

ST Catherines CHURCH

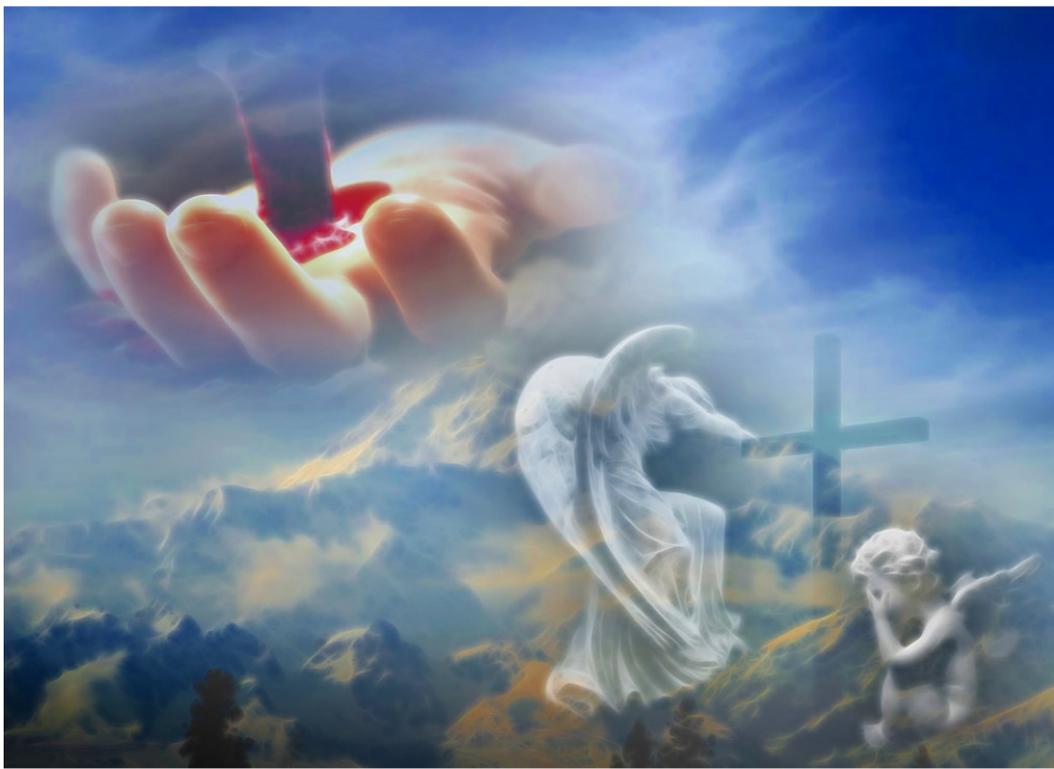


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APRIL 17, 2022

EASTER SUNDAY

10 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE



Artist: Beverly and Pack (creative commons)

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Presider: Rev. Sharon Smith

Music: Rob Gloor (Piano & Organ)

Robin Shier (Trumpet)

St. Catherine's Sings

Greeters: Tony Dodd and Pip Stigger

Eucharistic Gillian Holland, Susana Wensley & Lynn

Ministers: Spence

Hot Cross Buns: Penny Zuk

Altar Guild: Heather Luccock

Readers: **1)** Peter Mercer **2)** Janet Johnston

Intercessor: Hugh Crosthwait

Livestream and Sound: Chris Wensley & Cody Spence

Sunday Teacher: Daela Dalzell

As you enter the church, we invite you to light a votive candle to remember a person or situation that you carry on your heart. Candles are also available during communion.

GATHERING

Prelude: Purcell Sonata in D

Robin Shier, trumpet

Welcome & Intention: Rev Sharon Smith

A moment of silent reflection.

Presider: Alleluia Christ is Risen!

People: **Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia.**

Presider: As we gather on the unceded and ancestral lands of Coast Salish nations, let us pray that Christ's grace and peace will be with us.

All: **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of the Risen Christ. May our hearts be filled with joy. Alleluia!**

Gloria *(sung)*

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Presider: Friends, The Light of Christ is among us.

All: Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Processional Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

(Entry of Easter/Paschal Candle)

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day:

Presider: O God of the living,
All: **you made the tomb of
death the womb from which you
bring forth Christ,
the first-born of a new creation:
make us joyful witnesses
to this good news,
so that all humanity may flourish
in the new life of your kingdom.
Amen.**



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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts: 10: 34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, summarises the Christian message of forgiveness.

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Leader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

People: Thanks be to God..”

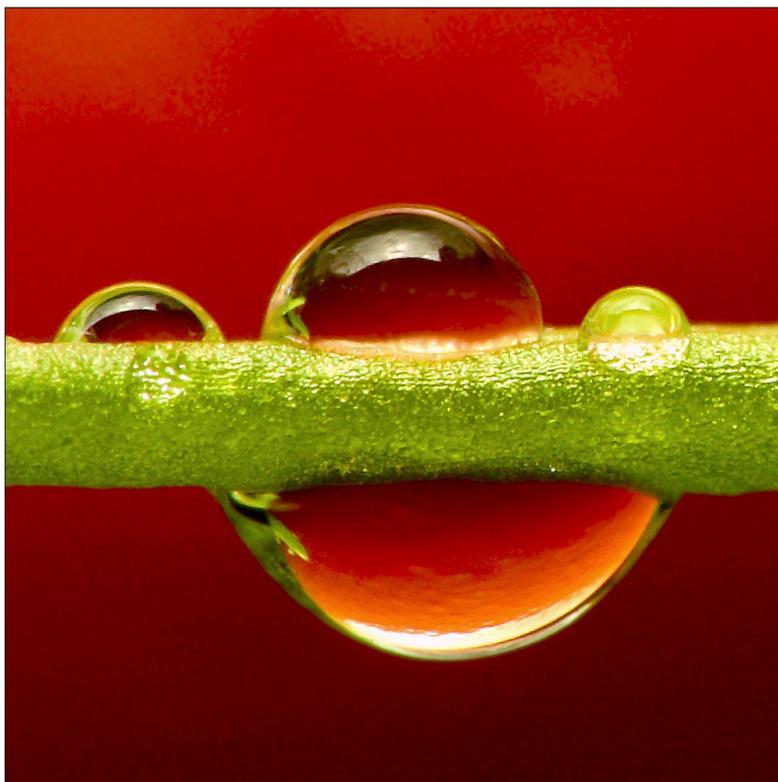


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Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

The Psalm is led by Peter Mercer

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

**People: Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."**

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

**People: Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of
the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord acts
valiantly!"**

Leader: The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

**People: I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.**

Leader: The Lord indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

**People: Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

Leader: “This is the gate of the Lord;
here the righteous may enter.”

**People: I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you
have become my salvation.**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

**People: By the Lord has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: Amen.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Paul describes the significance of Christ's resurrection, including the promise of new life and the destruction of evil.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: Now The Green Blade Rises

Now the green blade rises, from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love by hatred slain,
thinking that he never would awake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat that arising green.

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:1-12

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Gospel Hymn cont:

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
love is come again like wheat that arising green.



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Homily: Rev. Sharon

Reflective silence follows.

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Moses said,

**All: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God,
the Lord is one.**

Presider: And Jesus affirmed:

**All: Love the Lord your God with
all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.
This is the first and the great
commandment, the second is like it:
Love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no commandment greater
than these.**

Spirit of God, search our hearts.

PRAYER

Prayers of the People

Confession:

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
 God is steadfast in love and infinite in
 mercy; God welcomes all
 and invites us to this table.
 Let us confess our sins,
 confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Presider: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned
against you in thought, word, and
deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our
whole heart; we have not loved our
neighbours as ourselves. We are truly
sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your
sins, confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness, and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Choir Anthem: We Have Seen The Risen Lord

by Stan Pethel

The Passing of the Peace

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with
 you.

People: **And also with you.**

*The community, standing at our seats, greet one
another saying or gesturing: ‘Peace be with you’.*

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Communion

Preparing the Table: Alleluia No.1

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give Praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth:

he is the king of creation.

Refrain

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and is risen.

Refrain

We have been crucified with Christ:

now e shall live forever.

Refrain

Come, let us praise the living God,

joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Refrain

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider: Blessed are you, O God,

All: ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings.

**As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and to respond to those
in need, through Jesus the Christ, our
Saviour and Lord.**

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Supplementary Prayer 2

Presider: May God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to God.

Presider: Let us offer thanks to God our Creator.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider:

Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love
you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our
hearts.

When we turn from your love and
defile the earth, you do not abandon
us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and
Micah, through prophets, sages, and
saints in every age, to confront our sin
and reveal the vision of your new
creation.

Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory saying (singing):

Sanctus (Argentina)

**Holy, Holy, Holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words; you are holy
Lord.**

**In God's name is coming the One
whom we call blessed.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Praise and thanks to
God.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words; you are holy
Lord.**



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Presider:

Gracious God,
in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the
Christ to share our fragile humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and
resurrection you open the path from
brokenness to health, from fear to trust,
from pride and conceit to reverence for
you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear
the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was
near.

His head anointed for burial by an
unknown woman, Jesus gathered
together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke
it and gave it to his friends,
saying, "Take and eat: this is my body
which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said “Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ’s undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider: Breathe your Holy Spirit,
**All: the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we
bring to you:
this bread, this cup,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love
for all the world and ministers of
your transforming purpose.**

Presider: Through Christ, with Christ, and in
Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, Creator of all,
and we bless your holy name for
ever.

People: Amen.

Lord's Prayer (*Sung*):

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.
For the kingdom, the power
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

Fraction (Breaking the Bread):

Presider: Lord, we died with you the cross.
All: **Now we are raised to new life.**
Presider: We were buried in the tomb.
All: **Now we share in your resurrection.**
Presider: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Invitation to the Table:

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion:

All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Wafers), or Communion of one or both kinds at the Altar. Gluten free wafer are available upon request. Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.

Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.



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Communion Hymn: Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature
O thou the Godhead's human son:
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer
who makes the troubled heart to sing

Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
And fair the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty,
heavenly and earthly,
wondrously, Jesus is found in thee,
none can be nearer,
Fairer, or dearer
than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

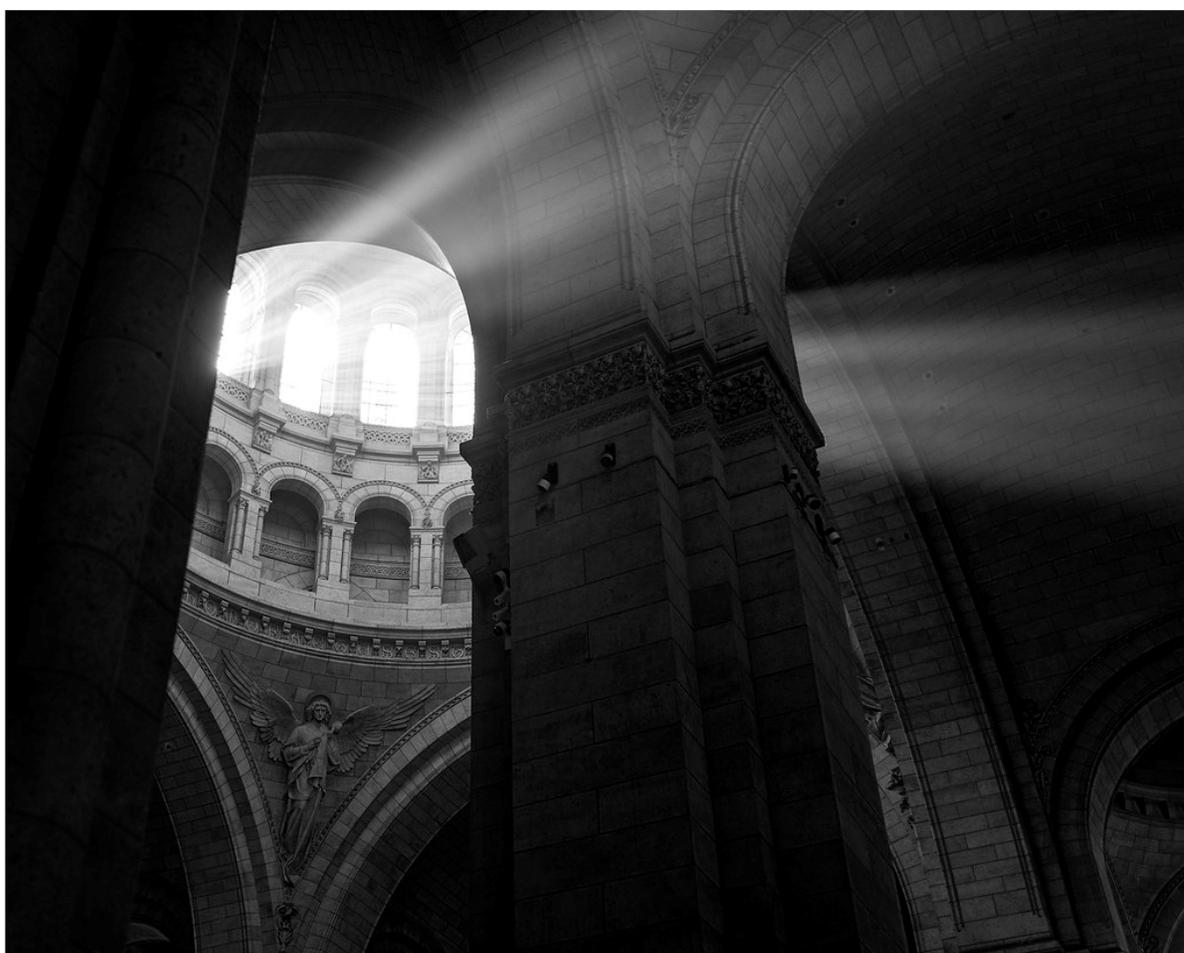


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Prayer after Communion:

Presider:

Life-giving God,

All:

**in the mystery of Christ's
resurrection**

**you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life,
and the bread of life to nourish
your people.**

**Send us forth as witnesses of
Christ's resurrection, so that we
may show your love to all the
world, through the risen Christ we
pray. Amen.**

Sending

Announcements – Rev. Sharon

Presider: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing:

Presider: On this day
the blessings of heaven.

**All: On this day
the blessings of earth.**

Presider: On this day
the blessings of sea and of sky.

**All: To open us to life
to ground us in life
to fill us with life
and with wonder.**

Presider:

On those we love this day
and on every human family

All:

**the blessings of heaven
the blessings of earth
the blessings of sea and of sky.
Easter blessings to all. Amen**

Sending Hymn: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!

Postlude

Clarke: Trumpet Voluntary - Robin Shier, trumpet

Dismissal:

Presider: Go – love wholeheartedly
 Live as you were created
 And be instruments of peace in our
 fragmented world.

People: Thanks be to God.



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Special Thank you to All Holy Week Volunteers

Monday Evening Prayer

Leader: Deborah Foster

Reflection: Paul Clark

Tuesday Evening Prayer

Leader: Janet Benjamin

Reflection: Billy Garton

Wednesday Evening Prayer

Leader: Hugh Crosthwait

Reflection: Bev London

Maundy Thursday

Readers: Sharon Fedorak, John Luccock, Sara

Actors: John Luccock, Derek Barratt

Foot Washing: Diane Stickney

Supper Team: Elizabeth Barratt, Bonnie Grundy, Alison Watt,
Lori Burns, Susana Wensley

Music: Rob Gloor and Singers

Altar and Garden: Altar Guild and Betty Portfors

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Set up: Heather Luccock, Robb Watt, Rev. Sharon Smith

Greeters: Gillian Holland, Marion Porter, Hugh Crosthwait, Tony Dodd, Bob Paxton, Sara and Armin

Holy Saturday Fire

Event Hosts: Cody Spence, Daela Dalzell, Ethan Spence

Holy Week Bulletins and Advertising:

Marion Porter, Gillian Holland, Julia Hadrill, Elaine Van Horne, Elizabeth Barratt, Mermi, and Robb Watt.

*Have a Blessed
Easter!!*

*Hot cross buns are
served in the Foyer.*



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The flowers this morning are given to the
Glory of God and in thanksgiving for many
blessings, by:

Lois MacGregor (in memory of Duncan
MacGregor),
Deborah Foster (in memory of Phil
Sunderland),
Derek Barratt (in memory of Marjorie Barratt),
Janet Morris,
Penny Zuk,
Marthe Duncombe
Linda Robertson and Gordon Lee.