



TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023 AT 12:15 P.M.

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Land Acknowledgement

During Holy Week, we will begin the liturgy in silence. Therefore, all are encouraged to offer this prayer, acknowledging the lands on which we dwell, before the service begins. As we enter the story of Holy Week, we remember our relationship with our Indigenous neighbours. We acknowledge with respect that we gather today in many sacred places, places that were homes to those who have been displaced. We recognize that our church dwells on the traditional lands of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Gracious One, as we walk with Jesus on his journey through betrayal and denial, open our eyes to the ways in which we have betrayed and denied Indigenous peoples, that, by way of the resurrection, we may be agents of restoration and renewal. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY — If you would like to make a monetary donation to support the ministry of Church of the Redeemer, we invite you to place your gift in the offering plate that sits on the offertory table in the centre aisle at the back of the worship space, or visiting theredeemer.ca/donate. Thank you for joining us today.

№ Penitential Rite

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All: His mercy endures for ever.

Confession and Absolution

Priest: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Priest: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon us,

pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,

and keep us in eternal life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Kyrie (Plainsong)

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison *Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.*

The Collect

Priest: Creator of the universe, your name is glorified

even in the anguish of your Son's death.

Grant us the courage to receive your anointed servant

who embodies a wisdom and love that is foolishness to the world.

Empower us in this witness so that all the world may recognize

in the scandal of the cross the mystery of reconciliation,

through Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Reading

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength - he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Isaiah 49.1-7

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 71.1-14 (George Black)

Refrain:



In you, O God, have I taken refuge;

let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness deliver me and set me free;

incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold. Refrain

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor

For you are my hope, O God,

my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;

from my mother's womb you have been my strength;

my praise shall be always of you. Refrain

I have become a portent to many;

but you are my refuge and my strength.

Let my mouth be full of your praise

and your glory all the day long.

Do not cast me off in my old age;

forsake me not when my strength fails.

For my enemies are talking against me,

and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.

They say that God has forsaken me,

they can come and seize me for none can save. Refrain

O God, be not far from me;

come quickly to help me, O my God.

Let those who set themselves against me be put to shame and be disgraced;

let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach.

But I shall always wait in patience,

and shall praise you more and more. Refrain

The Gospel

Please rise, as you are able

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light." After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

John 12. 20-36

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Jim Boyles Please be seated

A moment of silence is observed

The Prayers of the People

Please rise, as you are able

Leader: As we journey through Holy Week,

let us pray to the One in whose steps we now walk, saying,

Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Jesus our lover, Mary of Bethany prepared you for burial: May we dwell in the assurance that, as we have been immersed in a death like yours, so shall we also share in a resurrection like yours.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Jesus, the power of God: Give us in all things the grain of wisdom that you are, that we may bear much fruit.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Jesus our healer: Forgive our betrayals of your love, and give us such a portion of yourself that we may be healed and walk in newness of life.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Jesus our Saviour, you gave us the bread of your body and the wine of your blood, and washed the feet of your disciples: as you came not to be served but to serve, so may we secure the dignity of every human being.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Crucified Servant: Give us the will and desire to embrace the sacrifice by which you make us your siblings, and children of God.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Jesus, our Lord and our God, you were buried in the depths of the earth and on the third day raised again in glory: lift us, we pray, from the pains of our humanity and make us agents of the new creation.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Christ our Passover,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Gracious God, the hope of all in need, pour your Spirit upon us, that we may be instruments of your justice and compassion, a light to the nations, and a living promise of your new heaven and new earth. This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

All: Amen.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #179 (Common Praise) "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery" All Sing



- 1. Tree of Life and awe-some death mys - tery, in your we are re-2. Seed that dies glo - ry, to rise in our - selves in may we see
- 3. We re mem ber truth once spo ken, love passed on through act and 6e. Give us eyes to see you clear ly; make us chil dren of your



still die all of his - tory, born; though you in vou rise with ev - erv live your learn to vou; if we sto - rv we may die to rise bro-ken wears the per - son lost and word; ev - ery bod - v of light. us hearts to near - ly gos - pel shin-ing Give live more as your



morn, still you rise with ev-ery morn. new, we may die to rise a - new. Lord, wears the bod - y of our Lord. bright, as your gos-pel shin-ing bright.

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▼ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Source of life, accept all we offer you this day, and turn us from sin and death,

that we may share in the tree of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

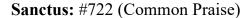


<u>Lift up</u> your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



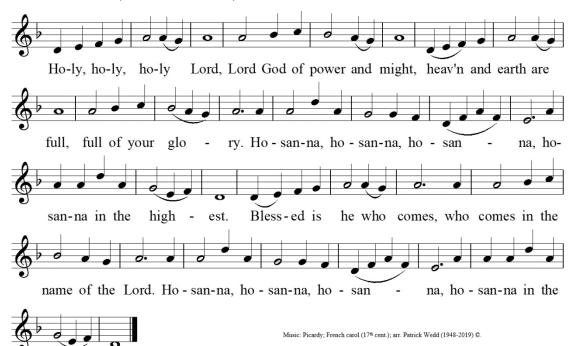
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory: where life was lost, life has been restored. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name.



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All Sing

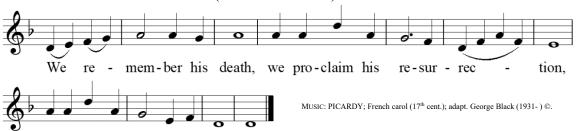


Priest:

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your People; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

Memorial Acclamation: #724 (Common Praise)



we a-wait his com-ing in glo - ry.

Priest:

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen: #725 (Common Praise)



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The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Gathering all our cares into one, let us pray,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Living Bread, broken for the life of the world:

People: Sustain us on our way to your glory.

Priest: Fruit of the true Vine, poured out for us and for many:

People: Be now the wine that gladdens our hearts.

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei (Plainsong)

The Giving and Receiving of Communion

Priest: Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now.

For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion

– not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste –

but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.

There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how.

You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you:

Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock. One:

You wait for me and only I can let you in.

I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.

Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood, that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

The Communion



During communion, if you need a gluten-free wafer, please let the communion minister know. Please do not dip the bread in the wine. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms as shown in the picture on the left.

Prayer after Communion

Please rise, as you are able

All your works praise you, O Lord. *Priest:*

And your faithful servants bless you. All:

Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ.

May we, who share his body, live his risen life. We who drink this cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your

children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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There is no Dismissal at the end of this, or any other, liturgy in Holy Week. For we have not been dismissed; nor shall we be until God has finished working our redemption for us.

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