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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

We are so glad to have you worship with us!

We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.



Palm Sunday 10:30 AM - Sunday, March 24, 2024

Celebrant: The Rev. Yohan Dumpala Preacher: The Rev. Molly Finlay Subdeacon: John Quaggin Intercessor: Janice Yorke Chalice Bearer: Tyler McKenna Server: Henry Moss

Music Director: Cara Halpin Soloists: Jaclyn Siou, Tarquin Wongkee, Daniel Rojas

Guitarist: Edward Cockerton

Prelude Music

Welcome & Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

The Liturgy of the Palms

Celebrant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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 for ever.

People Amen.

CP 181 - All Glory, Laud and Honour

The Procession with Palms

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honour 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]

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

All And also with you.

Celebrant

Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open,

all desires known,

and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration

of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect of the Day

taken from A New Zealand Prayer Book

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Jesus, when you rode into Jerusalem

the people waved palms with shouts of acclamation.

Grant that when the shouting dies

we may still walk beside you even to a cross;

for the glory of your holy name.

All Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Choir Hail and Hosanna!

Blest is he who comes

in God's own name to make our world God's home!

All Hail and Hosanna!

Blest is he who comes

in God's own name to make our world God's home!

Choir Open for me the gates of the righteous;

I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord

through which the righteous may enter."

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;

you have become my salvation.

All Hail and Hosanna!

Blest is he who comes

in God's own name to make our world God's home!

Choir The stone the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone;

the Lord has done this,

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

The Lord has done it this very day, let us rejoice today and be glad.

Lord, save us!

Lord, grant us success!

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

All Hail and Hosanna!

Blest is he who comes
in God's own name to make our world God's home!

Choir The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine on us.
With boughs in hand,
join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you."

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

All Hail and Hosanna!

Blest is he who comes
in God's own name to make our world God's home!

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel is carried down the centre aisle into the midst of the people gathered, as a symbol of God's sending out of Jesus—who is the "Word made flesh" into the world.

All Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to (Mark 11:1-11) Bethany with the twelve.

Celebrant People The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

The Sermon

The Rev. Molly Finlay

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant All Let us confess our faith as we say,

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please sit or kneel for prayer)

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

All

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Please stand)

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Sharing "peace" with one another is an ancient Christian tradition, not only in the words of Jesus, but also in the practices of the Christian community.

Passing the peace began as a way for people in the Christian community to be reconciled to one another before making their offering at the altar.

It is for this reason that the Peace always comes before Communion. We impart the Peace of Christ with one another when we greet each other in this meaningful way.

(Please remain standing and join in singing)

Offertory Music

Hosanna (Praise is Rising) (Paul Baloche)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You. Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You.

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day; in Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Refrain:

Hosanna, hosanna! You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, hosanna! Come have Your way among us. We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You. In your kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new.

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day; in Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away. [Refrain]

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Invitation to Offering

We at St. John the Baptist Norway give regularly to God's work through offerings and other gifts. Our offerings support the life of the parish, as well as the work we do in the world, both locally and globally. We invite you to contribute financially as you can to the life and ministry of the parish.

If you wish to donate online through Canada Helps, please scan the QR code and follow the link. To sign up for pre-authorized giving, you may contact the Church Office at admin@stjohnsnorway.com or call us at 416-691-4560. Thank you!



(Please stand)

The 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.

People Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of love. Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

All

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

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,

for the goodness and love

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

Celebrant

you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,

we are bold to say,

People Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

All Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant Let your 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.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

People Thanks be to God!

CP 685 - Lamb of God

All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

grant us thy peace.

We are pleased to now offer communion in both kinds—the bread and wine. You are welcome to take a small sip of wine from the chalice server, guiding the cup with your hand, or you can simply pass the cup by. Please know that you are receiving full communion with the bread alone.

Communion Music

The Palms (Jean-Baptiste Fauré)
Hosanna (C. Tuttle)

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!

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, O Lord my God! Glory to the King of kings!

(Please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

God our help and strength,

you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food.

Strengthen our faith,

that through the death and resurrection of your Son,

we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and for ever.

All Amen.

Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

All whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more

than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Announcements

(Please stand)

Closing Hymn CP 182 - Ride On, Ride On in Majesty (verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! all the tribes "Hosanna" cry; O Saviour meek, pursue thy road with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; the Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Dismissal

Leader Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude Music

St. John's This Week

Today No Table Service due to combined Palm Sunday Service

Wednesday Mid-Week Eucharist in the Chapel 12noon

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession) 10AM - 11AM, 1PM - 2PM

Thursday Maundy Thursday Evening Service in the Sanctuary 7PM

Garden Watch in the Sanctuary 9PM

Friday Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary 10AM

Saturday The Great Vigil of Easter Evening Service in the Sanctuary 8PM

Sunday Easter Sunday Service in the Sanctuary 10:30AM

No Table Service due to combined Easter Sunday Service

Please note: Our Church Office and Food Pantry will be closed on Easter Monday, April 1st. The Church Office will reopen Tuesday April 2nd 9AM – 1PM. The Food Pantry will resume on Monday April 9th.

Welcome to St. John's Norway

No matter where you find yourself on your journey of faith, **you are so welcome to be here with us!** We are a community of people—young and old, from all backgrounds and walks of life, who are learning to follow Jesus. We ask questions, don't avoid the tough issues that life presents, and we want to love our neighbours. **Please** fill out a Welcome Card online. We would love to hear from you!

Easter Memorial Flowers

Don't forget to sign up to contribute to our Easter flowers in memory of your loved ones or in thanksgiving for a person or blessing in your life. **Contact Edward at the office for more information.** Names of donors will be printed in our Easter bulletin. Help us make our Easter sanctuary resplendent with glorious blooms!

Easter Decoration

If you have the eye for décor or just want to beautify our worship space for Holy Week, please consider helping out on Saturday, March 30th at 9:30AM – 10:00AM to help prepare our church for The Great Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday! Talk to Marion Cronsberry on the Chancel Guild for more information.

Request from our Refugee Committee

Our newest family of five-- parents and their three children, ages 21, 18 and 10 will be arriving in the coming months and we have begun to collect furniture and household items. Our list includes specific kitchen and bathroom items, cleaning supplies, furniture, and various miscellaneous items. Any help is really appreciated. Please talk to Joanne Hincks or John Quaggin or contact either at joanne.hincks@gmail.com or at joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@gmailto:joanne.hincks@

St. John's Food Pantry would love your help!

A huge thank you for your continuing support of our food pantry through your generous donations of non-perishable food items. Right now, in particular, we are in most need of pasta, rice, ready made pasta and rice packages (e.g. "kraft" dinner etc), sardines, soup and baked beans.

Choir

The choir rehearses at 7pm on Thursdays in our beautiful church. We are always looking for new members! If you are interested please contact Cara at music@stjohnsnorway.com or call her at 416-712-7922 for more details.

Norway Needlework Group

The Norway Needlework Group meets on Wednesdays from 1:00 – 2:30PM in the Prideaux Room. Anyone can join and there will be free knitting and crochet lessons as well. Come and see!



Sunday, March 24 - 10:30AM

Palm Sunday Service

Thursday, March 28 - 7:00PM

Maundy Thursday Evening Service

Friday, March 29 - 10:00AM

Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30 - 8:00PM

The Great Vigil of Easter Evening Service

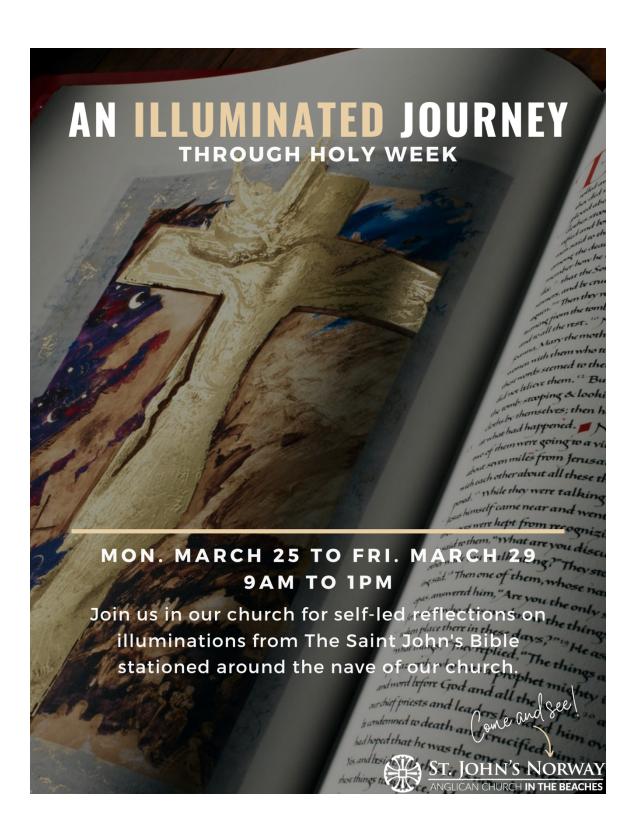
Sunday, March 31 - 10:30AM

Easter Sunday Service



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The land we are standing on today is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many distinct First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. Wealso acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Williams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands.



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