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Although the office is closed to the public, it will be staffed from
Tuesday – Friday from 9am – 4pm

Church Council update: cancellation of worship services (April 5, Holy Week, April 12), gatherings and the church office has been extended for two more weeks. Church Council will meet again April 14, and will continue to meet at least every two weeks for the foreseeable future to assess the situation and review provincial / federal government directives. This will enable us to be responsive to the ever-evolving reality.



PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 5, 2020

Pastor Fran will provide an Online Worship Service, available on the Facebook link (above) starting at 10:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

Worship Services and Devotions are now posted on the web-site.

Our condolences to Lorna and family on the passing of Melvin on March 28, 2020, a husband, father, grandfather

We extend our condolences and prayers to Corey and Rhonda, Heather, Kendrah, Alex, Troy, and their entire family at this time of great loss on the passing of Bentlee, Denis and Sandra.

Prayers for Healing and On-Going Health Concerns:

Kendrah, Fred, Ernie, Robin, Sam, Barb, Arwyn, Rose, Jean, Donald and family, Thelma, Fred Chad, Richard, Dorothy, Audrey, Alice Greening, Agnes, and Abe.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

BLESSING OF PALMS

PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace,
in the name of Christ. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL SONG: #344 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We begin with prayer, as we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection

Silence is kept.

Let us pray together,

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: **Isaiah 50:4-9a**

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:9-16

⁹Have 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.**

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³For 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.**

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

¹⁶**Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY #433 - "BLESSING, HONOR, AND GLORY"

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need, praying Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who taught us to pray...

LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

SENDING SONG #733 - "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ walks with us.
Thanks be to God.