



***Welcome to the parish of
St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville B.C.***

Sunday, March 29th, 2026.

**The Sunday of the Passion, with the Liturgy of the Palms
9:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer
(Book of Common Prayer)**

The Liturgy of the Palms

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph. The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise, but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering, and death. Today we greet him as our King, although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by way of the dark road of suffering and death. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.

Let us pray: Assist us mercifully with your help, Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Please stand as you are able for The Gospel)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke

(Ch. 19: 28-40)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(At the conclusion of The Gospel)

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Blessing of the Palms

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right to 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. **Amen.**

Leader: Let us go forth in peace.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Palm Processional

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, “His mercy endures for ever.”

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

“This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! Lord, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

“You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.”

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Hosanna

(The anthem is spoken while processing around the sanctuary).

**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, O Lord, my
God! Hosanna in the highest!**

(During the procession, all hold palms crosses in their hands, stop for The Collect).

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(And then continue saying as we return to our seats).

All: “Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!”

Psalm 31:9-16

REFRAIN: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

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. **R**

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 dead man, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot. **R**

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. But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, “You are my God”. **R**

“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.” **R**

The First Reading

From the book of Isaiah (*Ch. 50: 4-9A*)

The Second Reading

From the book of Philippians (*Ch. 2: 5-11*)

The Collect of The Day

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Offertory

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. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Thank you:

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Your leadership, support and example are greatly valued and appreciated!

Announcements

- Apr 2nd:** Ladies Group – 1:30pm – Multipurpose Room
Apr 15th: Men’s Breakfast – 8:30am – Country Grocer
Café, Bowen Rd
Apr 15-16th: Garage Sale drop off
Apr 17-18th: Spring Garage Sale – 9am -2pm

All detailed event information can be found on the St. Philips website under the Events page: www.stphiliplantzville.ca

***In the Worldwide Anglican Community, we pray for:
The Anglican Church of Melanesia***

***In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for: The
Rev. John Gram, The Rev. Dr. Wayne Short and the Parish of
Holy Trinity, Sooke.***

***This week in our Parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we
pray for: Barbara Samarin, Ernie Schwab, Bob and Sue Se,
Chris and Joy Sheppard, David Skipsey, and for all their
families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the
world.***

Upcoming Service Reminders

Thursday, April 2nd, 2026 @7:00pm
Maundy Thursday
Celebrant: Reverend Caleb Lawrence

Friday, April 3rd, 2026 @9:30am
Good Friday
Celebrant: Reverend Michael Wimmer

Sunday, April 5th, 2026 @9:30am
Easter Sunday
Service of Morning Prayer (BAS)
Service Leader: Reverend Rosemary Mathews

