## We are grateful to those who were involved in worship this morning:

Organist: Martin Bohl
Special Music: Joyful Sound!
Greeters: Carol Johnston
Beadle: Patrice Wappler
Worship Assistant: Vin Seunath

Sunday School: Alexis Smith & Sarah English
Tech Team: Laura Einwechter & Dylan Smith

## This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday: Hope Clothing 9:00—11:30 am
Thursday: Hope Clothing Noon—2:00 pm
Thursday: Food Bank Noon—2:00 pm

Thursday: Maundy Thursday service 7:30 pm (at St. Andrew's)
Friday: Good Friday service 10:00 am (at Doon Church)

### Spring Fling 2024 is just around the corner!



Mark your calendars, we have a great list of events happening.

**Debbie Ellis Watercolours:** all new paintings! Saturdays, April 13, 20 & 27

9:00-11:30 or 1:00-3:30 pm (note: am & pm

classes are the same)

**My Sister's Ideas** Sign making workshops on Saturdays, April 13 & 20; 9-11:30 am or 1-3:30 pm.

Journey with Jane Empowerment Session:

Tuesday, April 2; 9:30—11:30 am or 7-8:30 pm

Choral training with Corey Linforth: Saturday, April 27; 10 am—noon

All workshops & sessions require registration and have fees. Please watch your bulletins, social media, bulletin boards, newsletter, webpage for more information and details.

#### Very Special Holy Week Services this year

We will hold our **Maundy Thursday** service, here, on March 28 at 7:30 pm with special guests, Rev. Jen Sokolowsky and the people of Doon Presbyterian Church

A joint **Good Friday** service will be held at Doon Presbyterian Church, 35 Roos St., Kitchener, N2P 2B9, March 29 at 10 am, together with the people and ministers of Doon, Knox Preston, Duffs, St. Andrew's Hespeler & Kitchener East Churches.

#### **DAILY PRAYERS**

**Sunday, March 24 (Palm/Passion Sunday)** Protect us from fickleness and help us be faithful to your calling to follow you, our servant king.

**Monday, March 25** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Waterloo-Wellington.

**Tuesday, March 26** We give thanks for Calvin-Goforth's "Hub Club" ministry as it provides fun and informative programming for seniors in the Saskatoon, SK community.

# Prayer Partnership Engaging in God's Mission Through Word and Action

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# Wednesday, March 27 (Transgender day of Visibility, March 31)

Approaching Transgender Day of Visibility, we pray that visibility will be accompanied by action; that communities, churches and elected officials will contribute to the safety and well-being of transgender people.

**Thursday, March 28 (Maundy Thursday)** Give us, O God, a renewed and growing awareness of what it means to live out Christ's example to love as he loved and to serve as he served.

**Friday, March 29 (Good Friday)** Merciful God, we praise you for your sacrificial love and pray for all those who have suffered violence, and for reconciliation wherever there is division and conflict.

**Saturday, March 30** On this day, Jesus lies in the grave. We trust in the resurrection and in God's power to stir new life among and within us.

# **Mission Moment: March 24**

Following Christ's example to care for the broken-hearted and those crushed in spirit, Anamiewigummig Kenora Fellowship Centre provides care and support for people who have endured intergenerational trauma and profound loss and grief in their lives. The centre promotes healthy grieving practices that include sharing circles and memorial fires, creating a safe space for a time of prayer, sharing sorrow and mourning the loss of loved ones. The community has come to value the importance of the sacred fire teachings



and the warmth and comfort it offers, welcoming all to come just as they are.





# St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church March 24, 2024 Palm/Passion Sunday

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9am-12pm



**Order of Worship.** We will meet in person at 10 am. Or join us on Zoom or Facebook Live. The Zoom link will be posted on the website.

Prelude: Jubilant Fanfare by Craig Penfield

Welcome

Call to Worship:

L: Jesus is Coming.

P: Hosanna!

L: He comes to us riding on a donkey.

P: Hosanna!

L: Open wide the gates!

P: Hosanna!

L: Let us welcome him with branches and songs of praise.

P: Jesus is coming. Hosanna to the King of kings!

Palm Sunday Procession: Hymn #218 Hosanna, loud hosanna 1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang. To Jesus, who had held them close folded to his breast,

the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

- 2. From Olivet they followed amid the shouting crowd, the victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud; Messiah, God's anointed, rode there in humble state, "Hosanna in the highest!" rang out their praises great.
- 3. "Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. Oh may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in God's joyful presence eternally rejoice!

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# Prayer of Approach

L: God of grace and truth, we gather in humility and hope because we believe you have the power to change the world, to change it for the better with your love. We gather because we believe no one is beyond your concern, no one is beyond your embrace. Such love astonishes us. Without your grace, we cannot even imagine such love. In this hour of worship, inspire us with a vision of love which will change the world and our lives for goodness' sake. Amen!

Laying Down our Burdens

Responsive Psalm 31:9-16

- L: Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.
- P: For my life is spent with sorrow and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.
- L: I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbours, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.
- P: I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel. For I hear the whispering of many—terror all around!—as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

L: But I trust in you, O LORD;

# P: I say, "You are my God."

- L: My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
- P: Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

Video Reading: Mark 11:1-11 Read by Jean McMurtrie

Mark 14:43-52

<sup>43</sup> Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived, and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. 44 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." 45 So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. 46 Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. <sup>47</sup> But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. <sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a rebel? 49 Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." <sup>50</sup> All of them deserted him and fled.

<sup>51</sup> A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, <sup>52</sup> but he left the linen cloth and ran

Hymn #216 Hosanna

1. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Lord, we lift up your name with hearts full of praise; Be exalted, O Lord my God! Hosanna in the highest!

2. Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings! Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings! Lord, we lift up your name with hearts full of praise; Be exalted, O Lord my God! Glory to the King of kings!

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Family Time: We will continue to build our Lenten table

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: Hosanna (Praise Is Rising) Joyful Sound

Sermon: The Streaker in the garden

Prayers of the People

Hymn: #214 All glory, laud and honour

- 1. All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosanna ring! Thou are the King of Israel, thou David's royal son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.
- 2. All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosanna ring! The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.
- 3. All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosanna ring! To thee before thy passion They sang their hymns of praise To thee, now high exalted Our melody we raise.
- 4. All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosanna ring! Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

Benediction

Choral Response #780 Amen, amen, amen.

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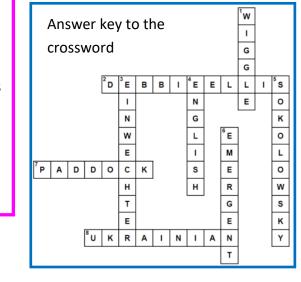
Postlude: March by Mozart

#### Next Week's Sermon:



The Women in the Bible Study will take a break for Holy Week and continue on April

The Fundscrip order will go in today for this month. This month's specials include Ultimate Dining Card



# **Celebration Moment ...**

Congratulations to Adria Marsh! Adria was selected from girls from South Western and Central Ontario to play for the Upright Rogues in a tournament



in Tampa, Fla Mar 26 to Mar 30. The tournament will have teams competing from England, Australia and New Zealand and across the USA and Canada. She is really exited for this and grateful for all the support she gets from St. Andrew's.