

SUNDAY 5th APRIL 2020

E-NEWS

The replacement for our Pews News over the coming weeks, at Bellshill Central Parish Church

Welcome to our weekly **E-NEWS** our replacement for our Pews News, we hope that you find this a useful accompaniment to our online services. To access our Sunday services online please visit www.bellshillcentral.church/watch-live

Please sign up to subscribe to our Website to regularly receive the **E-NEWS**, although it will be available online, Facebook and Twitter

Welcome to **Online Church** for **PALM SUNDAY**.

Our Palm Sunday Call to Worship

We raise our voices and wave with joyful hope the palms of deliverance of God's people.

Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David!

Our hearts are filled with expectation as we welcome the coming king.

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

We receive into the crowded streets of our lives the one who is Saviour, not only of us, but of all the earth.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Our first song is **Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!**

1 Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through city street and temple their joyful welcome rang.
They shouted out their praises to Christ, the children's friend,
who welcomes all with blessing, whose love will never end.

2 From Olivet they followed, a large exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
bright angels joined the chorus, beyond the cloudless sky,
'Hosanna in the highest! Glory to God on high!'

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 his living presence eternally rejoice.

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Kevin's theme & readings are:

PALM SUNDAY

revealing the bankruptcy of
humanity's notions of power and
the true power of God.

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 & Matthew 21: 1-11

Our second song is **Make way, Make way**

1 Make way, make way, for Christ the King
in splendour arrives;
fling wide the gates and welcome him
into your lives.
*Make way, make way, for the King of kings;
make way, make way, and let his kingdom in.*

2 He comes the broken hearts to heal,
the prisoners to free;
the deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance,
the blind shall see.

3 And those who mourn with heavy hearts,
who weep and sigh,
with laughter, joy, and royal crown
he'll beautify.

4 We call you now to worship him
as Lord of all,
to have no gods before him,
their thrones must fall!

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Keeping in touch

In these challenging times it is important that we stay in close contact with our church family, please let Kevin or Stanley know about anyone unwell, needing the support or any regular pastoral care.

We've set up a WhatsApp group and are enjoying keeping in touch each day, sharing some much needed humour and just staying connected. If you have a smartphone and the WhatsApp "app" and would like to be part of this group let us know.

Remember to phone those who aren't online, share news, ask them how they are, it really will make all the difference.

Keep safe throughout the week, follow the Government's advice, keep in touch with each other and pray without ceasing.

Pray each night at 8pm and light a candle.

- Pray for yourself, your family & those sick and isolated by COVID-19
- Pray for Dr's, nurses & our NHS
- Pray for researchers looking for a cure
- Pray for our leaders and governments
- Ask God's love and healing on the world

Looking ahead

Holy Week – Join us for a replay of the Crucifixion from our Choir on **Monday** – this will be via our Watch Live Page starting at 7.30pm. A beautiful, meaningful and powerful composition, with narration from Jim Grier, Hugh Ainsley & Kevin de Beer.

Tuesday to Friday – Kevin will give us a Holy Week Message again via our Watch Live page at 7.30pm

Sunday 12th April Easter Sunday Service – will include a replay of last Easter's Act of Communion. So in preparation for this please have a portion of bread and some juice ready. We can share together as a Church Family this celebration of mystery and wonder. **We'll go live at 10.45am and the service itself will start at 11am.**

Tasks for the week ahead – (1) decorate a boiled Egg. Call your friends and talk about perhaps decorating your Eggs with a theme – perhaps 7 Dwarfs, Superhero's, members of the choir, the Session? or (2) make yourself an Easter Bonnet from things you have in the house. **Or do Both! We would love to see your pictures.**

Our final hymn is **Ride on, Ride on, in majesty**

- 1 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes 'Hosanna!' cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 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.
- 3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.
- 5 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.

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