

Kincardine United Church Palm/Passion Sunday April 14, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Welcome. You bless us with your presence. If you are a first time worshipper, please sign our guest register at the front entrance of the church. Thank you for turning off your cell phones and for refraining from flash photography. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the downstairs hall following the service.

Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.

*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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PRELUDE Our Father Telemann

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked this land, weaving their identity and their spirituality intimately with the land.

European colonisation came about in large part

because of the Doctrine of Discovery,

a flawed understanding that ignores

indigenous presence on the land.

Affirming the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and, therefore, repudiating the wrong of such a doctrine, we begin our worship this morning by acknowledging

the unceded territory of the Chippewas of Nawash First Nation, the Saugeen Ojibwe and, more recently, the Saugeen Metis.

We are all Treaty people,

parties to the Upper Canada, Haldimand, Huron and Niagara Treaties.

Keep us mindful of the covenants that have been made – and broken – with First Nations peoples.

May we grow into living with respect on this land, walking into reconciliation through peace and friendship while honouring all who live, work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST WITH THE PALMS

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Prelude J.C. Kittel

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE AND THE LENTEN CANDLES

...Pilot, King Herod and Judas Iscariot

CALL TO WORSHIP IN DRAMA

...Curious Child, Old Turtle, Peter, James, John

PRAYER OF APPROACH (in unison)
Loving God, we come to be changed.
We come to see the world through story and song.
We come to witness the One who comes in your name.
Praise and glory in the highest be to you, O God,
for the wonder of a gift so freely given. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 123 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SCRIPTURE Psalm 118:22-23, 26-29 from the paraphrase *The Message* ...read by Pilot and King Herod

GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Herod: Yet still they did not recognize Jesus for who he was,

nor for the transformation he was bringing.

(The first Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

GOD INVITES US TO TABLE

INVITATION

...Curious Child, Old Turtle, Peter, James, John

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts to God.

We lift up our hearts as a family of faith.

Let us give God our thanks and praise.

Praise and thanks be to you, O God,

for you have blessed with this unlikely family.

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: When we forget to love,

Herod: We are slowly plunged into darkness.

(The second Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER RECOGNISING THE SPIRIT

Let us pray together:

God of overwhelming Love, bless this bread and this grape juice, that in these symbols of Jesus' self-giving we find the strength and the courage to give our selves, finding that the gift is the giver. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Communion will be served at the front of the church.

The ushers will direct you forward using the centre aisle to receive the bread, to receive the small glass of grape juice, to prayerfully partake of each.

Please return to your seat using the side aisles.

Gluten-free crackers are available separately from the bread.

Please let an usher know if you wish to be served in your seat.

An appropriate response when receiving the bread or grape juice is "Amen."

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

May what we have received allow us to truly live:

live as people of community,

live as people of faith,

live as people of sacrifice,

live as people of self-giving love. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH STORY

...Curious Child. Old Turtle. Judas Iscariot

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S STORY IN CHRIST

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

We come before you, O God,

not to offer 30 pieces of silver, but to offer our selves.

May you bless what we give,

making us part of resurrection life for others. Amen.

VOICES UNITED 149 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verse 1 only)

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: When we allow evil to twist us to the smallness of our selfish desires,

Herod: we abandon who we are created to be.

(The third Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

THE BETRAYAL

...Curious Child, Old Turtle, Peter, James, John

VOICES UNITED 149 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verse 2 only)

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: When we fall prey to greed and conflict,

Herod: we become those who would snuff out the Light of the World.

(The fourth Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

THE POLITICS OF POWER

...Curious Child, Old Turtle, Pilot, King Herod

VOICES UNITED 149 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verses 3-4 only)

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: When we lack the courage of our faith,

Herod: we allow more of the darkness of the world to dominate.

(The fifth Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER A Paraphrase (Voices United #916)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and what shall be.

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom

sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORD TO LIVE THE STORY

THE COST OF SELF-GIVING LOVE

...Curious Child, Old Turtle, Peter, James, John

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Pilot: When we lose hope in God's purpose for each of us,

Herod: we become those who would shut out the light. (The last Lenten Candle is extinguished by Judas Iscariot.)

*MORE VOICES 73 "O God, Why Are You Silent?"

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT #298 VU "When You Walk from Here" When you walk from here, when you walk from here, walk with justice, walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

POSTLUDE Fughetta in g minor

J.E. Rembt



AV MINISTRY TEAM . Jim & Judy Zarubick,

Sean Crawford-Thompson

COUNTERS Liz & Barry Schmidt

DRAMA PARTICIPANTS ◆ Catharine Crawford, Donna Mowry,

Gregg McClelland, Dotty McClelland, Melinda Smegal, Greg Hartwick,

Alex Hallum, Stephanie Hallum-Hartwick

APRIL HOUSE LEADER A Sheila Bauer

MUSIC David Hamilton

NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie

WORSHIP I Gord Dunbar, Kerry Stover