



Kensington Presbyterian Church

Good Friday

April 2, 2021

WELCOME, during these times of physical isolation we are putting out these worship services that you can do at home.¹ This doesn't mean you have to do them alone. You can invite those who live with you, or connect with others through the phone or computer, or even in small groups outside.

If you have any prayer requests, ideas, or just want to talk, please reach out to your elder or Rev. Peter (Peter@Kensingtonchurch.ca).



Dust to Dust - Linda McCray

¹ note: that the footnotes are not as thorough as an academic paper.

Announcements

Easter Services: Today's service doesn't really end, it just stops. Join the rest of the story on Sunday

Sunday School Special: This Sunday, April 4th, at noon Antoinette is helping celebrate Easter with story and crafts over Zoom. Please contact her for details: Antoinette@Kensingtonchurch.ca

Annual Meeting: April 11th

We will be holding it over Zoom. The details will be emailed out to those who normally receive emails. If you are not on this list and would like the details, please contact the office or Rev Peter.

Reports will be available this weekend and emailed out to those on our list. If you would like a print copy please let the office know.

Book Study: *The Liturgy of the Ordinary* by Tish Harrison Warren
Ines found this to be a very helpful book when she went through it a couple of years ago looking at God in ordinary things. She would like to explore it again with you. If you are interested, please contact her at Books@kensingtonchurch.ca

Prayer Group: will be meeting through Zoom on Wed. at 11:30 a.m.
If you would like to pray at a different time, please contact Peter.

Visiting: The government considers ministers to be essential workers. If you need a visit, please contact Rev. Peter.

Live Worship: After Montréal is no longer a Red Zone, Session will reconsider when we feel it is safe to open. If you would like the Zoom information, please contact Peter.

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Approaching God



Lighting of the Christ Candle

Jésus Chris est la lumière du monde.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

While Jesus walked the earth, his light spread (lighting a candle for each, that will later be extinguished), to people like:

- the Disciples
- children
- the Samaritan woman
- the 10 lepers
- the 5000 who were feed
- Zaccheus
- Mary, Martha & Lazarus



Call to worship (which is from the PWS&D (Presbyterian World Service and Development) and is being used by congregations across Canada)

The night and day are dark and difficult.

This man did not deserve to be hit and spat upon—
denied, forsaken, mocked.

Crucify him! Crucify him!

This is the hardest part of the journey - Jesus betrayed,
arrested, brought before the authorities, tried and condemned.
Beaten, rejected, a crown of thorns pressed on his brow,
and the crowd chants “Crucify him!”

Crucify him! Crucify him!

Head bowed down, the Lord of life is condemned to die.

O Lord, was this for us?

God, forgive us for all the ways we have left you

and not followed you and your ways.

It is finished. The temple veil torn. The world is dark. Silence.

♪ Hymn: From heaven you came.....8 (379)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCAdWs-ZyEk



Prayer of Confession

Jesus, the Good Shepherd,
your Spirit has called us here & now
to remember your story leading up to your death.
It reminds us of our story;
how we turn away from pain,
or stop to watch, ...or even cause hurt.
Help us to see our sins,
and to leave them with you,
so that we can follow you into a brighter future.
Amen.



Assurance of Pardon

Here the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God’s love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Glory to God. Amen.



Lord’s prayer (feel free to use another version/translation)
Jesus left us a prayer to guide us into a healthier relations with
God and each other. Let us join with Christians around the
world, saying...
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is 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.
For the kingdom,
the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.



Listening to God

- ✦ Intro to the readings
 - While today's story is familiar, it is also powerful. We will be experiencing it as a series of readings, prayers & hymns.

🧎 Prayer
May your Spirit take these stories of betrayal and pain
and remind us of who you are.
May we find hope for ourselves and our neighbours
in your love shown then and living now.
Amen.

Supper

📖 Reading: Mark 14: 12, 17-18, 22-26

✦ Meditation
The ordinary and the special: bread, a cup, lamb.
Made special in the Seder when Jews are reminded of how the
LORD freed them.
Made special for Christians as Jesus adds more meaning to

these elements of ordinary life.

🧎 Prayer
Jesus, our bread of life.
Thank you for the connections we have with you
in the singing of hymns,
and in food and drink.
Thank you that common things are special,
and can remind us of your love;
and that you stay faithful to us,
even when you know how weak we are.
Amen.

🎵 Hymn: 'Twas on that night.....9 (537)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPieB7HOJHE

Prayer

📖 Reading: Mark 14: 32-36,

✦ Meditation
Has your soul ever been
overwhelmed? What do you do?
In NIV translation it says, Jesus' soul
was overwhelmed. The translation we
heard today said, "distressed and
agitated." You can remember feeling distressed, overwhelmed.
Can you imagine Jesus feeling that way?

Jesus prays for the hard times to be taken from him. It's
possible. But he trusts that what will happen will bring God's
light to the world. Jesus has faith, and prayers "thy will be done."

🧎 Prayer
God, as a mother wants to protect her children,
you want to protect us.



Please take the suffering away
that happens because the world is broken.
and help us accept the suffering we will face;
to challenge the pain,
and help bring your healing.

Amen.

♪ Hymn: Lord Jesus, you shall be my song.....10 (665)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFxmIT_NJyo

betrayal

📖 Reading: Mark 14: 37-38, 42-53

✧ Meditation

They all did it - betrayal - with what they didn't do,
and what they did.

They couldn't stay awake to help with prayers.

When the lynch mob came
they hadn't listened to his teaching;
they didn't follow his examples.

and one attacked with violence.

They all ran away.

We all do it - with what we don't do, and what we do.

🙏 Prayer

God of peace,

Your closest students betrayed you.

What chance do we have?

Shine your light on our faults,

and give us the strength to walk with you into the future.

Amen.

♪ Hymn: Remember not, O God.....9 (47)



condemned

📖 Bible Reading: Mark 15:1-15

✧ Meditation

Crowds.

The energy that flows through them can be electrifying.

Lifting people up... or tearing them down.

They can be wild,

or guided with guile.

What happened?

'What happened,' Pilate asks. 'What's he done?'

It was a good question.

Jesus had debated with the religious leaders,
but that was normal? What were they afraid of?
Jesus was popular.
The crowd last Sunday had been big and excited.
They had called him King.
He was probably a threat to public law and order;
but was that enough to end his life?

 Prayer
Mighty God
Help us to remember that your ways can threaten the way we do things... threaten 'the system'.
We pray for those in the system, or depending on the system, or looking to the system for help.
We ask for your justice to shine through.

LORD, we also pray for those in positions of power.
We pray for our government leaders:
Mayor Planté, Premier Legault, and Prime Minister Trudeau.
We pray for the corporate leaders and their decisions.
And we pray that nobody will be tempted to abuse their gift.
Amen.

 Hymn: We lay our broken world.....11 (202 #1-3 (tune 389))
www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvmXNG6VXJU

a little fun

 Bible reading: Mark 15:16-20

 Meditation
Sharing a bit of fun.
Teasing
Mocking
What's the harm?

This time it's soldiers,
but we've seen it when we were in school
...and elsewhere.
In hallways, amongst 'friends', in homes.

It's just a bit of fun?

 Prayer
Lord of Hosts
We remember your humiliation,
the pain of the thorns and the mocking words.
And Lord, we pray for those who may not think they are leaders,
but who still have power over someone,
or a part of your creation. . .
Amen.

Hymn: Oh come and mourn with me awhile.....11 (237 #2, 4)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVL6rZIOD1o



Christ mocked
Annie Fearon Walke

no hiding

📖 Bible reading: Mark 15:21-24

✦ Meditation

Vulnerable.

Simon. That black man pulled from the crowd by the guards.

Forced into a situation he wanted nothing to do with.

and left. changed.

connected to a man pulled away from everyone

Stripped -

of clothing

of disciples

of friends.

Jesus

naked and vulnerable.

🙏 Prayer

Jesus, your faith took you to the cross.

May those deserted by friends and family;

those who are alone and vulnerable

find you helping to carry their load.

Amen.

🎵 Hymn: Alone you once went forth, O Lord.....12 (232 #1-2)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=rtF4VL53wqA

nailed

📖 Bible reading: Mark 15:25-32

✦ Meditation

We look on from a distance:

a distance of time and space and culture,

a distance of safety in our homes

It still hurts to watch Jesus ridiculed and dying,

even at a distance.

It hurts to know what was needed to show The Way.
It hurts to know how much we are valued and loved.

🙏 Prayer

Great Physician,

For the depth of your love

for us,

for others,

for the world,

we thank you.

Amen.

🎵 Hymn: Were you there.....12 (233 #1-2)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRaFdfkOVyY



Night - Herman

death

📖 Bible reading – Mark 15: 33-41

✦ Meditation

Forsaken...

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

Jesus put aside his will and followed you.

and was mocked and tortured

and is now dying away from friends, family

...feeling forsaken by God.

His ministry:

the teachings, the wonders,

pointing people to you,

all coming to this

this... dying

dying,... dead.

🙏 Prayer

[time of silence]

Amen.

🎵 Hymn: Were you there..... 12 (233 #4-5)



buried

📖 Bible reading: Mark 15:42–47

✦ Meditation

Jesus is dead. [pause]

Death is hard and final.

The door is shut now,

and the world squirms and waits.

And we wait

entering a darkness that seems like forever,

longing for the morning,

longing for the light.

🙏 Prayer

Everlasting LORD,

We pray for all who are waiting;

for all who are longing for light. . .

In your mercy, hear our prayers.



note: You may feel that the end of our worship service is incomplete. That's because it is, and it's an important time to remember. Perhaps you've felt like you've been living in this place while under the shadow of COVID? Please join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for the continuation.

379 From heaven you came, helpless babe

THE SERVANT KING 8 8 7 8 with refrain

Unison

Chords: Cm G/B Abmaj7 Bb/Ab Eb/G

1. From heaven you came, help-less babe, en-tered our world, your
 2. There in the gard-en of tears, my hea-vy load he
 3. Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of
 4. So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives en-

Chords: Ab/C Eb/Bb Bb Cm G/B Abmaj7

glo-ry veiled, not to be served but to serve,
 chose to bear; his heart with sor-row was torn:
 sac-ri-fice, hands that flung stars in-to space
 throne him, each oth-er's needs to pre-fer,

Chords: Bb/Ab Eb/G Ab/C Eb/Bb Bbsus4 - 2

and give your life that we might live.
 "Yet not my will but yours," he said.
 to cru-el nails sur-ren-dered.
 for it is Christ we're serv-ing.

Refrain (Bb) Eb Bb Cm Cm/Bb

This is our God, the Ser-vant King, he calls us

Chords: Ab Bb (Ab/Bb) Eb Bb Eb Eb/Db

now to fol-low him, to bring our lives as a dai-ly of-fer-

Chords: Ab/C D Eb /G Bb

ing of wor-ship to the Ser-vant King. King.

1. -3. Eb G7 Eb 4. Eb

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'Twas on that night

ROCKINGHAM 8 8 8 8 LM

E♭ Ab B♭ E♭ /G Ab 6 E♭ /G E♭ma'

1. 'Twas on that night when doomed to know the ea - ger
 2. and af - ter thanks and glo - ry given to God who
 3. "My bro - ken bo - dy thus I give for you, for
 4. Then in his hands the cup he raised and God a

Ab Eb/G B♭/D E♭ /B♭ B♭ /D F B♭ /Ab

rage of eve - ry foe, that night in which he
 rules in earth and heaven, that sym - bol of his
 all; take, eat and live; and oft the sa - cred
 new he thanked and praised; the full - ness of God's

E♭/G E♭ F7 B♭ Eb/G Fm7-6 E♭ Ab6 Eb/G Eb/B♭ B♭ 7 E♭

was be - trayed, the Sav - iour of the world took bread,
 flesh he broke, and thus to all his fol - lowers spoke:
 rite re - new that brings my won - drous love to view."
 grace he showed, and from his lips sal - va - tion flowed.

5. "My blood I thus pour forth," he cries,
 "to cleanse the soul in sin that lies;
 in this the covenant is sealed,
 and heaven's eternal grace revealed.
 See also: Rockingham 231
6. "With suffering love this cup is given;
 let all partake the wine of heaven,
 and when you gather, let it pour
 in living memory of this hour."

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 fo Music: Psalmody in Miniature, Second Supplement, c. 1780; adaptation, Edward Miller (1731–1807)

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Psalm 79
 Remember not, O God

SOUTHWELL (DAMAN) 6 6 8 6 SM

Em Bsus4-3 Em Dsus4-3 G

1. Re - mem - ber not, O God, the sins of long a - go;
 2. O Lord, our Sav - iour, help, and glo - ri - fy your name;
 3. Then, safe with - in your fold, we will ex - alt your name;

Dsus4 - 3 C/E D7/F# G /B D G D Em Bsus4-3 Em

in ten - der mer - cy vis - it us, dis - tressed and hum - bled low.
 de - liv - er us from all our sins and take a - way our shame.
 our thank - ful hearts with songs of joy your good - ness will pro - claim.

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Lord Jesus, you shall be my song

LES PETITES SOEURS 12 14 12 12

D A Bm7 (G/B)A7/C# G/D D

1. Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
 2. Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 1. Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;
 2. Jé - sus, je vou - drais te lou - er sur ma rou - te;

D G(sus2) G/F# Em /D A/C# Em/D A/C# (/B) A

I'll tell eve-ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
 May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais que ma voix soit l'é - cho de ta joie,

/G D/F# D G(sus2) B7/D# Em (/D) A/C#

for our life and our peace and our love is your - self.
 May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
 car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
 et que chan - te la terre et que chan - te le ciel;

D A Bm7 (G/B)A7/C# G/D D

Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te lou - er sur ma rou - te.

3. As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant,
 to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.
 For you saved me by giving your body and blood.
 As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.
4. I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey;
 but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side.
 And with all of the family you saved by your love,
 we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.
3. Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route,
 Jésus, je voudrais partager les souffrances de ta croix,
 car tu livres pour moi et ton corps et ton sang;
 Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route.
4. Jésus, je voudrais tout au long de ma route,
 entendre tes pas résonner dans la nuit près de moi,
 jusqu'à l'aube du jour où ton peuple sauvé,
 Jésus, chantera ton retour sur ma route.

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 Music: Les Petites Soeurs de Jésus

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We lay our broken world in sorrow at your feet

TRENTHAM 6686SM

F Bb/F Bbm/F F /A C7/GF Bb6 Dm/BbC F Bb/F Gm6

1. We lay our bro-ken world in sor-row at your feet, haunt-ed by
 2. Here hu-man life seems less than pro-fit, might and pride, though to u-
 3. We bring our bro-ken towns, our neigh-bours hurt and bruised; you show us

F/A F Bbmaj7 Bb6 Gm /Bb F/C (C F/C) C7 F

hun-ger, war and fear, op-pressed by power and hate.
 nite us all in you, you lived and loved and died.
 how old pain and wounds for new life can be used.

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237 Oh come and mourn with me awhile

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Dm C F Bb F/C C7 F Dm /C Bb

1. Oh come and mourn with me a-while; oh come ye
 2. Have we no tears to shed for him, while sol-diers
 3. Seven times he spoke, seven words of love, and all three
 4. O love of God! O hu-man sin! In this dread

F/A Dm F/C C 7 F (Dm/F) Em7 A

to the Sav-iour's side; oh come, to- geth- er
 scoff and foes de- ride? Ah! look how pa- tient -
 hours his si- lence cried, "For- give: they know not
 act your strength is tried, and vic- to- ry re -

Dm Gm6 A Dm Gm Dm/A A7 Dm

let us mourn; Je- sus, our Lord, is cru- ci- fied.
 ly he hangs: Je- sus, our Lord, is cru- ci- fied.
 what they do." Je- sus, our Lord, is cru- ci- fied.
 mains with love: for Christ, our Lord, is cru- ci- fied.

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Alone you once went forth, O Lord

BANGOR 8 6 8 6 CM

Cm G 7 Cm Gm/Bb Ab6 Bb Eb G7/D

1. A - lone you once went forth, O Lord, in
 2. Our sins, not yours, you bore then, Lord: make
 3. This was earth's dark - est hour, but you did
 4. Grant us with you to suf - fer, Lord, that,

sac - ri - fice to die; does not your sor - row
 us your sor - row feel; till through our pi - ty
 light and life re - store; then let us give all
 as we share this hour, your cross may bring us

Ab Bb/D Eb (/D) Cm (/D /Eb) Cm/G G7 Cm

touch the hearts of peo - ple pass - ing by?
 and our shame love an - swers love's ap - peal.
 praise to you who live for - ev - er - more.
 to your joy and res - ur - rec - tion power.

See also: Bangor 6 751

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Were You There

Eb Fm7 Bb7 Eb Ab Eb

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

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? *Were you there?*
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? *Were you there?*

Oh, some - times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.

Eb Ab Eb G7 Cm Ab Eb Ab Bb

Cm Fm Eb/Bb Fm7 Bb7 Eb Ab Eb

Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? *Were you there?*
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? *Were you there?*

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