

The Anglican Church of St. Peter, Quamichan  
**The Sunday of the Passion – With the Liturgy of the Palms**  
**Liturgy of the Word (BAS) – March 28, 2021**

Officiant: People of God in this place and in all places, once again, we give thanks that you are worshipping with this community and we welcome you to the Anglican Church of St. Peter, Quamichan as part of our virtual church family. Today, we gather together outside to share in the Liturgy of the Palms before moving into the church to partake in the Passion Sunday service together.

**Opening Acknowledgment:**

Officiant: We gather on the lands of the Coast Salish People.  
We enjoy the hospitality of the Cowichan Tribes.  
We live, work and worship on these traditional lands of the First Nations people.  
We continue to commit ourselves to walking towards reconciliation of all of God's people.

Officiant: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**All: Hosanna in the highest.**

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 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.**

Deacon: May God be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Deacon: The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

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

Officiant: 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. **Amen.**

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The people process with palms up the path pausing at the entrance into the church*

Officiant: God be with you

All: **And also with you**

Officiant: Let us pray

Almighty God,

All: **whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory, may we, walking in the way of the cross, find it is for us the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The people enter the church (filmed inside towards the door as people enter – while the hymn is played)*

**Hymn: All Glory, Laud and Honour**

Officiant: 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.**

### **Collect for Purity**

Officiant: 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.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

Officiant: Almighty and ever living God,

All: **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.**

**Hymn: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty**

**First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a**

**Psalm: 31:9-16**

*Let us say together the appointed verses of Psalm 31 alternately by the half verse.*

9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; \* **my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.**

10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; \* **my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

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

12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \* **I am as useless as a broken pot.**

13 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.**

14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. \* **I have said, "You are my God.**

15 My times are in your hand; \* **rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \* **and in your loving-kindness save me.**

Together let us pray,

**Helper of the helpless, comfort of the afflicted, may your servants who stand in the midst of evil find strength in the knowledge of your presence, and praise you for the wonders of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.**

### Gospel Reading - The Passion Play

Homily – Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk

*Music for reflection*

### The Nicene Creed

Deacon: Let us affirm our faith, as we say,

All: **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.**

### Prayers of the People – Kirsten Evenden, Seminarian

Hymn: O Sacred Head, Surrounded

### **Confession and Absolution:**

Deacon: Dear friends in Christ, let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

Most merciful God,

All: **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.**

Officiant: 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.**

### **The Peace**

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

### **Blessing:**

Priest: Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

### **Dismissal:**

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**