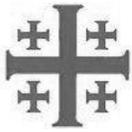


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Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019



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## Palm Sunday

8:30 am - Divine Service

9:45 am - Sunday School, and Bible Classes for All Ages

11:00 am - Divine Service with Commissioning of Stephen Ministers

12:15 pm - Special Voters' Meeting

3:30 pm - Slovak Service

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship Bells

Processional Psalm

Psalm 118 (Select verses)

*Pastor* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*People* **Amen.**

*Pastor* Hosanna!

*People* **Hosanna! Save us, we pray, O LORD!  
O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

*Pastor* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

*People* **We bless You from the house of the LORD.**

*Pastor* Open to me the gates of righteousness,

*People* **that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.**

*Pastor* This is the gate of the LORD;

*People* **the righteous shall enter through it.**

*Pastor* I thank You that You have answered me

*People* **and have become my salvation.**

*Pastor* The stone that the builders rejected

*People* **has become the cornerstone.**

*Pastor* This is the LORD'S doing;

*People* **it is marvelous in our eyes.**

*Pastor* This is the day that the LORD has made;

*People* **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

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O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

*Pastor* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

*People* **We bless You from the house of the LORD.**

*All* **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit  
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen,**

**Processional Hymn****All Glory Laud and Honor***LSB #442 vs 1,3,5*

**All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.  
You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessèd One.**

**All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.  
The multitude of pilgrims With palms before You went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems Before You we present.**

**All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.  
As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King.**

**Prayer of the Day**

*Pastor* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Pastor* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*People* **Amen.**

**Hymn****There is a Redeemer**

**There is a Redeemer—Jesus, God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.  
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit Till the work on earth is done.**

**Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain.  
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit Till the work on earth is done.**

**When I stand in glory, I will see His face;  
There I'll serve my King forever In that holy place.  
Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit Till the work on earth is done.**

## Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 32:36-39

<sup>36</sup>The LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining bond or free. <sup>37</sup>Then he will say, "Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, <sup>38</sup>who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! <sup>39</sup>"See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

*Pastor* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Pastor* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem

(11:00 ~ Church Choir)

*"Hosanna, Hosanna!"*

*by Joseph M. Martin, J. Paul Williams*

## Holy Gospel: St. Luke 19:28-40

*Pastor* The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the nineteenth chapter.

*People* **Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>28</sup>After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup>As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, <sup>30</sup>"Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it.' "

<sup>32</sup>Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

<sup>34</sup>They replied, "The Lord needs it."

<sup>35</sup>They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it.

<sup>36</sup>As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

<sup>37</sup>When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

<sup>38</sup>"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

<sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"

<sup>40</sup>"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

*Pastor* This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Hymn of the Day

**No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet**  
LSB #444

## Sermon

Psalm 118:19-29

### **"THE ONE THE WORLD REJECTED"**

<sup>19</sup>*Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.*

<sup>20</sup>*This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.*

<sup>21</sup>*I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.*

<sup>22</sup>*The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.*

<sup>23</sup>*This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.*

<sup>24</sup>*This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

<sup>25</sup>*Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!*

<sup>26</sup>*Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.*

<sup>27</sup>*The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.*

*Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!*

<sup>28</sup>*You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.*

<sup>29</sup>*Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!*

## Hymn

**Lamb of God** LSB #550

## Commissioning of Stephen Ministers (11:00)

## Parish Announcements and Gathering of Offering

## Prayer of the Church

## Lord's Prayer

*All* **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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Antem (11:00 ~ Church Choir)

*"Go Out With Joy" by Wade Odum*

Benediction

*Pastor* The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

*People* **Amen.**

## Hymn

**Ride On, Ride On in Majesty** LSB #441

<b>Preacher</b> .....	Pastor Nolan Astley
<b>Officiant</b> .....	Pastor Roland Syens
<b>Organist</b> .....	Jennifer Massicotte
<b>Church Choir</b> .....	Jennifer Massicotte ( <i>Director</i> ), Heather Schein ( <i>piano</i> ), Gabrielle George ( <i>tambourine</i> ), Lauren Gray ( <i>keyboard</i> )
<b>Special Music</b> .....	Anne Forler & Jennifer Massicotte ( <i>piano duet</i> ) Evangeline Branje & Jennifer Massicotte ( <i>11:00 piano duet</i> )
<b>Acolytes</b> .....	Kate Sommer ( <i>8:30</i> ), Kaylee Manuel ( <i>11:00</i> )

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**Prayer Concerns:** in our prayers today we ask God's blessings upon our **Stephen Ministers** who are commissioned this morning as well as upon our entire **Stephen Ministry**. May God grant his grace to **care givers and care receivers!** We also ask God to bless our observance of **Holy Week**, that it be a time of renewed faith in our Saviour and joy in His conquering love. We lift up to the Lord those who have needs of body, mind or spirit and ask God to grant healing and peace according to His will.

**Today we welcome 5 newly trained Stephen Ministers:** Ken Baxter, Kim Griffin, Doris LeBlanc, Fred (Alfred) LeBlanc, and Lenora Wallden. These newly trained Stephen Ministers will be joining Gerry Lantz, Roy Sullivan, Ila Wentzlaff and Lydia Weimer to make up a team of 9 Stephen Ministers along with Pastor Roland and Anita Syens our Stephen Leaders. We thank the Lord as we celebrate 20 years of Stephen Ministry here at Holy Cross.

**Children's Lenten Activity Bulletins**...Are available for ages 3-6 or 7-12. Ask an usher for a bulletin to help your kids follow the service in an activity based way.

**Special Voters' Meeting Today!** The purpose of this meeting will be to serve written "Notice of Motion" to amend the Constitution and Bylaws of the congregation to implement a revised governance structure. There will be no vote at this meeting; however questions will be welcome. The proposed changes will be put to a vote at the next regular Voters' Assembly meeting on May 7, 2019.

## Today's Education Hour...

**Sunday School** we will be celebrating the triumphal entry with a special Palm Sunday lesson. Next week we'll be showing an Easter movie during the regular Sunday School time. Join us at 9:30 am in the basement.

**Adult Bible Class** this morning will focus on Luke's account of the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ. From Luke we hear Jesus praying on the cross for the forgiveness of those who crucify Him, assuring a repentant man that he will be in paradise and trusting the Father in all His suffering. Grab a coffee and join the discussion at 10 am in the sanctuary.

**Youth Bible Class** Today the youth will be meeting with Lenora to talk about the events leading up to Good Friday.

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## Coming Events...

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**From the darkness of death to the Light of the Resurrection** – come and join your sisters and brothers from the Kitchener Circuit as we gather for the Vigil of Easter, **beginning at 7pm this Saturday, April 20** at Faith Lutheran Church, 247 Westmount Road East in Kitchener. This service of Scripture Readings, Baptismal Remembrance, and the Lord's Holy Supper brings to us the joy of Christ's empty tomb, and our promise of life in Him. You are very, very welcome to attend.

**Easter Breakfast Reminder..**if you will donate nut free muffins or other baked goodies to our Easter breakfast **Sunday, April 21, 8:30-10:00 a.m.**, please sign up in the parlour at the Welcome Centre.

**Youth Take Out Fundraiser** Order your chicken casserole by **Thursday, April 25** and you can pick it up on **Saturday, April 27**. Order forms are at the Welcome Centre.

**Care and Protect** (*formerly Abuse Prevention*) training sessions are coming soon. **Sunday, April 28 at 12:15** is a full training session. **Sunday, June 9 & 23 at 9:45 sharp** is the refresher training (for those who've previously taken the full training). Please plan to attend one of these sessions if you're a volunteer. If you have any questions contact Janet Cumby in the office or at [janet@holycrosskitchener.org](mailto:janet@holycrosskitchener.org).

**Women's Renewal Weekend** is being held **Friday May 2 & Saturday May 3** at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre. Our speaker, Lisa Jackson from Lutheran Hour Ministries, will cover the topic "Serving with Joy and Spiritual Conversations in a digital world." Registration information is available at the Welcome Centre or at [www.holycrosskitchener.org](http://www.holycrosskitchener.org).

**Golf Tournament** will be held at **Rockway Golf Course on Sunday, May 26**. The cost is \$75/person and that includes 9 holes followed by dinner. For any questions, contact Alex Drung: email at [drungmeister@hotmail.com](mailto:drungmeister@hotmail.com) or call at 416-804-8521. Sign up sheet available in the parlor.

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## Please Note...

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**Update from Parish Planning Council re: Building renovations.** This past Wednesday evening the PPC was updated on the progress toward renovating the church building. If we are able to raise \$55,000 by mid-May it is entirely possible the sanctuary will be air conditioned in time for the heat of summer. So far we have raised \$19,610 toward this project and we ask members to prayerfully consider making a special offering to help us achieve this goal. During summer heat many people, both young and old, stay away from church due to the heat in the building.

**Stuff The Mattress** This spring the Sunday School children will be fundraising to buy mattresses for the South Sudanese orphans living in Gambela through the Children of Promise International (COPI). Keep an eye on the bulletin board for weekly updates on how many mattresses they will be able to purchase.

## Last Week at Holy Cross...

<b>Lenten Service Attendance:</b>	63 & 76	Total 139	('18 – 168)
<b>Sunday Attendance:</b>	103 & 188		
<b>Nuer Attendance:</b>	27	Total 315	('18 – 341)
<b>Communion Attendance:</b>	88 & 154	Total 242	('18 – 108)
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Pupils: 37 Staff: 14	Total 51	('18 – 46)
<b>Adult Bible Class:</b>	Pupils: 66 Staff: 1	Total 67	('18 – 68)
<b>Youth Bible Class:</b>	Pupils: 6 Staff: 1	Total 7	('18 – 5)
<b>YABS:</b>	Pupils: 4 Staff: 2	Total 6	('18 – 4)

**Memorial:** In memory of **MILLIE KRAFT** to the Unified Church Budget from Dan & Ede Marshall. To the Refugee Family Sponsorship from Ila Wentzlaff. In memory of **ROBERT MUELLER** to the Lutheran Hour from Betty Hebner.

## Weekly Calendar

Monday April 15 to Sunday April 21, 2019

<b>Monday</b>	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> .....	10:30 a.m.
	Griefshare, <i>Panel Room</i> .....	6:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	ESL, <i>Historic St. Paul's</i> .....	6:30 p.m.
	Small Group Bible Study, <i>Church Library</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Knotty Ladies, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	9:00 a.m.
	Junior Confirmation, <i>Panel Room</i> .....	6:00 p.m.
	Senior Confirmation, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i> .....	6:00 p.m.
	Board of Stewardship, <i>Church Library</i> .....	7:00 p.m.
	Church Band, <i>Mezzanine</i> .....	8:30 p.m.
<b>Holy Thursday</b>		
	Beginnings, <i>Downstairs</i> .....	9:30 a.m.
	Prayer Group, <i>Church Library</i> .....	9:30 a.m.
	<b>Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
	Church Choir, <i>Church</i> .....	8:00 p.m.
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>Solemn Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
	<b>Solemn Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
	Praise Singers, <i>Church</i> .....	11:15 a.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Day: Resurrection of Our Lord</b>	
	<b>Sunrise Holy Communion Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>7:30 a.m.</b>
	Easter Fellowship Breakfast, <i>Gym</i> .....	8:30 a.m.
	<b>Easter Praise Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>
	Sunday School, <i>Basement</i> .....	9:30 a.m.
	<b>Easter Festival Service</b> , <i>Church</i> .....	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>