

GOOD FRIDAY

IT IS FINISHED



St. Matthews Church

WHERE COMMUNITY
GATHERS AND GROWS

April 15, 2022

Good Friday

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(* indicates the assembly stands)

** indicates singing is encouraged)

All Gather in Silence

*Prayer of the Day

Anthem "O Darkest Woe" J. Schop

Reading Hebrews 10:16-25

*Gospel Acclamation "Look to Jesus..." p. 263

Gospel Reading John 18:1-19:42

Music during the Gospel Reading

Hymn 351** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

Hymn 349** "Ah, Holy Jesus"

*Hymn 353**(1-solo, 3-choir) "Were You There"

Reflection

*Hymn of the Day 347** (3-choir) "Go to Dark Gethsemane"

*Bidding Prayer p. 263

At the conclusion of each bid: "...through Christ our Lord," the assembly responds:

Amen

*Lord's Prayer (*Our Father; who art in heaven...*) p. 264

*Procession of the Cross p. 264

*We Glory in Your Cross p. 265

Anthem "Litany for Ukraine" J. Enns

All Depart in Silence

O Darkest Woe

O darkest woe! Ye tears, forth flow! Has earth so sad a wonder,
God the Father's only Son now lies buried yonder.

Behold thy Lord, the Lamb of God, bloodsprinkled lies before thee,
Pouring out his life that he may to life restore thee.

O Jesus blest! My help and rest. With tears I pray, Lord hear me.
Make me love Thee to the last, and in death be near me.

Litany for Ukraine

For a world drowned in darkness, let me be the light.

For a world lost in hatred, let me show love. Kyrie eleison.

For a world steeped in suffering, let me offer comfort.

For a world that is lonely, let me be a friend. Kyrie eleison.

For a world that craves warfare, let me be the dove of peace.

For a world that is weeping, let me wipe away the tears. Kyrie eleison.

For a world trapped in sadness, let me bring joy.

For a world in constant doubting, let me sow seeds of faith. Kyrie eleison.

Leading Worship Today

Minister: Rev. Carey Meadows-Helmer

Assisting Minister: Scott Kuschnereit

Diaconal Minister of Music : Deacon Scott Knarr

Lectors: Karen Farrell, Linda McLellan, Jean and Pr. Henry Fischer

Choral Scholars: Nicole Hamilton, Laura Moolenbeek, Dylan Siebert,
Jacob Steinmann

Vocal Ensemble: Julia Crnko, Lana Moses, Bev Roeder, Jim & Erika Sattler

Radio: Jason Smolak

Building Monitor: Dennis Diebolt (519-571-4525)

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety.

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Worship Notes

In our prayers: John, Susan, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Frank and Bernice.

General Announcements

Church Parking. Members should now park either at our main lot beside the church or in the Parking Garage on Charles Street. Parking at the garage is free on Sundays. Please consider using the parking garage if you are able, in order to keep space available at the 54 Benton St. parking lot for those who need to park closer. Thank you for understanding!

Important Information for today's worship

- **Masks:** According to our church's current protocols, wearing a mask indoors is mandatory.
- **Personal belongings:** You may use the basement coat racks, but please use the Church Street side staircase to descend back down (follow the arrows). Please still exit via the left (Charles St.) staircase and doors.
- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates upon leaving.
- **The Peace** will be shared without physical contact
- **Guides to Worship:** Please place these in the recycling bins in the Narthex upon leaving, or take them home.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, all will remain in place until the end of the postlude. Then, following the ushers' guidance, those in the back pews will exit first, going directly out the only official exit: the Benton parking lot doors. Please do not mingle inside, and maintain distancing until you are in the parking lot. We encourage you to mingle outside while maintaining physical distancing.

- **Washrooms:** Are not sanitized after each usage. Please only use the ones in the Sanctuary basement, follow all signage and maintain physical distancing.
- **Coffee Hour** is cancelled until further notice.
- **Mingling:** Please do not mingle while indoors and respect 2 metre physical distancing at all times. Please refrain from shaking hands or other physical contact with people outside your social bubble.
- **Pastors** will not be greeting at the door or mingling indoors, but will make an effort to come outside asap after the service. If you wish to talk to them, best to call or email at another time. An in-person meeting may be scheduled.
- **Water coolers** are currently disconnected.
- **Property Cleaning and Sanitizing:** Will be increased throughout this time
- **Thank you for helping to keep all of us as safe as possible during this pandemic, by following these directions!**



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