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The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron
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The Liturgy of the Palms

Invitatory BAS p. 297

Exhortation and Prayer BAS p. 297

Palm Gospel Matthew 21:1-11

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessing of the Palms

Palm Procession (Proceed from gathering to church during prelude)

The Gathering of the Community

Hymn #181 All Glory, Laud and Honour

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory, may we, walking in the way of the cross, find it is for us the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Isaiah 50: 4-9a Susan Gardiner Marklevitz

Psalm 31: 9-16 *BAS p 740*

Second Reading Philippians 2: 5-11 Louise McColl

Gradual Hymn #564 Lead Us Heavenly Father

Passion Gospel Matthew 26: 14-27:66

Sermon The Rev Canon Rob Lemon

Anthem *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

The Nicene Creed BAS p. 188

Prayers of the PeopleDianne McCabe

Response: Creator, hear and have mercy.

Confession and Absolution BAS p. 191

The Peace BAS p. 192

Peal of the Bells Peter Ryde

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #184

My Song Is Love Unknown

#690

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice, may we receive your love and mercy. **Amen**.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #3	BAS p. 198
Sanctus	#689
The Lord's Prayer	BAS p. 211
Breaking of the Bread #7	BAS p. 213

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world grant us peace.

The Communion

Agnus Dei

All Christians of any age are welcome to receive communion with this community of God's people. At the time of communion, please come forward. The bread will be placed in your outstretched hands to which you may wish to respond "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available. You are invited to drink from the common cup. If you are uncomfortable drinking from the cup, you may pass by the chalice bearer or stop and touch the cup or bow your head briefly. In the Anglican tradition, it is completely acceptable to receive communion by only the bread or only the wine. If you are not receiving communion but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

Go to Dark Gethsemane When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Prayer After Communion

God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son, we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and for ever

Doxology BAS p. 214

The Blessing

Hymn #182 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Dismissal

Postlude Stephane Potvin

Easter Memorial Flowers – 2023

Parishioners wishing to donate towards the 2023 Easter Memorial Altar Flowers may contact either:

- Susan LeBrun at susan.lily@wightman.ca
- Kelly Strasler at office@stjamesstratford.ca
 Or call the office: 519-271-3272

Please provide your dedication, and the amount you wish to contribute by Monday April 3rd.

St. James Easter Office Hours

Holy Week: Monday to Thursday 9am to 12pm

Good Friday: Closed Easter Monday: Closed

St. Paul's & St. James Anglican Churches Holy Week Services

April 2nd-9th, 2023

Palm Sunday

8:30 & 10:30 a.m. @ St. James 10 a.m. @ St. Paul's

Holy Monday

12 p.m. @ St. Paul's 7 p.m. @ St. James

Holy Tuesday

12 p.m. @ St. Paul's 7 p.m. @ St. James

Holy Wednesday

10 a.m. Joint Service @ St. James 7 p.m. Tenebrae @ St. Paul's

Maundy Thursday

7 p.m. in both churches

Good Friday

10 a.m. @ St. Paul's 10:30 @ St. James

Holy Saturday

7 p.m. Joint Great Vigil of Easter @ St. James

Easter Sunday

8:30 & 10:30 a.m. @ St. James 10 a.m. @ St. Paul's

NOTICES FOR APRIL 2nd

"The Watch" is Back:

Maunday Thursday to Good Friday, 10:00pm-6:00am

Mark 14: 37 "Could you not keep awake one hour?"

An opportunity to recall Jesus' last night in the Garden of Gethsemane with his disciples. Walk the candle-lit labyrinth, reflect, meditate, accompany, be present to the silence as you watch. Stay as long or as short as you like in solitude or jointly. Reading material and suitable music will be available as preferred, perhaps bring your own.

Choose your time slot. Enter through the ramp door. Please sign the roster at the back of the church with contact information. Contact person: Mark Allwood 519 273-6104, markallwood@cyg.net

Upcoming ACW Meeting & Luncheon

Important ACW Luncheon
Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 11:00 a.m. - Lower Hall
Please attend - RSVP karenhaslam@wightman.ca

Upcoming Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be on the THIRD Saturday (not the second, due to Easter observances) of the month, <u>April 15th at 8:30 am</u>. Coffee, Tea, and Juice will be standing by at 8:15 am.

Jazz Vespers

The next Jazz Vespers will be on Sunday April 16 at 4 p.m. featuring Jayne Hysen, solo piano. Jayne is from London and led an all-female quartet here last May. The is a gifted pianist and composer. Please invite your friends to this informal evening worship service.

Artwork On Display at the Stratford Public Library

For those interested in viewing Karin Johansson Mussen's artwork, there is currently a display of 17 paintings on the Main Floor of the Stratford Public Library until April 15, 2023. Thank you for your encouragement

In The Beholder's Eye Project:

Sunday, April 2: Today's artist is Mary Lou Kingham Fifteen different displays at the back of St. James' Church; one for each Sunday from 10 a.m.- 12:30p.m., started mid-January until April 30, 2023.

There continues to be such an **excellent** response for this new initiative! Many Thanks to all Participants and to our Supportive Parishioners. All spots are currently taken. Please plan to display next Winter. Remember children's and grandchildren's artwork is also most welcome.

May your Creativity bring you closer to an Inner Calm.

Contact Karin Mussen at kejmstudios@gmail.com.

Upcoming Readings – Easter Sunday April 9th

Acts: 10: 34-43 Psalm: 118: 1-2, 14-24

Colossians: 3: 1-4 John: 20: 1-18

Chancel Team #5 Lori Colbeck

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 5-Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. BCP Service

Christian Meditation at 4:30 p.m.

Apr 6 -Celtic Prayer Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.

Apr 7-Bible Study on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 noon, St. Paul's

Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. Apr 8 -

Apr 9-Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.



