



**Sunday 29 March 2026**

Palm Sunday is a special marker in our Lent journey as we look forward to Holy Week. A space to remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, the excitement and anticipation of the crowds and the question on everyone's lips as they joined in the chorus.

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”

*Matthew 21:8-10*

On Sunday he was a conquering king. God's agent of judgement riding in to save them from the empire of the Romans. But on Friday he was nothing but a failure and a criminal. A figure of scorn, cursed by God. Who Jesus is was determined by who they wanted Jesus to be. And that changed as their needs changed. Who do you want Jesus to be? Is this according to God's word or yours? Holy Week is a good time to ask this.

Jas

## CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

**Service Leader: Jas**

**Preacher: Jas**

**YouTube Link:** <https://youtube.com/live/Q98TsBkyqJs?feature=share>

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER:** 9.45am in Barrett Room

### **READINGS:**

Matthew 26:36-56

### **The Worship Hymns and Songs:**

Hosana Hosana

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

### **CELEBRATIONS:**

**Birthdays:** *Lynne Reid*

**Wedding Anniversaries:** *Alon & Tracy Mayhew*

*May The Lord bless you and keep you well 😊*

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**Mon 30 March:** John 12:1-11

**Tue 31 March:** John 12:20-36

**Wed 01 April:** John 13:21-32

**Thu 02 April:** John 13:1-17, 31b-35

**Fri 03 April:** John 18:1-19:42

**Sat 04 April:** John 19:38-42

**Sun 05 April:** **Matthew 28:1-10**

### **NOTICES:**

**Every Wednesday:** Connect, 10am, JKR

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April:** Good Friday Service, 10.30am Trinity Methodist.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April:** Easter Sunday service, 10am

**Stations of the Cross:** Remember that *this Sunday* we will be experiencing a couple of the Stations of the Cross as part of our service as a way of engaging with the Passion Narrative and reflecting on the Journey of Jesus to the cross at Good Friday.

**Hard Knox Coffee:** From the 19th of April we are looking to have Espresso Coffee for sale before our Sunday Service from 9.30am and available again after our service until 11.30am.  
For those who enjoy a nice Espresso on Sundays, you can purchase it from John Knox and contribute some of the funds towards our Youth at the same time! Keep an eye out for details on specials.

**Hard Knox Cafe:** Seeking a Co-coordinator for 2026 to help manage and run HKC, a safe and fun ministry for Year 8–13 youth. If you can help coordinate events and assist one evening a fortnight, please come chat with me — I'd love to hear from you

**Prayer for our family and friends:**

*Ken Hawke and family, Max Atkins & Averill Gibson, Janice and Ross Wilson, Donna Abernethy, Clare Calder, Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.*

**Church Giving February:**

	Current Month		Year to Date		Annual	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Forecast
February 2026	7,954	7,280	69,103	64,792	96,460	100,771

**CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR MARCH/APRIL 2026**

**29 March**

<b>Elder Duty:</b> Richard McMurdo	<b>Door Duty:</b> Alon and Tracy Mayhew
<b>Power Point:</b> Richard McMurdo	<b>Mini Bus:</b> Richard and Sue
<b>Morning Tea:</b> Joan Shearer and Marlene Hopkinson	<b>Offering Count:</b> Tracy/Howard

<b>Readings:</b> Max Aitkins	<b>Heroes Leader:</b> Kate
<b>Prayers:</b> Gaye	<b>Fun with Music:</b> Marlene Hopkinson

## 05 April

<b>Elder Duty:</b> Gaye Edwards	<b>Door Duty:</b> Joan Shearer and Lyn O'Malley
<b>Power Point:</b> TBC	<b>Mini Bus:</b> TBC
<b>Morning Tea:</b> Maureen Landreth and Lynette Fowler	<b>Offering Count:</b> Tracy and Howard
<b>Readings:</b> Vincent S	<b>Heroes Leader:</b> School holidays
<b>Prayers:</b> Vincent S	<b>Fun with Music:</b> School holidays

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