

# Palm Sunday

March 28, 2021



Public Domain. Frans Francken the Younger: Entry into Jerusalem  
second quarter of 17<sup>th</sup> century

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

901 Cornwall Crescent

Dawson Creek, BC

## AS WE GATHER

Sunday, “the eighth day of the week,” is celebrated by Christians as the first day of the eternal life into which they were baptized. Today, the beginning of the great and Holy Week of Lent, we begin with the note of great joy as the crowds receive Jesus entering Jerusalem. This will be the last time He comes to the holy city. For we then follow Him to the judgment hall, the cross of suffering, and the fearful tomb of death. The penitential season of Lent concludes with the three holy days, the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Let us follow our Lord and allow Him to take our sins upon Himself that we may receive His new life in the forgiveness of our sins and the joy of the resurrection.

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#### **PROCESSION OF PALMS**

**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:** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People:** **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Processional Hymn #443 Hosanna Loud Hosanna**

*The congregation may raise their branches as the procession concludes with the following:*

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People: Hosanna in the highest.**

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### **Collect of the Day**

Let us pray.

Lord God, on this day Your Son entered the Holy City, Jerusalem, to fulfill Your will by His death on the cross. Help us to follow Him through this week and all our days that we may be drawn closer to You by a faith full of the knowledge of the sacrifice and victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Zechariah 9:9–12*

Epistle Reading *Philippians 2:5–11*

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Holy Gospel *John 12:12–19*

Sermon

**Sermon Hymn # 442 - All Glory Laud and Honor**

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Prayer of the Church

Offering

**Offering Hymn # 422 - On My Heart Imprint Your Image**

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**Closing Hymn # 441- Ride on Ride on in Majesty**

## Announcements

### **In-person services for Good Friday and Easter:**

We have permission to hold services with small groups indoors for 4 days between now and May 13<sup>th</sup>. All the details about in person services can be found below. Please read this carefully and remember that you must pre-register in order to attend any in-person service.

### **Holy Week Services:**

Thur	April 1	7:00pm	Pre-Recorded Maundy Thursday
Fri	April 2	7:00pm	In-Person & Streamed Good Friday
Sun.	April 4	11:00am	In-Person & Streamed Easter Service With Holy Communion

We will offer **additional in-person service times** in order to accommodate all who wish to attend and to stay within our allowed attendance numbers.

All live streamed worship services will also be broadcast to our parking lot over low power FM Radio. If you wish to listen to the service in your car, tune your **FM Radio to 91.1** FM at the time of service.

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### **Organist / Pianist today (Pre-recorded)**

Dorothy Bartlett

## **St. Paul's Lutheran Church Indoor Worship Service Information, as of March 27, 2021**

Greetings in the name of Christ,

On Thursday March 25<sup>th</sup> BC Public Health Authorities have temporarily granted religious communities the opportunity to meet indoors for services. Here is a summary of what our services will look like.

- 1- We are allowed to choose four days in which to hold indoor services between Palm Sunday and Ascension (May 13<sup>th</sup>). We are allowed to have multiple service times on those four days, as long as we follow strict sanitization between services.
- 2- We will plan to hold services on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 3- We will gather no more than 15 people per service (including Pastor) but we are allowed 2 Elders in addition to the 15 people to help make sure we are following all covid protocols.
- 4- We are required to caution anyone over 70 yrs old and those who have underlying health issues, that attending an in-person service will put them at higher risk of serious complications if they contract Covid-19.

- 5- Anyone who wishes to attend an in-person service must pre-register by calling, texting, or emailing Pastor Chris at least 2 days prior to the service being attended. If you are not able to make a service that you registered for, please let Pastor know asap.

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- 6- If you are feeling unwell, or showing symptoms of Covid 19 you must not attend an in-person service until you are well again.
- 7- Masks will be required except for those who are leading / reading. You may temporarily remove a mask for communion, and those under 12 years are not required to wear one.
- 8- Congregational singing is not allowed according to the restrictions. One soloist may sing if precautions are in place... (any volunteers?)
- 9- We are not allowed to gather socially indoors, before or after the service. If you have any other questions or concerns please give Pastor a call 250-467-3801