

St Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

The Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Good Friday, April 7, 2023

"Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name." *Philippians 2. 8–9*

Welcome

The Parish of St. Mary the Virgin is a member of the Diocese of British Columbia and the Anglican Church of Canada.

We are inclusive and welcoming communities of faith: the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we.

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We acknowledge with gratitude that we live, work and play on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen peoples. We commit ourselves, as a settler church and people, to continue with our First Nations hosts on the journey of truth-telling, healing, and reconciliation. Minister of Welcome: Karen Wilson

Presider: The Rev'd Canon Craig Hiebert

Music Director: Curt Bergen

Musicians: Sue Gill, Bob Gill, Kat McCann, John McCann, David Stewart,

Elizabeth Sly, Adrian Sly, Rachel Bergen, Craig Hiebert

Readers: Elizabeth Bergen, Gillian Fosdick

Because the service includes congregational singing, which continues to be a higher-risk activity, we thank you for maintaining everyone's safety by wearing your mask during the worship service and remembering to keep a respectful distance from others.

Note: in the service order, words set in **bold italic type** are said by the congregation.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

The Clergy and Choir enter in silence

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to their own way,

And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

Even death on a cross.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We pray you of your mercy, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

RESPONSEKyrie (Bridget)

The congregation responds to the cantor:

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Latin. 'Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.'

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, look graciously, we pray, on this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE STORY OF OUR FAITH





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My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest. **R**

Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
Our forebears put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame. **R**

But as for me, I am a worm and worthless, scorned by all and despised by the people. All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "You trusted in God; let God deliver you, rescue you, and show delight in you." **R**

Yet you, O God, are the one who took me from the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;

you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. **R**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me. They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion. **R**

I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax.

My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave. **R**

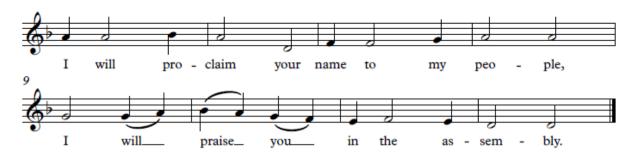
Packs of dogs close in on me, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me; they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing. **R**

Be not far away, O God; you are my strength; hasten to help me.

Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls. **R**



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Give praise, you that fear God;

stand in awe, O offspring of Israel;

all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

For you, O God, do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is your face hidden from them;

but when they cry to you, you hear them. R

My praise is of you in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

and those who seek you shall praise you:

"May your heart live for ever!" R

O God, all the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.

For sovereignty belongs to you, O God; you rule over the nations.

To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;

all who go down to the dust fall before you. R

My soul shall live for you;

my descendants shall serve you;

they shall be known as yours for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn

the saving deeds that you have done. R

THE PASSION OF CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

John 18. 1-19. 42

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

Chant (Taizé):

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus Before the High Priest / Peter Denies Jesus

Jesus, remember me...

Jesus Before Pilate / Jesus Sentenced to Death

Jesus, remember me...

The Crucifixion of Jesus

Chant: Jesus, remember me...

The Death of Jesus

Jesus, remember me...

The Burial of Jesus

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World, John Stainer

Choir and clergy move to the pews

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE SOLEMN INTERCESSION

Gillian Fosdick, Elizabeth Bergen

The bidding.

Prayers for the Church...

Silence

Almighty and everlasting God, by your Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified. Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in our vocation and ministry we may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers for the world, and its leaders...

Silence

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that justice and peace may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers for those who suffer...

Silence

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer, hear the cry of those in misery and need. In their afflictions show them your mercy, and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them, for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers for God's creation...

Silence

Oh God, you created the heavens and the earth and saw that it was good. Give us the eyes to see your goodness in all that gives life and give us the will to put to death our indifference to your creation, that rising with you to new life we may participate in the healing and restoration of the earth. Amen.

Prayers for a holy life...

Silence

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery. By the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation. Let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

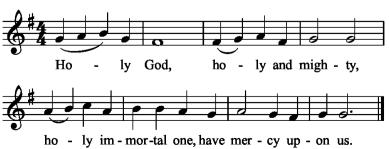
MEDITATION ON THE CROSS OF JESUS

This is the wood of the cross, on which hung the Saviour of the world.

Come let us worship.

Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow which was brought upon me, which the Lord inflicted on the day of his fierce anger.

Trisagion (Common Praise 707)



O my people, O my Church, What have I done to you, or in what have I offended you? Testify against me. I led you forth from the land of Egypt, and delivered you by the waters of baptism, but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I led you through the desert forty years, and fed you with manna. I brought you through tribulation and penitence, and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Saviour.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

What more could I have done for you that I have not done? I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard, I made you the branches of my vine; but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink, and pierced with a spear the side of your Saviour.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have led me to the judgement hall of Pilate. I scourged your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom, but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me. I gave you the water of salvation from the rock, but you have given me gall and left me to thirst.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I gave you a royal sceptre, and bestowed the keys to the kingdom, but you have given me a crown of thorns. I raised you on high with great power, but you have hanged me on the cross.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

My peace I gave, which the world cannot give, and washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you draw the sword to strike in my name, and seek high places in my kingdom. I offered you my body and blood, but you scatter and deny and abandon me.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you, and you close your hearts to the Counsellor. I pray that all may be as one in the Father and me, but you continue to quarrel and divide. I call you to go and bring forth fruit, but you cast lots for my clothing.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I grafted you into the tree of my chosen Israel, and you turned on them with persecution and mass murder. I made you joint heirs with them of my covenants, but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters; I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

Silence. In the silence, all who wish to do so are invited to approach—or to remain seated—and to make their own personal act of devotion to the cross of Christ, and what it signifies for each and for all.

The Veneration of the Cross concludes with the following prayer:

We adore you, O Christ,

and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; if we endure, we shall also reign with him.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

HYMN

There Is a Green Hill Far Away (202)

- There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall, where the dear Lord was crucified who died to save us all.
- 2. We may not know, we cannot tell what pains he had to bear; but we believe it was for us he hung and suffered there.
- 3. He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good, that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood.

- 4. There was no other good enough to pay the price of sin; he only could unlock the gate of heaven, and let us in.
- 5. O dearly, dearly has he loved, and we must love him too, and trust in his redeeming blood, and try his works to do.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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 for ever. Amen.

Silence is kept after the Lord's Prayer

FINAL PRAYER

Send down your abundant blessing, Lord, upon your people who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection. Grant them pardon; bring them comfort.

May their faith grow stronger and their eternal salvation be assured. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The clergy, choir and congregation leave in silence

EASTER WEEKEND AT ST MARY'S

In person and online. See www.stmarysoakbay.ca/easter for details and links.

Saturday Apr 8 8:00 pm **The Great Vigil of Easter** at Christ Church Cathedral

Sunday Apr 9 7:00 am **Easter Sunrise Worship** in St Mary's Garden and Chapel

10:00am Easter Eucharist



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