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Greyfriars Kirk -Online Worship

Order of Service - Palm Sunday

5th April 2020

1. Bach, Chorale Prelude on "Herzlich tut mich verlangen", BWV 727
(2m 19s)
Henry Wallace

Leader: When my heart was grieved
and my spirit embittered,

All: I was senseless and ignorant;
I was a brute beast before you.

Leader: Yet I am always with you;
you hold me by my right hand.

All: You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will take me into glory.

Leader: Whom have I in heaven but you?
And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

All: My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.



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2. Welcome and introduction - Richard Frazer
3. Prayer of approach - Ken Luscombe
4. Piano Music for reflection - Alison Gregson
5. Bible Reading - Stephanie Rae

Matthew 21.1-13

1When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples,²saying 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.³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.^[a]⁴This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵'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.'

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.⁸A very large crowd^[b]spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,



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

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?'¹¹The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

¹²Then Jesus entered the temple^[c] and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves.¹³He said to them, 'It is written,

"My house shall be called a house of prayer";
but you are making it a den of robbers.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

6. Address

7. Music for reflection – Alison Gregson

8. **Affirmation:**

We believe in God, Creator of all things,
heavenly father and mother,
Soul of infinite love, wisdom, and power,
ruler of all that is and all that is to come,
who is mystery, yet revealed.

We follow Christ, God's chosen one,
who loved and served humbly,
who healed the broken and included the outcast,



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9. who chose to suffer rather than harm
for the sake of the healing of all Creation,
who gave his life for our redemption,
and who was raised by God to new life.
In his teaching, in his death and resurrection,
and in his presence with us in all circumstances,
he reveals God to us.

He calls us to serve him
for the sake of proclaiming God's grace.
We trust that he accompanies us
and will help, guide, heal, and defend us
through all difficulty and suffering.

We believe the Holy Spirit sustains us,
and guides us and empowers us
as servants of God's grace.

We live as the body of Christ,
in the power of forgiveness
and the reality of resurrection,
and the light of eternal life. Amen.

10. O Sacred Head! sore wounded, CH4: 382, playover, 4 verses



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O Sacred Head

1. O Sacred Head! sore wounded,
with grief and shame bowed down!
O Kingly Head, surrounded
with thorns, thine only crown!
How pale art thou with anguish,
with sore abuse and scorn!
How does that face now languish
which once was bright as morn!

2. O Lord of life and glory,
what bliss 'till now was think!
I read the wondrous story;
I joy to call thee mine.
Thy grief and bitter Passion
were all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the transgression,
but thine the deadly pain.

3. What language shall I borrow
to praise thee, heavenly Friend,
for this thy dying sorrow,
thy pity without end?
O make me thine for ever,
and, should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
outlive my love to thee.

4. Be near me, Lord, when dying;
O show thy cross to me;
and, my last need supplying,
come, Lord and set me free;
these eyes, new faith receiving,
from thee shall never move;
for they who die believing
die safely through thy love.

Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676)
translated James Waddell Alexander (1804-1859)



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11. Prayers of hope and concern – Urzula Glienecke

12. The Lord's Prayer

13. Blessing – Richard Frazer