

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

Sunday, April 9, 2017, 9:00 am

Palm Sunday

Welcome & News of the Community

Music: "Come All You People" MV #2 (x2)

Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
Come now and worship the Lord.

Basket of Blessings

Gathering Words:

One: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God!

All: Blessed are we, for we have been created by that same God. Blessed is the sound of our voices, lifted up in praise.

One: Blessed are the hands that clap and strum and pluck, joining together in a glorious song of praise.

All: Blessed are the bodies that move and wave and march and dance in a tapestry of motion, embodying our lives.

One: Blessed is the breath that enlivens us, animates us, and sustains us in singing our ceaseless praise to you, O God!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Hosanna, loud hosanna
the happy 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 victory palm branch waving,
and singing clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
content that little children
should on his bidding wait.

'Hosanna in the highest!'
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer;
earth, let your anthems ring.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his humble presence
eternally rejoice!

Children's Time**Sharing the Story: Matthew 21:1-11****Focus on the Word**

Refrain:

*All glory, laud and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

You are the King of Israel,
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and blessed one. R

The multitude of pilgrims
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. R

To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. R

Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious king. R

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

Today we shout Hosanna. May this blessed word remain with us in the week ahead. God grant us all to follow faithfully where Christ leads us, and may we know courage and certainty that God's Three-in-One presence will lead us ever closer to the grace that is ours to share. Amen.

Music:

“Ride On! Ride On In Majesty!”

**MV #127
vss 1,2,4**

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry:
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

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

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 power, and reign.