St. Philip's Anglican Church

**April 13, 2025**

A Parish of the Anglican Diocese of New Westminster

*The Most Reverend John Stephens, Archbishop*
*The Reverend Anne Privett, Celebrant and Preacher*
*Michael Murray, Director of Music*

**A Note on the Liturgy….**

This service is a mixture of the Jerusalem and Roman church traditions. In the first centuries of the church in Jerusalem, Christians re-lived Jesus' last days beginning with his triumphal entry into Jerusalem. In the Roman tradition, before the Holy Week services developed, the Sunday before Easter was chosen to hear the reading of the Passion. The combination of these two traditions gives this service a "particular movement: the height of triumph to the depths of passion; the triumphant Messiah understood in the light of the cross".

Our service begins with a liturgy where the palms are blessed, we hear of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and we enter that procession with songs of 'Hosanna!'. We then transition into the telling of the Passion narrative and our 'Hosannas' turn to 'Crucify him'; the whole tone of the service changes. The service concludes in silence ushering us into Holy Week. This Sunday brings us into the 'yes' and 'no' we, and all of humanity, have said to God and in so doing prepares us to set our faces towards Jerusalem with Christ, the one who bears both our 'yes' and 'no' through death and into life.

**Welcome**

*Those wishing to be part of the procession, please gather outside the front of the church by the ramp (weather permitting).*

**Acknowledgement**

***Celebrant*** We acknowledge that we are gathered on the traditional territory of the *xʷməθkwəy̓əm* (Musqueam), *Sḵwx̱wú7mesh* (Squamish) and *Səl̓ílwətaʔ* (Tsleil-Waututh) nations who have sought to walk gently on this land.

***All*** **We seek a new relationship with the original Peoples of this land, one rooted in and based on honour and deep respect.**

***A moment of silence is kept***

## – The Liturgy of the Palms –

***Celebrant*** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!
***All*** **Hosanna in the highest!**

*The priest offers the introduction to the day.*

### The Palm Gospel

*The congregation reads the bold sections*

***Reader*** The Lord be with you.
***All*** **And also with you.**

***Reader*** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
***All*** **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'"

So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, **"Why are you untying the colt?"** They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, 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 in the crowd said to him, **"Teacher, order your disciples to stop."** He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

*Reader* The Gospel of Christ
*All* **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## The Blessing of the Palms

*Celebrant* We 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 forever.
*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
*All* **Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## All Glory, Laud, and Honour

***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 company of angels are praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply. ***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***

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. ***Refrain***

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Almighty and everliving 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.

*All* **Amen.**

**Youth and/or Children's Prayer**

*We hold space for the voices of youth and children in worship.*

## – THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD –

**First Reading** Isaiah 50:4-9A *Sheryl MacKay*

*Reader* Word of God, word of life.

*All* **Thanks be to God**.

**Psalm** 31:9-16 ***Refrain:***

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.
For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

*Refrain*

I have become a reproach to all my enemies
and even to my neighbours,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance;
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

I am forgotten like a corpse, out of mind;
I am as useless as a broken pot.
For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around;
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.

*Refrain*

But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord
I have said, "You are my God.
My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your loving-kindness save me."

**Second Reading** Philippians 2:5-11 *Derek Simpkins*
***Reader*** Word of God, word of life.
***All*** **Thanks be to God**.

**The Passion Gospel**

***Reader*** **The Holy Gospel According to Luke**
*See insert*

**Homily**

***Silence is kept for reflection***

**The Apostles' Creed**
***Celebrant*** Let us confess the faith of our baptism,
as we say,
***All*** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,**
**creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit**
**and born of the Virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,**
**was crucified, died, and was buried.**
**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**
**He ascended into heaven,**
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
**the holy catholic Church,**
**the communion of saints,**
**the forgiveness of sins,**
**the resurrection of the body,**
**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the Community** *Intercessor, Debbie Matheson*

**Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* Lord God our maker and redeemer, this is your world and we are your people. Come among us and make us your new creation:

*All* **We have willfully misused your gift of creation;**
*Celebrant* Lord, be merciful:
*All* **forgive us our sin.**

*All* **We have seen the ill-treatment of others and have not gone to their aid**;
*Celebrant* Lord, be merciful:
*All* **forgive us our sin.**

*All* **We have condoned evil and dishonesty and failed to strive for justice;**
*Celebrant* Lord, be merciful:
*All* **forgive us our sin.**

*All* **We have not been true to the mind of Christ.**
*Celebrant* Lord, be merciful:
*All* **forgive us our sin.**

*All* **We have not loved you with all our heart, nor our neighbours as ourselves;**
*Celebrant* Lord, be merciful:
*All* **forgive us our sin.**

*Celebrant* The almighty and merciful Lord
grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.
*All* **Amen.**

**The Peace**

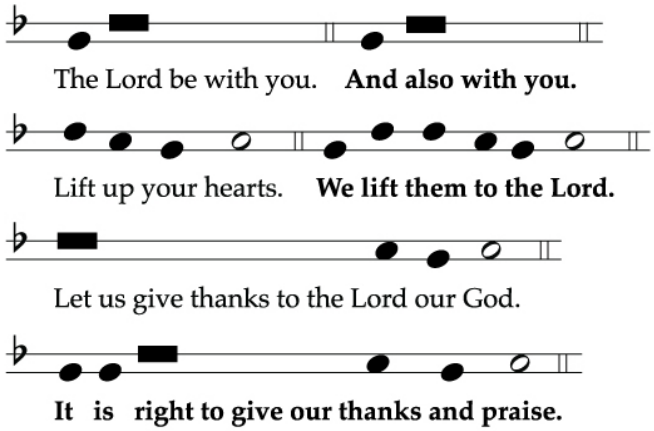
*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
*All* **And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn #182 – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty**

– THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST –

**Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* 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.
*All* **Amen**.



*Celebrant* It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image:
male and female you created us.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,
but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.
Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age,
we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Sanctus (Tune # 689)** *by D. Hurd*

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**
**God of power and might,**
**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise.

In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need.

In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,

and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,

and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, " Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God,
his perfect sacrifice
destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life
you give us life for evermore.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith

*All* **Christ has died,**
**Christ is Risen,**
**Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
*All* **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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* We break this bread:
*All* **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

*Celebrant* Let you Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.
*All* **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

*Celebrant* These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
*All* **Thanks be to God!**

**Agnus Dei #690** *by D. Hurd*

**Communion**

*Communion is shared in bread and wine (common cup) from two stations at the front.*
*If you'd prefer a blessing, please choose the station with clergy & place your arms over your chest.*
*Gluten-free wafers available by request.*

**Surely He Has Borne Our Griefs** by JJ Martin

**Hymn #360 – Bless the Lord, My Soul**

**Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.
*All* **And your faithful servants bless you.**
**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us**
**with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**
**May we, who share his body, live his risen life;**
**we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;**

**we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.**
**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,**
**So that we and all your children shall be free,**
**and the whole earth live to praise your name;**
**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Parish Announcements** *Churchwardens*

**Hymn # 400 – What Wondrous Love is This?**

*Last verse sung a capella.*
*Please depart in silence when you are ready.*
*We begin our journey into Holy Week.*

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*Please join us in the Hall/Gym for coffee and conversation*

# *– PRAYERS –*

*Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:*

Sam, Noelle, Sophia, Brian, Damisi, Ruth & Family, Doreen, Alan, Gaven, Aaron, Nixon, Joanne, her daughter & brother, Dena, Cynthia, Jock, Ann, Angharad, Nancy, Cora, Gene & Liz.

We pray for those nominees for the Office of Primate: Christopher Harper, Greg Kerr-Wilson, David Lehmann, Riscylla Walsh-Shaw. We ask God's wisdom as the national church discerns who to call into leadership.

We pray for Bea, Maddy, Sarah, Peter and Kiki who are preparing for confirmation in our region. God guide and direct them.

We pray for those who have recently died, especially Sheila Roberts, and for all those whose ashes rest in our Memorial Garden and for comfort and peace for all loved ones and friends who are experiencing loss.

*If you would like a name added to the Prayer List, please contact Daphne Francis with our Pastoral Care Team at* prayers@stpdunbar.com

## – Announcements –

- **Flowers for Easter** – Help make our church look beautiful for Easter. The Altar Guild is requesting donations of Spring Flowers and greens that will be used to decorate the church in celebration of the Joy of Easter morning. Donations can be dropped off at 9:30 am, Saturday April 19 in the Narthex. The Altar Guild team will be there to receive and arrange. Thank you.

- **Parish Discernment Process:** Last session Wednesday April 30 at 7:30pm.

- A reminder – the **Kiwanis Music Festival** is at St Philip's **April 5th - April 29th** from 9:00am – 9:00pm Mondays to Saturdays, and Sundays starting at 2:00pm. Thank you for your ongoing patience and grace in accommodating shifts to our parish life during this wonderfully full and musical month of April. Please see the newsletter for additional Kiwanis details.

*Further news and announcements are shared through our weekly e-newsletter.*
*If you do not receive the St. Philip's newsletter and would like to, please contact the office.*

# Calendar

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| Sun, Apr 13 | 10:00 am | Palm Sunday (Red) – The Sunday of the Passion<br>ISAIAH 50:4-9a; PSALM 31:9-16<br>PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11; LUKE 22:14-23:56 |
| Tues, Apr 15 | 10:00 am | Dunbar Seniors' Café – *in Garden Room for April* |
| Weds, Apr 16 | 7:30 pm | Centering Prayer – *in Upstairs Office for April* |
| Thurs, Apr 17 | 6:30 pm | Maundy Thursday Supper and Service |
| Fri, Apr 18 | 12:00 pm | Good Friday Choral Service |
| | *Statutory Holiday for office staff* | |
| Sat, Apr 19 | 7:45 pm | Easter Vigil |
| Sun, Apr 20 | 10:00 am | Easter Sunday Choral Eucharist |
| Weds, Apr 23 | 6:00 pm | Worship Committee Meeting |
| | 6:30 pm | Apathy is Boring |
| Sun, Apr 27 | 9:00 am | Morning service is early today! |
| | 11:00 am | Sheila Roberts Memorial Service |
| Tues, Apr 29 | 7:30 pm | Parish Council Meeting |
| Weds, Apr 30 | 7:30 pm | *Discernment Process with Rev'd Anne* |
| Sat, May 3 | 7:00 pm | Centennial Quiz Night |
| Sun, May 4 | 10:00 am | Patronal Festival, Archbishop John |
| Mon, May 5 | Noon | Friendship Circle gathering and presentation |
| Mon, May 5 – Weds May 7 | Rev'd Anne away at Clergy Conference | |