#### Please stand where \*\* is indicated

Prelude:

Gathering Song: VU 124 He Came Riding on a Donkey

Announcements: Birthday Church:

Welcome:

The light of Christ shines within us. (Elder lights Christ candle).

We are worshipping on unceded Mi'kmak'i land;

acknowledging that we are all people of the Peace and Friendship Treaty.

(Elder lights Peace Candle)

The Holy Embrace encompasses us all. (*Elder lights Affirmation candle*) In this community of faith, we celebrate that all are welcome in this place.

All are welcome by God's grace.

Service of the Palms: (on screens for Reverend Judith)

**Opening Prayer** 

Merciful God, as we enter Holy Week and gather in Your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Bring us at the last with Him and all the faithful to Your new Jerusalem, Your kingdom of peace and justice for all.

We ask it in the name of Jesus. Amen

Hymn (with Palm Parade): VU 122 All Glory, Laud and Honour

# Prayer of Illumination:

Eternal God,

In the reading of the scripture may Your Word be heard; In the meditation of our hearts, may Your Word be known; And in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown, Amen

Scripture:

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (found at **VU 837**)

Matthew 21:1-11

- offered by Jean Collier

Words of God that is still speaking. **Thanks be to God.** 

Ministry of Music: Blessed Is He from Once Upon a Tree

– words & music Pepper Choplin

Reflection:

- Reverend Judith Perry

## Offering Invitation

Hymn during Offering: VU 334 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

\*\*Offertory Response: VU 541 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

## Offering Dedication:

In the name and in the spirit of Jesus,
We bring our gifts to You, O God,
Help us to give with them
a ready mind,
a willing spirit,
and a joyful heart. Amen

The Reproaches: (on screens for Reverend Judith)

## The Prayer of Jesus

Hymn: VU 123 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna vv1,2

#### Blessing:

May you find in the cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven.

And may the blessing of God go with you, now and forever more. Amen

\*\*Parting Verse: VU 123 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna vv3

Postlude: TBD

Thank you to guest musicians Danielle Chute and Serena Godmaire (line-up subject to change)

#### **OUR MISSION**

TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS: showing mercy, promoting justice, offering forgiveness, acceptance, and hope.

#### Our Vision...

We, the congregation of Knox United Church, publicly proclaim our commitment to become an open and welcoming community of faith. We declare that we welcome everyone regardless of age, race,