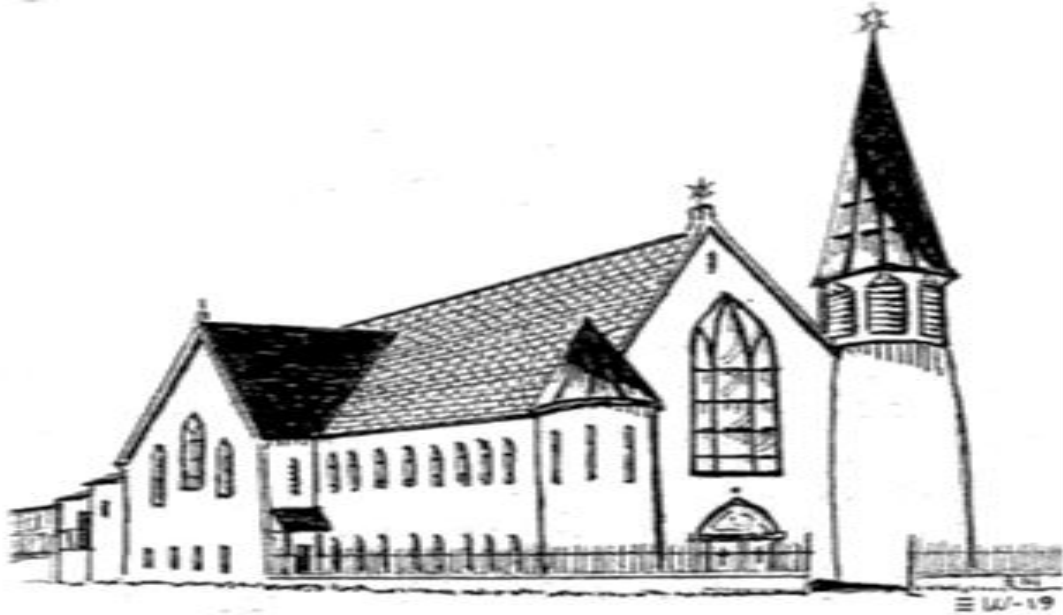


**GEORGE STREET UNITED  
CHURCH  
ROOTED IN THE ROCK:  
TRANSFORMING FOR TOMORROW**



**April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Palm Sunday**

**Worship Leader:** Rev. John Maich B.C.S M.Div.  
**Assistant Organist & Choir Director:**  
William Green.

## WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

### Organ Prelude

### Land Acknowledgement, Welcome, and Announcements:

### Sharing The Peace of Christ:

#### \*Call To Worship:

ONE: Come all you people, come to the streets, and sing the praises of the God who draws near.

ALL: **Blessed are you Redeeming Christ! Blessed and holy are you for your willingness to leave your throne and forgo your privilege for the sake of our salvation. May your name be praised forever and may we sing your glory from now into eternity!**

\*Hymn: VU 29 Hark The Glad Sound

#### Opening Prayer: (in unison)

ALL: **We have waited for you to come. In the darkness of our oppression and under the weight of our bondage we have cried out for your light and your lightness. Take our burdens and lay your yoke upon us that we may work with you and for you in this day and age.**

#### Prayer Of Confession:

ONE: In the midst of our praises let us testify to the truth of our need for God's grace and mercy.

ALL: **We confess, O Lord, that we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. We testify, that in our weakness we have made a mess of the world that you have given to us. We commit ourselves anew to your**

**vision and your purpose, keep us on track and help us to serve you, your people and your kingdom faithfully now and forever. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon:**

**ONE:** God has sent Jesus into the world not to condemn nor to destroy but to redeem and to restore. You are new creations in Christ Jesus and free from all condemnation.

**ALL:** **We cling to the promise that we have received. That a place has been prepared for us in the Kingdom of Heaven. Help us to grow and mature in our faith so that we may serve you fully. Amen.**

**\*Hymn: VU 123 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

**WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination (in unison):**

**ALL:** Thank you God, for the ways that you have chosen to reveal yourself to us. Thank you for the whole of Creation and her testimony. Thank you for the words of your servants and their witness. Thank you for the gift of Jesus, your word made flesh and for his commandments. Touch our hearts and our ears that we may hear you anew.

**Hebrew Lesson: Isaiah 50: 4-9 Paula Eddy-Shea**  
**Responsive Lesson: Psalm 118 VU pg. 837**  
**Epistle Lesson: Philippian 2: 5-11**

**Anthem**

**Gospel Lesson:            Luke 19: 28-40**

**Sermon:                    If These Were Silent**

**\*Hymn:    VU 127    Ride On, Ride On In Majesty**

**Prayers of the People:**  
**The LORD's Prayer:**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Minute For Mission:**

**Invitation to the Offering:**

ONE:        Mindful of all that God has done for us from the founding of the universe we bring forward the fruits of our labour and our being. We offer our time, talents, and our treasures, for the furthering of God's Holy Kingdom with joyful hearts.

**Prayer of Dedication: (in unison)**

ALL:        Thank you, gentle Saviour, for accepting our gifts. Thank you for using them to serve your children near and far. Thank you for allowing us to be your agents of grace in the world. Amen.

**\*Hymn:    VU 314    Come Now, Almighty King**

**\*BENEDICTION:**

ONE:        As people of God, you form a community of faith within  
The United Church of Canada

**ALL: Within this community of faith, we are both blessed and blessing.**

**\*COMMISSIONING (in unison):**

**ONE: Go now and proclaim the good news of Christ's gospel.**

**ALL: We will testify to God's creative caring and to the Spirit's empowerment and encouragement of our community. We will use our many and varied gifts to reach out to our neighbours and embody God's love for them in the world.**

**Postlude**