

Jordan Station United Church est. 1859

**Sunday, April 5, 2020 – Palm Sunday
Liturgical Colour – Purple**

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(performed by Soul Says You)

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Moderator of The United Church of Canada)

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Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Good morning, I am Rev. Anita and I am thrilled that you have joined us today to Worship God together. We begin our Worship by acknowledging and honouring the land upon which we gather today as the historic and traditional territory of First Nations peoples. In particular, we recognize and thank the Anishnabe, Ojibwe/Chippewa, Haudenosaunee, and the Neutral Nation (Attawandaron) for their stewardship of these lands over millennia.

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Join us by lighting your own candle at home

As we light the Christ candle, we are reminded that Christ came into the world to be a light and inspiration to all peoples and not just to a select few. We are called to follow that light by living with respect for all of creation and all people. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with all who live and work and worship on it. Amen

Opening Prayer

Let us pray...God of infinite power, we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came riding into the city of Jerusalem on a lowly donkey, victorious through love and not through violence. Help us to learn the meaning of power and glory through Christ, who, though being one with you, took on the form of a servant and shared our human life and sufferings. May we truly participate in all of the events of Holy and not just today's parade and Sunday's Easter celebration. Help us to walk with you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Call to Worship – Being Intentional about entering into Worship

One: Will you let us walk with you, Jesus, on the road to Jerusalem?

All: We want to greet you with palm branches waving and shouts of Hosanna.

One: Will you let us walk with you, Jesus, to the temple, to the room upstairs and to the cross?

All: We want to share communion and conversation with you at the Last Supper.

One: Will you let us walk with you, Jesus?

All: We want to be with you from the beginning to the end. Amen

Opening Music: Come Lord Jesus (written by C.Tomlin, J. Ingram, J. Cates
(performed by Soul Says You)

Verse 1

All of creation all of the earth,
make straight a highway a path for the Lord
Jesus is coming soon
Call back the sinner wake up the saint,
let every nation shout of Your fame
Jesus is coming soon

Chorus

Like a bride waiting for her groom, we'll be a church ready for You
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, we sing

Tag 1 (2x)

Even so come Lord Jesus come

Verse 2

There will be justice all will be new,
Your name forever faithful and true

Jesus is coming soon

Chorus

Like a bride waiting for her groom, we'll be a church ready for You
Ev'ry heart longing for our King, we sing

Tag 2

Even so come Lord Jesus come, even so come Lord Jesus come

Bridge

So we wait we wait for You, God we wait You're coming soon
So we wait we wait for You, God we wait You're coming soon

Chorus (2x)

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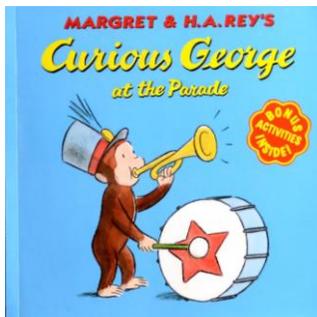
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Children's Time:

Palm Parade featuring Jordan Station Kids!

Story Time: "Curious George at the Parade" by Margret & H.A. Rey



The Word of God:

Prayer for Illumination (Isaiah 50:4) (Read by Aietch)

God of Courage, give us wisdom, that we may sustain the weary with our words.
As we speak, help us also to listen. **Amen.**

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11 (read by The Right Richard Bott, Moderator of the UCC)

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion, look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

One: For the word of God in scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us;

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "I've Got High Hopes!"

(Rev. Anita's sermon will be available online soon)

Sermon Hymn: Faithful (written by Erik Nieder)
(performed by Soul Says You)

Verse 1

Lord, You search me, how You know me
You perceive my every thought from afar
In all my wandering, still You love me
King of Glory, You pursue my anxious heart

Chorus

Even when I'm not, You're faithful
Even when I doubt Your truth holds
Even when I'm lost You won't let me go
When my heart is dry Your grace flows
No matter where I run, I'm not far from home
Yeah, I may be weak but You're able
Even when I'm not, You're faithful
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Bridge (2x)

Where can I go from Your spirit?
Where can I hide from Your face?
Where can I flee from Your presence?
Where would I go, where would I go?
If I rise to the heavens You're with me
If I fall to the depths of the sea
Even there it's Your hand that will lead me
Wherever I go, wherever I go

Chorus 2

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Our Response to God's Word:

Life and Work of Jordan Station United Church - Announcements

Friends, although our Church building is closed, our Programming and Worship continues. We are hosting many things on Facebook Live, via Zoom and on our You Tube Channel so follow us if you can and help us spread the word so that all can stay connected to our church family. <https://facebook.com/JordanStationUnitedChurch>

We are also offering online materials via email so be sure and check every few days for updates. In addition, there is tons of information and links on our website under the Worship tab!

Services & Programs this Week:

Storytime with Rev. Anita @ 11:00 am daily

Creative Spirit with Carolyn Tuesdays @ 10:00 am

****NEW Choir Chat & Singalong Virtual Gathering**

Joyce invites all Choir Members to an on-line virtual gathering!

When: Thursdays @ 2:00pm via Zoom

Contact Joyce at jerb.19@icloud.com for details!

Maundy Thursday (April 9) Communion at Home Face Book Live @ 6:00 pm

Good Friday – We encourage you to seek out a service online or on television today!

Easter Sunday Worship @ 11:00 am

All videos will be posted and stored on our BRAND NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL so they can be viewed at any time. (link coming soon)

Minute for Mission:

Video - Cheryl Keddy Scott from "The Village of Hope"

Offering Invitation & Prayers

We are grateful for the many gifts of time, talent and treasure that are continually being offered by our Church Members and friends. May they continue to make a difference in the world to those living on the margins. To give online please visit our website:

www.jordanstationunitedchurch.org/donate

Let us pray . . . carpet of palm branches; clothes strewn in his path-tokens of loyalty, tokens of enthusiasm. These gifts; tokens of thanksgiving, tokens of commitment, instruments of compassion and service. As you blessed your Holy One, O God, bless these gifts, for they are given in remembrance of him.

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Chorale Prayer: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (Voices United #400)

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Prayers of the People (by The Right Rev. Richard Bott)

Let us pray . . . In this time of COVID-19, we pray:
When we aren't sure, God,
help us be calm;
when information comes
from all sides, correct and not,
help us to discern;
when fear makes it hard to breathe,
and anxiety seems to be the order of the day,
slow us down, God;
help us to reach out with our hearts,
when we can't touch with our hands;
help us to be socially connected,
when we have to be socially distant;
help us to love as perfectly as we can,
knowing that "perfect love casts out all fear."

For the doctors, we pray,
for the nurses, we pray,
for the technicians and the janitors and the
aides and the caregivers, we pray,
for the researchers and theorists,
the epidemiologists and investigators,
for those who are sick,
and those who are grieving, we pray,
for all who are affected,
all around the world...
we pray
for safety,
for health,
for wholeness.

May we feed the hungry,
give drink to the thirsty,
clothe the naked and house those without homes;
may we walk with those who feel they are alone,
and may we do all that we can to heal
the sick—
in spite of the epidemic,
in spite of the fear.

Help us, O God,
that we might help each other.

In the love of the Creator,
in the name of the Healer,
in the life of the Holy Spirit that is in all and with all,
we pray.

May it be so. Let us pray that words that Jesus taught us. . .

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

(A Prayer During Times of COVID-19 by the Right Rev. Richard Bott, originally posted on Facebook.)

Closing our Worship & Going Forth in God's Name

Closing Hymn: Hallelujah Amen (written by Vertical Worship)
(performed by Soul Says You)

Verse 1

Great is the Lord God Al - mighty
Worthy of honour and praise
I stand in awe of His glory
I stand in need of His grace

Chorus

Halle - lu jah, ha - lle - lu - jah
For the Lord our God Al - mighty reigns
Halle - lu - jah, amen

Verse 2

His voice like the rushing of waters
His Word is a tower of strength
His blood is poured out over darkness
And washed it for - ever away

Chorus 2 (2x)

Halle - lu jah, ha - lle - lu - jah
For the Lord our God Al - mighty reigns
Halle - lu - jah, amen

Verse 3

His Spirit is speaking our freedom
Death and its curse have no claim
Our God is for - ever exalted
With glory and honour and praise (and praise)

Chorus 2

Halle - lu jah, ha - lle - lu - jah
For the Lord our God Al - mighty reigns
Halle - lu - jah, amen

Chorus 3

Halle - lu jah, ha - lle - lu - jah
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Tag

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Benediction and Commissioning

Go forth in celebration.

Go forth in peace.

Go forth in joy.

Thanks be to God. Amen

Postlude: He Will Hold Me Fast (CCLI# 7016161)