies Jesus

Scales of Justice - Jesus is unjustly condemned by Pilate and Herod.

Salt - Women weep as Jesus is led away to die

Cross - for the repentant criminal who joins Jesus in Paradise

Word of Grace:

Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of our God!

Hear his word of healing grace and peace to us all:

Your sin is forgiven.

With the Children

Ian

Ian introduces song.

When they heard that Jesus was coming (MV128 - verses as written below)

*When they heard that Jesus was coming,
Sing Hosanna to the chosen one!
All the people went out to meet him.
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the chosen one!*

*Spread their cloaks and branches before him, ...
Children sang with palm branches waving. ...*

Ian tells the first part of the story of Palm Sunday with the children

*Humble he and riding a donkey...
Comes your king triumphant, victorious...*

*Blest is he, like David before him. ...
Blest is he, God's blessing upon him...*

Ian tells the second part of the story of Palm Sunday with the children

*Peace on earth and God's peace in heaven...
Glory now in highest heaven...*

*I tell you if people were silent...
All the stones would shout out their praises...*

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Offering

Ian to introduce

Song during offering: Musicians repeat some verses of "When they heard that Jesus was coming"

Offering Dedication

Ian

Welcomers bring offering bowls forward.

Please join in the response at the end of this dedication.

We long for the time
when the meek shall inherit the earth
and all who hunger and thirst after justice
shall be satisfied,
and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil,
now is always the time
when more good can be done
and we can make a difference.

***May it be so, through
the offering of these gifts
and the offering of our lives. Amen.***

Congregation moves out the front at this point, joins with Anglicans and Catholics.

Ecumenical Procession and Liturgy

Song sung out on BUC steps NO WORDS ON SCREEN

All Glory Laud and Honour (tune TIS333 words AHB250)

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

- 1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest, the King and Blessed One.*
 - 2. The company of angels are praising thee on high;
and mortal men and all things created make reply.*
 - 3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.*
 - 4. To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.*
 - 5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.*
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Song sung in Anglican Courtyard (accompanied by Anglican trumpeter only – BUC musicians not involved) NO WORDS ON SCREEN

Ride on, ride on (TIS348)

1. *Ride on, ride on in majesty;
hark, all the tribes hosanna cry!
O Saviour, meek, pursue your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.*
 2. *Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.*
 3. *Ride on, ride on in majesty;
the wingèd squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.*
 4. *Ride on, ride on in majesty;
your last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.*
 5. *Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, your power and reign!*
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Song sung in Anglican Courtyard (accompanied by BUC musicians) NO WORDS ON SCREEN

The King of Glory Comes (TIS279)

- Refrain: The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices,
open the gates before him, lift up your voices*
1. *Who is the King of glory, how shall we call him?
He is Immanuel, the promised of ages.*
 2. *In all of Galilee, in city or village,
he goes among his people curing their illness.*
 3. *Sing then of David's son, our Saviour and brother;
in all of Galilee was never another.*
 4. *He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation;
he took upon himself the sins of the nation.*
 5. *He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen,
and he will share with us his heavenly vision.*
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Congregation returns to BUC

Re-gathering in the church.

Musicians to “play us in” with whatever they like

Welcome back and introduction to what follows

Ian

Prayers of the People

Reader 1 - Jenn Bagalar, Reader 2 - Natalie Sims

Reader 1: Today, as we remember Christ who rode into Jerusalem on a donkey rather than a war-horse, We pray for peace between nations, and an end to the violence of war throughout the world.

Reader 2: *Today, as we gather as the people of Brunswick, We pray to see new ways to help the poor and lonely in our area, and for safety for all who live and visit here.*

Reader 1: Today, as we remember the way Jesus responded those who challenged him, We pray for all those who work for truth and justice in our world today.

Reader 2: *Today, as we gather with our neighbouring churches, We pray for continued co-operation between Christian communities, and an end to religious intolerance.*

Reader 1: Today, as we look towards the story of Jesus’ arrest and crucifixion, We pray for those who face unfair trial, and those unjustly imprisoned, including political prisoners, refugees and asylum seekers.

Reader 2: *Today, as we gather as people who are feeling well, We pray for those who are at home or in hospital due to sickness or to vulnerability, and for those who care for them.*

Reader 1: Today, as we look towards Christ’s resurrection from the dead, We pray with hope for a world that is renewed and made whole.

Reader 2: In the name of Christ, bringer of peace and salvation, Amen

Notices

Ian

Ian:

- Morning tea in hall
- Holy Week meditation/contemplation group Tuesday night.
- Wesley Trigg 95th

Song

led by Phil Hudson

Blessing and Sending

UCA, Baptists and Salvos

Sending Song

Jesus is coming, Pave the way with branches (Sing! Prayer and Praise 132 verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

1. *Jesus is coming. Pave the way with branches.
Jesus is coming. Hosanna!*

*Hosanna. Jesus is coming,
Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.*

*Hosanna. Jesus is coming,
Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.*

2. *Hope for the downtrod. Pave the way with branches.
Hope for the downtrod. Hosanna!*
4. *Debts are forgiven. Pave the way with branches.
Debts are forgiven. Hosanna!*
5. *Release for the captives. Pave the way with branches.
Release for the captives. Hosanna!*

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Thank you for joining us, and thank you to...

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Closing Verse:

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God. Psalm 118:26