

# Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022

Welcome to  
Barrie Hill and Speedside  
United Church of Canada Congregations  
in the historic, rural Eramosa Pastoral Charge

The Barrie Hill Congregation est. 1832  
The Speedside Congregation est .1845



We're delighted you're here.

**GATHERING**  
THE PEOPLE JOURNEY TOGETHER THROUGH HOLY WEEK  
RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

**Prelude**

**Gathering Song**    And on This Path    MV 8    Verse 1

And on this path-,the gates of holiness open wide,  
And on this path-, the gates of holiness open wide,  
And on this path-, the gates of holiness open wide,  
Open wide! -, Open wide!-, Open wide!-,  
The gates are open wide!

**Acknowledging the Territory**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

May the God whom we know through Jesus the Christ be present among us and within us as we gather today. Amen

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**One:** This is the day that the Lord has made.

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

One: Jesus is coming.

**All: Hosanna!**

One: He comes to us riding on a donkey.

**All: Hosanna!**

One: Open the gates wide!

**All: Hosanna!**

One: Let us welcome him with branches and songs of praise.

**All: Jesus is coming. Hosanna to the King of kings!**

**Hymn**    VU 123 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

**Opening Prayer and Prayer of Confession**

God of all people and all places,  
God of all situations and all times,  
God who transforms suffering through Grace,  
you are the light of the minds that know you,  
and the strength of those who serve you in times of challenge and times of joy.

**We come to worship you this hour,  
setting aside our work and responsibilities,  
our relaxation and pastimes,**

**to listen for your voice  
and reflect on the wisdom and courage we witness in Jesus.  
As tension mounts for him and for us,  
we turn to you for hope and healing, for courage and compassion,  
in the name of Christ, our Lord.**

Hear us now as we speak to you the truth about our lives:

**God of compassion,  
we confess that we prefer darkness to your light, and our ways to yours.  
We do and say what is practical, or easy rather than what is right, especially in  
public, in crowds, at festival and tax times.  
We have been dishonest with ourselves and each other.  
Forgive our fleeting enthusiasms and shallow commitments.  
As we witness again the story of Jesus confronting the ones who challenge  
and disrupt an easy living for some,  
strengthen our desire to follow him and serve you with courage like his. Amen**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

### **Passing of the Peace**

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all...

**All: And also with you**

### **Hymn VU 124 He Came Riding on a Donkey**

### **A prayer the young and young at heart**

Peace before us,  
Peace behind us,  
Peace under our feet.  
Peace within us,  
Peace over us,  
Let all around us be peace.  
Christ before us,  
Christ behind us,  
Christ under our feet.  
Christ within us,  
Christ over us,  
Let all around us be Christ. Amen.

*Children invited to join in Sunday School with Bethany*

## **WE OPEN THE BIBLE. WE RECEIVE THE WORD.**

### **Prayer for Understanding & Grace**

May the words of our mouth, and the meditations of all our hearts be acceptable in your sight O God. Amen

**Psalm:** Psalm 118 VU 837 Speedside parts one, three, and four with Refrain  
Barrie Hill - Mary Meads cantoring the Psalm

**Scripture:** Mark 11:1-11

11:1 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples 11:2 and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. 11:3 If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" 11:4 They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, 11:5 some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" 11:6 They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. 11:7 Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. 11:8 Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. 11:9 Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! 11:10 Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 11:11 Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

**Message:**

**Hymn:** VU 122 All Glory, Laud and Honour

## **WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS**

### **Offering Prayer of Dedication**

### **Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** VU 959 Sung

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name;  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread,  
and forgive us our sins,**

**as we forgive those who sin  
against us;  
Save us from the time of trial,  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, power, and  
glory are yours,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **We Journey to Face the Cross**

Journeying to the Cross *Based on Luke 22:14-23:56*

When Jesus shares a final meal with his friends, taking a loaf, and blessing it, and breaking it, saying, "This is my body."

And the same way with a cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood."

When Jesus tells them, "Woe to the one who will betray me."

And, even though they were shocked, they still argued among themselves which one of them is the greatest.

***ALL: This is Holy Week. We are here; we are there.***

When Jesus is arrested,

Jesus, who, when someone from HIS side wounds someone from the OTHER side, Jesus heals him.

When Peter, one of Jesus' friends, says, "I do not know him."

When Jesus is mocked, and beaten, and church leaders put him on trial.

This is Holy Week.

***ALL: This is Holy Week. We are here; we are there.***

When Jesus is nailed to a cross, between two criminals ...

and one of them says, "Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom."

When Jesus says, "Father, forgive ..."

When soldiers gamble over his clothing ...

When Jesus cries out: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

and breathes his last breath.

When a centurion says, "Surely this man was innocent."

When friends watched from a distance.

***ALL: We are there; we are here. This is Holy Week***

**Departing Song**    And on This Path    MV 8    Verse 2

**So enter in, the gates of holiness open wide,**

**So enter in, the gates of holiness open wide,**

**So enter in, the gates of holiness open wide,**

**Open wide ... Open wide ... Open wide ....**

**The gates are open wide ...**

**POSTLUDE**

**SPEEDSIDE and BARRIE HILL UNITED CHURCHES**

**Sunday April 10th, 2022**

**Worship at Speedside is at 9:30 am**

**Worship at Barrie Hill is at 11:00 am**

**Recorded Worship shared by 2 pm on Sundays via website/facebook**

Welcome to worship at Speedside and Barrie Hill churches led by Rev. Lynn Hamilton.  
A special welcome to newcomers and guests with us today.

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**Office Hours:** Tuesdays, Thursdays

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m

**Layreaders:**

**Speedside:** Doris Carney

**Barrie Hill:** Tim Card

Please submit bulletin announcements to the EPC Office by Wednesday evening.

If you wish to receive your Sunday Bulletin and Announcements by email, or if you know of anyone who would benefit from the DVD ministry please contact the church office.

**Church Bookings:**

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

Arising from a deeply rooted faith in God, known to us through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, we, the people of Eramosa Pastoral Charge, celebrate that we are a Christian community striving to share our faith, friendship, fun, music and other talents. We do this through our unique rural approach to worship, Christian education, stewardship and pastoral care.

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We acknowledge that we are on the land of the Anishinaabe People in Anishinabek territory. We are grateful for their stewardship of the land and we accept our responsibility to be good stewards in this time. For more information about land acknowledgements and Indigenous Territories please visit [www.native-land.ca](http://www.native-land.ca)

## ERAMOSIA PASTORAL CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Please keep in yours prayers**

Helen Checkley - in Guelph General Hospital

Karen - in hospital

**Good news!** Kathy Kent Jeffers had an update from her surgeon's office - Kathy after much prayer, skilled health care folks, 6 rounds of chemo, and the love and support of John, has been declared cancer free! Praise be!

### **Minute for Missions:**

Nearly 23 million Afghans—more than half the population—face potentially life-threatening food shortages. Published On: March 18, 2022

*Afghanistan is on the verge of the worst crisis in its history. Even before the Taliban took control of the country last August, Afghans were already struggling with the effects of 40 years of conflict, the worst drought in 27 years, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Then, with restrictions on international funding put in place to prevent money from falling into the hands of the Taliban, humanitarian assistance was impeded.*

*The consequences have been devastating. The United Nations estimates that nearly 23 million Afghans—more than half the population—face potentially life-threatening food shortages, with nearly 9 million on the brink of famine. People also lack proper healthcare and are facing unemployment and housing shortages.*

*Our Mission & Service partner the Asian Muslim Action Network (AMAN) has been working hard to provide food packages to internally displaced families in Afghanistan during this emergency.*

*The life-saving packages contain staples like rice, sugar, oil, salt, beans, potatoes, and onions to feed a family for up to two months. So far, 133 families have received the packages, including widows and orphans.*

*“The most challenging issue was and is the fund transfer to Afghanistan because the banking system of the country is still almost completely frozen,” reports Zineb Naini, AMAN’s international program coordinator. “Nevertheless, we were able to reach these families and, in the future, we hope to reach many more. Recently we obtained a grant that will allow us to distribute food packages to about 400 families.”*

*Please make a gift through **Mission and Service** today. In the most difficult circumstances, your generosity helps sustain families and provide much needed hope.*

*Note: Out of concern for the safety of our partners, we are not able to share all the work the church is doing in Afghanistan.*

*Source “**Afghanistan: Food insecurity and malnutrition threaten ‘an entire generation,’**”(opens in a new tab) UN News (15 March 2022).*

**The Youth Group** meets after church today with local families for games (crokinole, euchre and bring favourite board games). Households will eat together at safely distanced tables. We ask players wear masks (except when eating) and practice safe distance. All are welcome.

**The Youth Group** (grades 7 to 12 - new members welcome) are going to decorate Ukrainian Easter Eggs on Saturday April 16th from 9:30am till noon at Barrie Hill. Please wear old clothes, the dye will stain. Please RRSP to Theresa Knierim (p.t.knierim@gmail.com) so that we have supplies ready.

### **Notice From the Foodgrains Project**

Canadian Foodgrains Bank projects include direct food support but also provide funding to promote more environmentally sustainable growing practices. their families. Did you know that sunflowers are a symbol of hope and peace, and the national flower of Ukraine? We have lots of seeds, so we encourage you to grow some as a show of support for the people of Ukraine.

### **Weekly Tea and Toast Via Zoom**



Tea and Toast Via Zoom Thursday, April 14. An online social to gather with one another to share community news, stories, and to pray. Everyone is welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84746457279?pwd=N01xTkJZMUFnV0lxdDJxL013Nk1WZz09>





# Eramosa Children's Camp



Barrie Hill United Church

5702 Wellington Rd 29

**July 4 - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**9 am to 4 pm**

Cost - \$50/child, Maximum \$100/family

For children entering grades JK to 7 in September 2022

Teen and adult volunteers are appreciated.

**Volunteer hours are available.**

## Theme - Find your Rhythm

At camp we will explore a music theme where children have a chance to experiment with music and "Find their Rhythm". We will participate in traditional camp experiences including Bible Stories, games, crafts and delicious food. Both lunch and snacks will be provided. The camp may include some bused field trips to accompany our program.

A project of Speedside and Barrie Hill United Churches

To register e-mail: [eramosapc@gmail.com](mailto:eramosapc@gmail.com)

Registration must be completed in advance.

Confidential Financial Assistance is available please contact:

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**Stone United Church Invites You to Join**  
**our Canadian Foodgrains** **Growing Project**

The seeds have arrived, and The Stone United Church will Project to raise money to global hunger. It's time to start participate in this year's project.



spring is just around the corner! once again host a Growing reduce and eventually end thinking about how you wish to

Back, by popular demand, will be friendly competitions for the heaviest pumpkin, smallest miniature pumpkin, tallest sunflower, biggest sunflower head, and most flowers on a stalk.

**New for 2022 are categories for zucchini (longest and heaviest), and for interested farmers, their tallest corn stalk.**

**Speedside United Church Announcements**



"The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary have been placed there by the Frasson Family. With the purchase of these flowers they are supporting a local fundraiser, and sharing them with us to enjoy during the Easter Season before using them to beautify their property." Bruce Miller

**"Drive Thru Farmers Breakfast" at Speedside United Church**

Saturday April 23rd . Pick-up time is between 8am and 9.30am

Sausage & Egg "McMuffin", hash browns, and beans.

**To pre-order call 519 822 1731**

**FREE WILL OFFERING**

## **Barrie Hill United Church Announcements**

Thank you to Susan Frasson from Barrie Hill Worship Committee for delivering the Easter Flowers for our Sanctuaries. We are blessed to have her help and generous gift of time to share these flowers.

BH Worship Committee Meeting is Tuesday, April 12 at 7 pm at Barrie Hill.

Mary Meads is retiring from the Music Ministry position at Barrie Hill. Easter Sunday will be her last official day. Please join us in thanking Mary for her gift of music at this service.

A search committee of 3 (minimum) is to be set up to start the interview process for the Music Ministry position..This would include a rep from Council, a rep from Worship, and a rep from Choir. So we currently have 3 volunteers: Worship Rep - Martha Amidon/ Choir rep - Alex Lush / Council rep - Pat Weir. If anyone else would like to volunteer or add a name to the list that is fine. Please Contact Pat Weir to submit your name.

Barrie Hill has a new website!: Visit [www.barriehillunitedchurch.com](http://www.barriehillunitedchurch.com) and check it out!



## Easter Services

### Today Palm Sunday April 10

A joyous celebration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, and at the end of the service we 'Face the Cross" to prepare for Good Friday.

**Palm Sunday 9:30 am at Speedside**

**Palm Sunday 11am at Barrie Hill**

**Online at 2 pm**

**Good Friday April 15 one service only ONLINE** is an online joint service led by Speedside Church together with our neighbours Barrie Hill, and Stone and Rockwood United Churches. This service is full of music selected by Speedside's music director Alyson Arsenault and will feature the choirs of Stone, Rockwood, Barrie Hill and Speedside. Thank you to the congregations and Alyson for this online only service.

**Sunrise Easter Service at Carney's Hill** at 6:52 am on Easter Sunday morning April 17. Refreshments will be served outdoors after the early morning service. The sunrise service will be between 20 minutes and a half hour long. Participants will be walking up a short, even ground hill to get to the site of the cross. We will watch the sun rise to the East as we pray. Dress for the weather. Contact [revlynnhamilton@gmail.com](mailto:revlynnhamilton@gmail.com) for an address and directions.

**Easter Sunday, Sunday April 17** A joyous service of celebration in both congregations .

**Easter Sunday 9:30 am at Speedside**

**Easter Sunday 11am at Barrie Hill**