



**Inverurie** West Parish Church

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## **Order of Service: Sunday 13 April 2025**

Welcome to worship with Inverurie West Parish Church. Whether you are joining us online or in-person; as a newcomer, occasional visitor, or regular, we are delighted to have you with us. This morning is Palm Sunday and we will be looking at Luke's description of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. We also have the pleasure this morning of 'swearing in' our new session clerk.

### **Welcome and notices**

### **Call To Worship**

### **MAKE WAY MAKE WAY (CH4 279)**

### **Opening Prayer (Including the Lord's prayer)**

Our heavenly father  
May your holy name be honoured  
May your kingdom come  
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today what we really need  
Forgive us the wrong we do  
as we forgive those who wrong us

Lead us away from temptation  
Keep us safe from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever  
Amen

### **Intro to the word**

## Session Clerk Handover

### WE HAVE A KING WHO RIDES A DONKEY (JP 264)

#### Reading 1: Luke 19: 29-44 read by Larry Young

29 As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 30 “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” say, “The Lord needs it.””

32 Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

34 They replied, “The Lord needs it.”

35 They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. 36 As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

37 When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

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

“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

40 “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

41 As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it 42 and said, “If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes. 43 The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. 44 They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognise the time of God’s coming to you.”

#### Reflection

### MEEKNESS AND MAJESTY (CH4 356)

**Prayer**

**NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISETH (CH4 417)**

**Grace**

**Blessing**

**News**

**Upcoming services** - a reminder that next week we will be celebrating Easter with and at St Andrew's at 10 am. Details of all Holy Week services are below and in Encounter.

The following week (Sunday 27th) is our full communion service in the morning at the usual time of 11 am plus the option of the informal all-age communion at 3 pm.

**Christ in the passover** - this talk and celebration is being held at St Andrew's at 7pm Sunday 13th and will be led by Boris Skvortsov from Jews for Jesus

**Website** - We hope to have our new website launched soon. If you'd like to join our currently very small web team to help with the management and updating of the site please speak to Rhona.

**Foodbank** - We don't have a current wishlist from the Foodbank but regularly needed items include: Tinned spaghetti/macaroni, Tinned meat (hot or cold), Tinned vegetables, Tea bags (40s/80s, please), Tinned tomatoes, Small jars of coffee, Pot noodles/Mug Shots, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full cream)

**Fundraising and Stewardship** - If you regularly shop online - or even if you do so only occasionally, there is an easy way to help fundraise for the church. The first step is to register with the Easyfundraising website, at this address: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/inverurie-west-parish-church> After this, whenever you use their link to go to major

retailers like Amazon, Tesco or Expedia, and make a purchase, the church gets a small donation. As an example, the last time Rhona booked a holiday, the church got £16! If you need help registering, please chat to one of the Grants team (Janet Duncan, Alison Sharp, Laura Gray, Biff Barrow, Rhona).

**Holy Week services/events** are as listed below. St Mary's Church is hosting the IDCT evening services this year, which run from Monday to Friday.

Monday 14th	730 pm	led by Catalyst Vineyard and Culsalmond, Daviot & Rayne churches
Tuesday 15th	730pm	led by Fountain of Love church
Wednesday 16th	730pm	led by Kintore and St Andrew's parish churches
Maundy Thursday	730pm	led by St Mary's Episcopal and New Community churches
Good Friday	800 am	walk of witness starting at RC Church of the Immaculate Conception and followed by breakfast at St Mary's
Easter Sunday	730 pm	led by the West Church
	800am	early service up the Bass (ground level option at St Andrew's)
	10am	Easter breakfast at St Andrews Joint Easter worship at St Andrews

**Practical help** - if you, or anyone you know need shopping, errands etc done, we have lots of volunteers keen to help. For assistance ring Joyce Petrie on 01467 620932 or email [help@inveruriewestchurch.org](mailto:help@inveruriewestchurch.org)

For prayer requests, joys and concerns, or content which you would like shared on Sunday, please email Rhona on [r.cathcart@inveruriewestchurch.org](mailto:r.cathcart@inveruriewestchurch.org) by Saturday night, or you can text her on her mobile.

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