



GOOD FRIDAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023 AT 12:00 P.M.

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

We are in the heart of downtown Toronto and we gather to celebrate on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Our beautiful building connects us to the rich heritage of our city while also drawing us deeper into the roots of our Anglican tradition. Just as the streetscape around us has evolved over the years, our members have changed to reflect the growing, vibrant and progressive Christian community found at the Redeemer today. We come from a variety of faith traditions (and sometimes no faith tradition at all), and we like it that way. We are students, workers, retired, homeless, not limited by sexual orientation, gender identity or personal history. We are at the very beginning of our life with Jesus and we are deeply steeped in a life complicated by faith. We open our doors to worship God and to learn about Jesus, and how all of this might just transform our lives

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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 via the QR code below. Thank you for joining us today.



▼ The Ministry of the Word

Please rise as you are able

Priest: All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have all turned to our own way,

All: And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Priest: Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

All: Even death on a cross.

Priest: Almighty God,

All: our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed;

we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We pray you of your mercy, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Priest: Let us pray.

Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus

we see the cost of our sin and the depth of your love:

in humble hope and fear

may we place at his feet all that we have and all that we are,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Please be seated

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

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him - so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals - so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our

diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

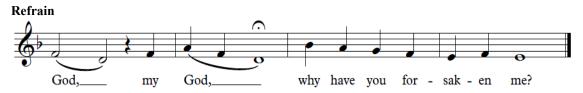
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Isaiah 52.13-53.12

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 22 (George Black)



Refrain

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest. **Refrain**

Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel. Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them. They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame. But as for me, I am a worm and worthless, scorned by all and despised by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn;

they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

"You trusted in God; let God deliver you, rescue you, and show delight in you." Refrain

Yet you, O God, are the one who took me from the womb,

and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. Refrain

Be not far from me, for trouble is near,

and there is none to help.

Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me.

They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion. Refrain

I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;

my heart within my breast is melting wax.

My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave. Refrain

Packs of dogs close in on me, and gangs of evildoers circle around me;

they pierce my hands and my feet;

I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing. Refrain

Be not far away, O God;

you are my strength; hasten to help me.

Save me from the sword,

my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth,

my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls. Refrain





I will pro-claim your name to my peo-ple, I will praise you in the as-sem-bly.

Give praise, you that fear God; stand in awe, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

For you, O God, do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is your face hidden from them;

but when they cry to you, you hear them. Refrain

My praise is of you in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall praise you:

"May your heart live for ever!" Refrain

O God, all the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, and all the families of the nations shall bow before you. For sovereignty belongs to you, O God; you rule over the nations. To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before you. Refrain

My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you; they shall be known as yours for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that you have done. Refrain

The Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds", he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us

hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

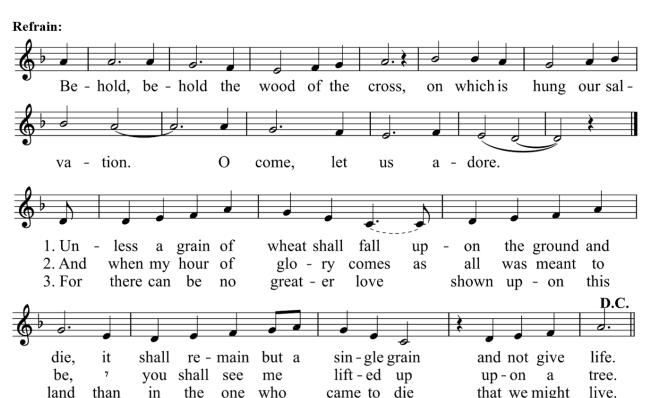
Hebrews 10.16-25

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Hymn: #420 (Gather) vv 1-3 "Behold the Wood"

Please rise as you are able and sing



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The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Please be seated

Peter's Denial Foretold / Jesus Prays in Gethsemane, is Betrayed and Arrested

Matthew 26.30b - 56

Chorale



Ah, ho-ly Je-sus, how has thou of - fend-ed, that we to judge thee have in hate pre-



tend-ed? By foes de-rid-ed, by thine own re-ject-ed, O most af-flict-ed.

Jesus Before the High Priest

Matthew 26.57-63a

Chorale



Who was it Lord did smite thee, thy good with ill re - quite thee, so



foul-ly trea - ted thee? For thou wert no of - fen-der, nor didst to sin sur-



ren-der; from ev-il thou wert ev-er free.

Peter's Denial of Jesus

Matthew 26.63b-75

Chorale



Pe-ter in for-get-ful-ness thrice de-nied his Mas-ter; One look moved him to con-fess,



Weep-ing, his dis - as-ter. Jes - u, turn to look on me, Who per-sist in sin - ning;

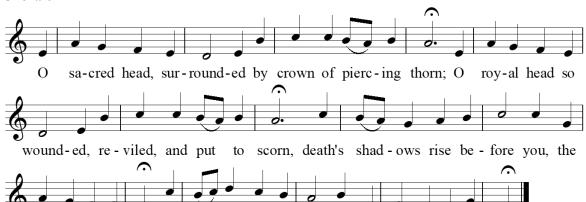


Set my fet-tered con-science free, Free for new be - gin-ning.

Jesus before Pilate

Matthew 27.1-23

Chorale



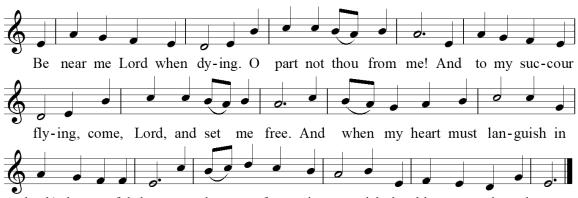
glow of life de-cays, yet an - gel hosts a - dore you and trem-ble as they gaze!

The Crucifixion of Jesus

Matthew 27.24-44

Please rise when the Presider indicates

Chorale



death's last aw-ful throe, re - lease me from mine an-guish, by thine own pain and woe.

The Death of Jesus

Matthew 27.45-54a

Choir

Wahrlich, dieser ist Gottes Sohn gewesen. *Truly this was the Son of God!*

The Burial of Jesus

Matthew 27.55-66

I hurt myself today,
To see if I'd still feel.
I focus on the pain,
The only thing that's real.
The needle tears a hole,
The old familiar sting;
Try to kill it all away,
But I remember everything.

What have I become,
My sweetest friend?
Everyone I know,
Goes away in the end.
You could have it all,
My empire of dirt.
I will let you down,
I will make you hurt...

I wear this crown of thorns, Upon my liar's chair, Full of broken thoughts, I cannot repair. Beneath the stains of time, The feelings disappear. You are someone else, I am still right here.

What have I become,
My sweetest friend?
Everyone I know,
Goes away in the end.
And you could have it all,
My empire of dirt,
I will let you down,
I will make you hurt.

Homily: Andrew Kuhl

Leader: God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Therefore we pray to our heavenly Father, for people everywhere according to their needs. Gracious God, by your Spirit the whole body of the church is knit together and made holy. Uphold your faithful people in the ministry to which you have called us, that we may serve you in holiness and truth.

Silence is kept.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Leader: God of peace, through your reconciling love, you draw all people to yourself. Guide all nations and leaders to be bearers of your peace.

Silence is kept.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Leader: Crucified Savior, you knew pain; you knew the loneliness, the weakness and the despair it brings. Bring healing to all who suffer illness in body, mind or spirit.

Silence is kept.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Leader: God of compassion, we remember the grief of those who stood at the cross. We commend to you those who have died, and those who grieve their loss. Lead us beyond our fear of death to the joyful knowledge of eternal life.

Silence is kept.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Leader: God our beginning and our end, give us the grace to live a holy life. Give us courage each day to offer all that we have and all that we are, as we make our way home to you.

Silence is kept.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: Kyrie eleison.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray, Priest:

All: 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.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial.

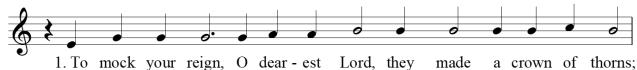
and deliver us from evil.

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For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

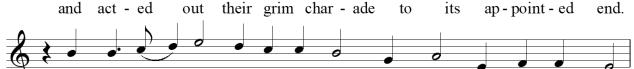
Hymn: #191 (Common Praise) "To Mock Your Reign"

All Sing



- 2. In mock ac claim, O gra-cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak.
- scep tred reed, O pa tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

a - long that road from which no you with taunts set one re - turns. your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, sol-dier's joke. in to



They did glo - rious not know. do now, that is as we your crown, They did not that though we mer - it we do now, blame know, as They did not do now, though em - pires rise and know. as we fall.



that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor-rows heal our own. you will your robe of mer-cy throw a-round our na-ked shame. your king - dom grow till love em-brac-es shall not cease to all.

Meditation on the Cross

All remain standing while a wooden Cross is unveiled. The Priest says three times:

Priest: The Cross of Christ.

All: The cross on which the Saviour of the world was hung.

All gathered are, each in their own way, invited into a time of personal devotion. Those in the church building who wish to receive Communion consecrated last evening, please come to one of the communion stations.

For those of us participating at home, you may make a Spiritual Communion.

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:

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

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 Reproaches (George Black)



Ho-ly God, ho-ly and migh-ty, ho-ly and im-mor-tal one, have mer-cy up-on us.

Song: "You want it darker" (Leonard Cohen)

If you are the dealer, I'm out of the game
If you are the healer, it means I'm broken and lame
If thine is the glory, then mine must be the shame
You want it darker
We kill the flame

Magnified, sanctified
Be the holy name
Vilified, crucified
In the human frame
A million candles burning
For the help that never came
You want it darker

Hineni, hineni I'm ready, my Lord

There's a lover in the story
But the story's still the same
There's a lullaby for suffering
And a paradox to blame
But it's written in the scriptures
And it's not some idol claim
You want it darker
We kill the flame

They're lining up to prisoners
And the guards are taking aim
I struggled with some demons
They were middle class and tame
I didn't know I had permission
To murder and to maim
You want it darker
Hineni, hineni
I'm ready, my Lord

Magnified, sanctified
Be the holy name
Vilified, crucified
In the human frame
A million candles burning
For the love that never came
You want it darker
We kill the flame

If you are the dealer, let me out of the game
If you are the healer, I'm broken and lame
If thine is the glory, mine must be the shame
You want it darker
Hineni, hineni
I'm ready, my Lord

Priest: Grieving God,

on the cross your Son embraced death even as he had embraced life:

faithfully and with good courage.

Grant that we who have been born out of his wounded side

may hold fast to our faith in him exalted and may find mercy in all times of need.

Lord, hear my prayer.

All: O Lord, hear my prayer.

Priest: O Holy and Immortal One,

hear us as we pray through Jesus, our high priest:

heal all our divisions, reconcile all who are estranged, console all who suffer,

and finally raise up to new life

all that is bound by death.

Lord, hear my prayer.

All: O Lord, hear my prayer.

Priest: Christ our God,

your love is poured out in death for our sakes:

Hold us in your embrace as we wait for Easter's dawn.

Comfort us with the promise that no power on earth,

not even death itself, can separate us from your love;

and strengthen us to wait

until you are revealed to us in all your risen glory.

Lord, hear my prayer.

All: O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: O God of peace,

who has taught us

that in returning and rest we shall be saved,

in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength:

By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence,

where we may be still and know that you are God;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



- 1. Were you there when they cru ci fied my Lord? Were you there when they
- 2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they
- 3. Were you there when they pierced him in the side? Were you there when they
- 4. Were you there when the sun re-fused to shine? Were you there when the



cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh! nailed him to the tree? Oh! pierced him in the side? Oh! sun re-fused to shine? Oh! Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble,



trem-ble, trem-ble: were you there when they cru - ci-fied my Lord? trem-ble, trem-ble: were you there when they nailed him to the tree? trem-ble, trem-ble: were you there when they pierced him in the side? trem-ble, trem-ble: were you there when the sun re-fused to shine?

Text: African-American spiritual. Music: WERE You There. Melody African-American spiritual; harm. C. Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

All depart in silence



Liturgical Texts excerpted from the following: Opening Collect: Church of England Common Worship Times and Seasons: The Liturgy for Good Friday; Concluding Prayers: "Grieving God...", Vanderbilt Lectionary Website, Prayers section; "O Holy and Immortal...", Anglican Church of Canada, Prayers for Trial Use; "Christ our God...", Vanderbilt Lectionary Website, Prayers section; "O God of Peace...", Book of Common Prayer, The Episcopal Church. All texts are reproduced with the generous permission of their rights holders.

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HOLY WEEK AT REDEEMER

Saturday, April 8, 9:00 PM – The Great Vigil & The First Eucharist of Easter
(In the church, and on YouTube and Zoom)

Easter Sunday, April 9, 9:00 AM – Easter Celebration (On Zoom only)

10:30 AM – Sung Eucharist (In the Church and on YouTube)