

Food Friday, April 18, 2025



Ecumenical Faith Community

Chalmers, Faith, Princess Street, Sydenham Street United
St. Luke's and St. James Anglican
St. Andrew's Presbyterian
St. Mark's Lutheran

Assists

Hearing Devices and Large Print Bulletins are available from Greeters.

Ringers Off Please

on all electronic devices. Thank you.

Health Precautions

1. Self-screening guidelines: If you have symptoms of a contagious illness, or are isolating due to close contact, we request that you do not attend in person and join us on live-stream instead.
2. Many choose to remain masked for their own safety or for the safety of others. We welcome this and appreciate mutual respect.

*We respectfully ask people to finish their conversations
and make their way to their seats as the organist starts to play,
to allow for a few minutes of quiet reflection. Thank you.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Christ lag in Todesbaden - J.S. Bach

WELCOME & OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

*(Offerings to Martha's Table can be placed on the plates
by the Sanctuary doors.)*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

All: The lands on which we are gathering today are the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Peoples. We acknowledge their enduring presence on this land, as well as the presence of the Huron-Wendat, Metis, Inuit and other First Nations from across Turtle Island. We deeply respect the many generations of people who have cared for this land and whose spiritualities, teachings and ways of knowing are closely tied to it. We seek to build right relations with these Peoples, to learn from them and to live together on this land with respect and gratitude.

GATHERING WORDS

One: All you who pass this way

All: look and see the shadow of sin.

One: All you who pass this way

All: look and see the weight of the world.

One: All you who pass this way

All: look and see the suffering of our Savior.

One: All you who pass this way

All: look and see the sorrow of Jesus Christ.

One: Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.

based on Lamentations 1:12 & John 1:29

 **HYMN VU 143** *My Song is Love Unknown*

1 My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
O who am I that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

2 He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow,
but people scorned, and none the longed-for Christ would know.
But O my Friend, my Friend indeed,
who at my need his life did spend!

3 Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.

4 Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine!
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.

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FIRST WORD

Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.

Luke 23: 32 - 38

Faith

MEDITATION

Rev. Elizabeth Guillaume-Koene

PRAYER

Faith

HYMN VU 149 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small:
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

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THE SECOND WORD

Truly I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

Luke 23: 39 - 43

St. James

excerpt from the Poem: *Thief*

by Michael Dennis Browne

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: In Christ, God forgets our sins and remembers us. What God
forgets is truly forgotten. What God remembers is remembered
forever.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Peter 2: 24

Rev. Elizabeth Guillaume-Koene



HYMN VU 148 *Jesus, Remember Me*

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Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.

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THE THIRD WORD

Dear woman, here is your son. Son, here is your mother.

Reading: John 19: 25 - 27

St. Andrew's

Reading

PRAYER

 **HYMN VU 135** *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

- 1 Beneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand:
the shadow of a mighty rock
within a weary land,
a home within the wilderness,
a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat
and the burden of the day.
- 2 Upon the cross of Jesus
my eyes at times can see
the very dying form of one
who suffered there for me;
and from my smitten heart with tears,
two wonders I confess,
the wonder of his glorious love,
and my unworthiness.
- 3 I take, O cross, your shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of his face,
content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all, the cross.

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THE FOURTH WORD

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Mark 15: 33 - 34

St. Luke's

Reading: Psalm 88: 1 - 7

PRAYER



HYMN VU 138 *Ah, Holy Jesus*

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

2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, has undone you;
yes, I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied you;
I crucified you.

3 Lo, the good shepherd for the sheep is offered;
the slave is guilty, yet the Son has suffered;
for our atonement, we nothing heeded,
God interceded.

4 For me, kind Jesus, was your incarnation,
your mortal sorrow, and your life's oblation;
your death of anguish and your bitter passion,
for my salvation.

5 Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay you,
I do adore you, and will ever pray you,
think on your pity and your love unswerving,
not my deserving.

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THE FIFTH WORD

I am thirsty

John 19:28 – 29

Princess Street

Responsive Reading: Psalm 22: 15, 19, 22 - 31

One: My mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the
dust of death.

**All: But you, Lord, do not be far from me.
You are my strength; come quickly to help me.**

One: I will declare your name to my people;
in the assembly I will praise you.
You who fear the Lord, praise him!
All you descendants of Jacob, honor him!
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

**All: For he has not despised or scorned
the suffering of the afflicted one;
he has not hidden his face from him
but has listened to his cry for help.**

One: From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;
before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.
The poor will eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the Lord will praise him—
may your hearts live forever!

**All: All the ends of the earth
will remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations
will bow down before him,
for dominion belongs to the Lord
and he rules over the nations.**

One: All the rich of the earth will feast and worship;
all who go down to the dust will kneel before him—
those who cannot keep themselves alive.
Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the Lord.
They will proclaim his righteousness,
declaring to a people yet unborn:
He has done it!

PRAYER

🌀 **HYMN VU 145** *O Sacred Head*

1 O sacred head, sore wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded
with thorns, thine only crown:
how art thou pale with anguish,
with sore abuse and scorn;
how does that visage languish,
which once was bright as morn!

2 Thy grief and bitter passion
were all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the transgression,
but thine the cruel pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Saviour,
turn not from me thy face;
but look on me with favour,
and grant to me thy grace.

3 What language shall I borrow
to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this thy dying sorrow,
thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever;
and, should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
outlive my love to thee.

4 Be near when I am dying,
O show thy cross to me;
and for my succour flying,
come, Lord, to set me free.
These eyes, new faith receiving,
from thee shall not remove,
for all who die believing,
die safely through thy love.

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THE SIXTH WORD

Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.

Luke 23: 44 - 49

St. Mark's

Responsive Reading: Psalm 31: 5, 7, 13b - 16, 19 - 24

All: Deliver me, Lord, my faithful God.

One: I will be glad and rejoice in your love,

All: for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul.

One: They conspire against me and plot to take my life.

All: But I trust in you, Lord; I say, "You are my God."

One: My times are in your hands; deliver me from the hands of my enemies, from those who pursue me.

All: Let your face shine on your servant; save me in your unfailing love.

One: How abundant are the good things that you have stored up for those who fear you, that you bestow in the sight of all,

All: on those who take refuge in you. In the shelter of your presence you hide them from all human intrigues; you keep them safe in your dwelling from accusing tongues.

One: Praise be to the Lord, for he showed me the wonders of his love when I was in a city under siege.

All: In my alarm I said, "I am cut off from your sight!"


Yet you heard my cry for mercy when I called to you for help.

One: Love the Lord, all his faithful people!

All: The Lord preserves those who are true to him, but the proud he pays back in full.

One: Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.

PRAYER

 **HYMN VU 144** *Were You There*

1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)

2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)

3 Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (Were you there?)

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (Were you there?)

4 Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side? (Were you there?)

5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)

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THE SEVENTH WORD

It is finished.

Reading: John 19: 30

Sydenham Street

PRAYER

CHORAL ANTHEM

Ave Verum Corpus – Wolfgang A. Mozart

BENEDICTION

Rev. Elizabeth Guillaume-Koene

Depart in Silence

THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

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