



**St. Paul's on-the-Hill, Pickering
Sunday, March 29, 2026
10:00am Service**

The Liturgy of the Palms:

MC: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest.

MC: 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 psalms 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.

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.**

The Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

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

MC: 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.

MC: Let us go forth in peace.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Processional Hymn: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna,
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed'
mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven

rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children
should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer;
the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice.

*(Please be seated for a special song from our children and
choir.)*

Children and Choir: Hosanna, Sing Praises

The Collect of the Day: (*said together*)

**Almighty God, 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 Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Reader: Gideon Exeter

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 27:11-54

Reader: Janet Herrera

Sermon: Canon Judy Herron-Graham

Hymn: Hosanna, Praise is Rising

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)

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
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Hosanna hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna!

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried, He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People:

David Karram

Confession

Invitation to Confession

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 your 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.

Absolution

Peace of Christ

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Offertory: All Glory, Laud and Honour CP 181

Refrain:

*All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

1 Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest,
the King and blessed one. *[Refrain]*

2 The company of angels
are praising thee on high;
and we with all creation
in chorus make reply. *[Refrain]*

3 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present. *[Refrain]*

4 To thee before thy Passion
they sang their hymns of praise;

to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *[Refrain]*

5 Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King. *[Refrain]*

Welsh Rite

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer: (Sung)

Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Priest: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Priest: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

- *Please follow the directions given by the Ushers as you come forward for Holy Communion only; if you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. Fold your hands over your chest to indicate this to the administering priest.*
- *You may choose to receive the bread. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, simply receive the bread and return to your seat. You may also touch the base of the chalice while the words of administration are said.*

Communion Hymns: Glory, Glory to the Lamb

1 Glory glory glory to the Lamb
Glory glory glory to the Lamb

Chorus

*For He is glorious and worthy to be praised
The Lamb upon the throne
And unto Him we lift our voice in praise
The Lamb upon the throne*

2 Worthy worthy worthy is the Lamb
Worthy worthy worthy is the Lamb

3 Holy holy holy is the Lamb
Holy holy holy is the Lamb

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Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord,
Holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord,
Holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord,
Worthy is the Lord God Almighty,
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord,
Worthy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God Almighty,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.

Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,
Glory to the Lord God Almighty,
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,
Glory to the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord.

On The Cross

1. On the cross, on the cross,
Where the King of Glory died,
Here is grace, here is love,
Flowing from that wounded side.
Amazing mystery,
That he should die for me,
As a perfect sacrifice.
On the cross, on the cross,
Love incarnate on the cross.

2. At the cross, at the cross,
All my sin on Jesus laid.

Mine the debt, his the cost,
By his blood the price is paid.
And through his suffering,
That fragrant offering,
Arms of love are opened wide.
At the cross, at the cross,
There is healing at the cross.

3. To the cross, to the cross,
Spirit, lead me to the cross.
Bowed in awe at his feet,
Richest gain I count as loss.
Nothing compares with this,
To share his righteousness
And be called a child of God.
To the cross, to the cross,
Spirit, lead me to the cross.

Prayer After Communion:

Priest: 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: Glory to God, 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

Recessional Hymn:

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty **CP 182**

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

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

3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
to see th'approaching sacrifice.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh:
The Father on his sapphire throne
expects his own anointed Son.

5 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 pow'r and reign.

The Dismissal

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Are you visiting with us for the first time today? Welcome! We are glad you are here. If you would like a prayer or a call from clergy, or more information, please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place it on the offering plate.

Holy Week Services





Good Friday

**APRIL 3
11 AM**

With Nursery & Children's Program



HE IS RISEN

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5

7:45am (Traditional Service with Communion)

9:00am (Holy Communion with simple Children's Program)

11:00am (Holy Communion with Sunday School & Easter Egg Hunt)

**Youth Group Game Day – March Gathering
Today, March 29**

Youth are invited to join us for a fun **Youth Group Game Day** today after the **10:00 a.m. service** until **1:00 p.m.** in the **Board Room!**

Come enjoy an afternoon of **board games, laughter, and great fellowship**. Lunch, snacks, and dessert will be provided.

Bring a friend and get ready for a great time together. We hope to see you there!

SPOTH Youth Group— April Meetings: Faith in Action

Field Trip at St. Paul's on-the-Hill Food Bank April 10 | 6:30pm-8:15pm | 1535 Pickering Parkway

We invite our SPOTH Youth Group to take part in a meaningful and hands-on experience as we visit our local food bank!

This special outing is an opportunity for our youth to serve the community, learn about food insecurity, and make a real difference in the lives of others.

Together, we will help sort and organize donations, support the work of the food bank, and reflect on the importance of compassion, gratitude, and sharing with those in need.

All SPOTH youth are welcome—come with a willing heart and ready hands!

Let's serve, learn, and grow together 🍴

SPOTH Youth Community Clean-up Day April 26 | 11:30–1:00 pm | At the church

We invite our SPOTH Youth Group to help care for our neighbourhood! This event is a chance to make a visible difference, work together as a team, and learn the value of stewardship and community service.

We will pick up litter, tidy public spaces, and help create a cleaner, safer, and more welcoming environment for everyone.

Come with energy, a positive attitude, and a heart for helping others—let's make our community shine!

Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Church Office Closure Notice

Please note that the Church Office will be closed on **Good Friday (April 3) and Easter Monday (April 6)**.

The office will reopen and resume regular hours on **Tuesday, April 7th**.

We wish everyone a blessed and joyful Easter!

Registration is now open for our next Baptism service on June 21, 2026.

If you or your child would like to be baptized, please contact the church office at officeadmin@stpaulsonthehill.com to receive a registration form and submit it by **April 12**.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of my daughter, Mabelyn Salmon and my grandson, Colin Salmon, given by Dezna Brown and family.

If you would like to celebrate a special occasion or remember a dear loved one by sponsoring the flowers in the vases at the altar, please contact Barb Thompson at 289-923-0045 or barbthompson@rogers.com. **The cost is \$75.**

