

WELCOME TO
YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

APRIL 2, 2023
Passiontide Devotion



April 2, 2023 - Passiontide Devotion - 4:30 pm

Prelude - Adagio

Tomasso Albinoni, arr. Remo Giazotto

From the West Gallery:

The Reproaches

John Sanders

*O my people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me!
I led you out of Egypt, from slavery to freedom, but you led your Saviour to the cross.
O my people...*

Holy is God! Holy and strong! Holy immortal One, have mercy on us.

For forty years I led you safely through the desert. I fed you with manna from heaven, and brought you to a land of plenty; but you led your Saviour to the cross. Holy is God...

What more could I have done for you? I planted you as my fairest vine, but you yielded only bitterness: when I was thirsty you gave me vinegar to drink, and you pierced your Saviour's side with a lance. Holy is God...

I opened the sea before you, but you opened my side with a spear. I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud, but you led me to Pilate's court. O my people...

I bore you up with manna in the desert, but you struck me down and scourged me. I gave you saving water from the rock, but you gave me gall and vinegar to drink. O my people...

I gave you a royal sceptre, but you gave me a crown of thorns. I raised you to the height of majesty, but you have raised me high on a cross. O my people...

Meditation on O Sacred Head

W.S. Lloyd Webber

Sharon L. Beckstead, organ

Call to Worship

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choir Processional - Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle

*Pange lingua gloriosi
Sarum plainsong, Mode III with organum*

Faithful Cross

Healey Willan

Faithful Cross, above all other one and only noblest Tree, none in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit thy peer may be; symbol of the world's redemption, for the weight that hung on thee!

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer (sung Amen)

The Rev. Paula Willis

***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, forever and ever. Amen.***

Hymn 149 - O love, how deep (*omit vs. 5*) (*Puer nobis nascitur*)

First Reading - Matthew 26, vv.36-41

The Rev. Paula Willis

Wilt thou forgive

Mark Sirett

Wilt thou forgive the sin that I have done, which is my sin, though it be done before? Wilt thou forgive those sins through which I run, and do run still, though still, I do deplore? When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more. Wilt thou forgive the sins by which I won others to sin, and made my sin their door? Wilt thou forgive that sin which I did shun a year or two but wallowed in a score? I have a sin of fear, that when I've spun my last thread I will perish on the shore; swear by yourself that at my death thy Son shall shine as he shines now, and heretofore: When thou hast done that thou hast done, I fear no more, no more.
(Text: John Donne)

Second Reading - Matthew 26, vv. 42-46

The Rev. Paula Willis

O Sacred Head, sore wounded

Felix Mendelssohn

I. O Head, so bruised and wounded, with pain and bitter scorn! O Head, in spite surrounded with stinging crown of thorn! O Head, once crowned with glory, with highest power and grace, but now oppressed and weary, I greet you in distress.

II. You, whose tormented body redeemed the sinful world, whom they had bound so gladly, whom they with shame had crowned, who suffered grief and passion for me upon the cross, who bore all my transgression, I greet you in distress.

Lutzen Riedstra, *baritone*

III. I long to stand here with you; O let me not depart, for I will never leave you, though grief may break my heart. When death one day comes o'er me, with all its fear and pain, then I would hold you near me, and ever be your own. Amen.

Hymn 139 - Ah, holy Jesus (*Herzliebster Jesu*)

Third Reading - John 18, vv.3-11

The Rev. Paula Willis

The Last Words of Christ

Dawn King

Pater, dimitte illis. Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.
Hodie me cum eris in Paradiso. Truly, I say unto you, today you will be with me
In Paradise.

Mulier, ecce filius tuus. Mother, behold your son, This is your mother.

Deus meus, ut quid dereliquiste me? My God, why hast Thou forsaken me?

I thirst.

It is finished.

In manus tuas Domine, commendo spiritum meum. Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit.

Father, forgive them...

(Première)

Stephen King, *cantor*

Dawn King, *conductor*

Fourth Reading - John 19, vv. 31-37

The Rev. Paula Willis

Agnus Dei (Messe Solenelle)

Louis Vierne

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Response - O keep my soul and deliver me

W. Maddox

Announcements and Offering

O mensch, beweine' die' Sünde gross, BWV 622

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Recessional Hymn 682 - In the Cross of Christ I glory (*Cross of Jesus*)

Benediction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen - Maddox in G

*Jessica Willingham, Emily Lapin, Kathleen Wilson, soprani;
Margaret Terry, Alessia Vitali, alti;
Michael Johnston, Ronald Tapawan, tenori;
Lutzen Riedstra, Stephen King, bassi
Sharon L. Beckstead, Associate Musician*

Cover: Detail from the stained glass window “The Miracle of the Resurrection”, located in the upper level of the south side of the Nave.

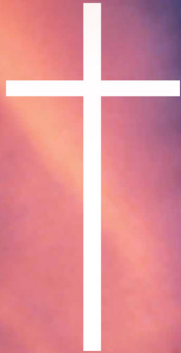
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The Twenty-Eighth

Ecumenical Good Friday Walk

Churches on-the-Hill

Friday, April 7, 2023 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.



Join us for the Ecumenical Good Friday Walk

This walk is led by members of many different churches in the St. Clair / Yonge neighbourhood. The purpose is to walk from church to church, stopping at each for a brief visit and prayers - a 'mini-pilgrimage'.

12:00: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

78 Clifton Road

12:30: Yorkminster Park Baptist Church

1585 Yonge Street

12:50: Christ Church Deer Park

1570 Yonge Street

1:15: Calvin Presbyterian Church / Deer Park United Church

26 Delisle Avenue

1:40: Timothy Eaton Memorial Church

230 St. Clair Avenue West

Holy Week and **EASTER**

COME CELEBRATE WITH US...

Palm Sunday, April 2

- 11:00 a.m. Morning Service:** Sacrament of Communion
Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching
- 4:30 p.m. Passiontide Devotion:** A choral expression of faith for Holy Week and Easter presented by the Yorkminster Park Choir with William Maddox, Organist and Director and Sharon Beckstead, Associate Musician
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Maunder Thursday, April 6

- 7:00 p.m.** Foot washing and Sacrament of Communion, Music by Iona Passage
Homily: Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
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Good Friday, April 7

- 11:00 a.m. Morning Service:** Good Friday Meditations in Word and Song
- 12:30 p.m. Churches on-The-Hill Good Friday Walk**
- 4:00 p.m. The Good Friday Concert:** Music and Readings for a Most Holy Day presented by the Hedgerow Singers. FREE Admission
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Easter Sunday, April 9

- 8:30 a.m. Easter Communion:** A joyful celebration of the resurrection with Easter readings/prayers and Communion in the Meditation Circle, weather permitting, or in Cameron Hall.
- 9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast:** The Heritage Room - *Everyone Welcome*
- 11:00 a.m. Easter Service Worship:** Featuring the choir and brass accompaniment to the great hymns of Easter. Sermon: Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

WALKING TOGETHER SATURDAY LENTEN DEVOTIONALS



During the Season of Lent we will be featuring guest writers **each Saturday** in our *Walking Together* online devotional.

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**GUEST CONTRIBUTOR:
Saturday, April 8**

Rev. Dr. Barbara Mutch

The Rev. Dr. Barbara Mutch was appointed to the staff of The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada in 2015 and currently serves as the Senior Director of Accreditation.

NINE SPARROWS ARTS FOUNDATION PRESENTS

THE GOOD FRIDAY CONCERT

Music and Readings for a Most Holy Day

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023 | 4:00 PM

SPECIAL GUESTS

Anne Lindsay, *Celtic fiddle*; Sharlene Wallace, *Celtic harp*

FEATURING: Lark Popov, *piano*; Stephen Boda, *organ*; The Hedgerow Singers; Eric N. Robertson, *conductor*; Rev. Peter Holmes and Colleen Burns, *narrators*



We are delighted to have you worshipping with us!

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Accessibility: Large-print Bibles and calendars, hearing assistance and a limited number of wheelchairs are available upon request. If you require assistance, please ask an usher.

Offerings and Gifts

There are a number of ways to make offerings or gifts to the church.

In Person: Place your gifts in the collection plate during services or events.

By Mail: Send your offering to the church by mail (please send cheques, if possible).

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance): Regular monthly offering directly from your bank.

Online: Visit yorkminsterpark.com > Give
OR

Use the camera on your phone to scan the QR Code:
It will take you directly to our Canada Helps page. ▶



Indigenous Land Acknowledgment

In the prayerful hope of true reconciliation and healing, we acknowledge the land we are meeting on has been the site of human activity for over 15,000 years. This land is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to live, work and worship on this land.

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Minister of the Congregation

The Rev. Paula Willis

Minister of Pastoral Care
and Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox

BMus, FTCL, FCAM
Organist and Director of Music

Ms. Heather Mackey

Director of
Family Ministries

Ms. Lily Cugliari-Kobayashi

RN, Parish Nurse

The Rev. John Torrance

Minister Emeritus, Pastoral Care



Hymn 149 - O love, how deep

O love, how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

He sent no angel to our race
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame
himself, and to this lost world came.

For us he was baptized, and bore
his holy fast, and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.

For us to wicked men betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us at length gave up his breath.

To him whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through his Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

Hymn 139 - Ah, holy Jesus

Ah, holy Jesus, how have you offended,
that man to judge you has in hate pretended?
by foes derided, by your own rejected,
O most afflicted.

Who was the guilty? who brought this upon you?
It is my treason, Lord, that has undone you;
and I, O Jesus, it was I denied you,
I crucified you.

See how the Shepherd for the sheep is offered,
the slave has sinned, and yet the Son hath suffered;
for our atonement hangs the saviour bleeding,
God interceding.

For me, kind Jesus, was your incarnation,
your dying sorrow and your life's oblation;
your bitter passion and your desolation,
for my salvation.

O mighty Saviour, I cannot repay you,
I do adore you, and will here obey you:
recall your mercy and your love unswerving,
not my deserving.

Recessional Hymn 682 - In the Cross of Christ I glory

In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time:
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me;
lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming
adds more lustre to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure,
joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time:
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.