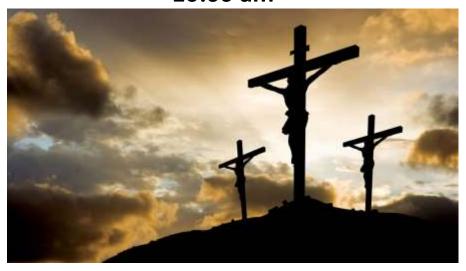
Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

Good Friday A Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the lekwenen peoples, known in our day as the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, the traditional custodians of these lands.

We are grateful for their hospitality.

Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Please stand as you are able.

Priest: All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have turned every one to his own way,

All: And the Lord has laid on him

the iniquity of us all.

Priest: Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

All: even death on a cross.

Priest: Almighty God,

All: our heavenly Father,

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.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: 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.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 12

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22

Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, and are so far from my salvation, from the words of my distress?

O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; and by night also, but I find no rest. (Response)

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

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, 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, 'He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him deliver him, if he delights in him.' (Response)

But it is you that took me out of the womb and laid me safe upon my mother's breast. On you was I cast ever since I was born; you are my God even from my mother's womb. Be not far from me, for trouble is near at hand, and there is none to help. (Response)

Mighty oxen come around me; fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side. They gape upon me with their mouths, as it were a ramping and a roaring lion. I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart has become like wax melting in the depths of my body. (Response)

My mouth is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue cleaves to my gums; you have laid me in the dust of death. *(Response)*

For the hounds are all about me, the pack of evildoers close in on me; they pierce my hands and my feet. I can count all my bones; they stand staring and looking upon me. They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing. (Response)

Be not far from me, O Lord; you are my strength; hasten to help me. Deliver my soul from the sword, my poor life from the power of the dog. Save me from the lion's mouth, from the horns of wild oxen. (Response)

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn: CP 192 Were You There (v. 1, 2, 3, 5)

(tune: Were You There)

Please be seated for the reading of the Passion Narrative.

Passion Narrative: John 18: 1 – 19: 42

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier (Please be seated)

Anthem: A Medieval Prayer for Good Friday by M. Johnson;

Vocal solo: Maria Ross; Flute: Mary Byrne

The Solemn Intercessions

Intercessor:

Let us pray for the one holy catholic and apostolic Church of Christ throughout the world: for its unity in witness and service, for all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve, for the bishop and the people of this diocese, for all Christians in this community, for those about to be baptised, that God will confirm the Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

All sing: Lord, have mercy.



Silence

Priest: Faithful and compassionate God,

your Spirit guides the Church and makes it holy;

hear the prayers we offer, that in the particular ministry to which you have called us, we may serve you faithfully,

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All: Amen.

Intercessor:

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them:

For Charles, our King, and the members of the Royal Family; for Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and for the government of this country; for Premier David Eby and the members of the legislature; for the mayors of the Capital Regional District, and those who serve with them on the councils, for all who serve the common good, that by God's help they may seek justice and truth, that all might live in peace and harmony.

All sing: Lord, have mercy.



Silence

Priest: Faithful and compassionate God,

kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of

peace,

and guide with your wisdom those in authority, that justice, peace, and freedom may increase,

until the earth is filled

with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All: Amen.

Intercessor:

Let us pray for all who suffer:

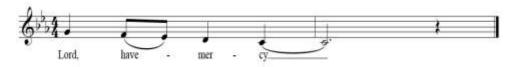
for people who are hungry and the homeless, the those who are deprived of the necessities of life;

for all who are abused and oppressed, for those who are sick,

for those who are wounded and handicapped, for those who live in loneliness and in fear, for those who struggle with confusion, doubt, and despair,

for all who are sorrowful and bereaved, for prisoners, and all at the point of death, that God's love will comfort and sustain them, and that we may be stirred up to minister to them.

All sing: Lord, have mercy.



Silence

Priest: Faithful and compassionate God,

the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer,

hear the cry of all who call on you in any trouble;

grant them the joy

of receiving your help in their need,

giving us, we pray, the strength to serve them,

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All: Amen.

Intercessor:

Let us pray for all who do not believe the gospel of Christ: for those who have never heard the message of God's love in Christ, for those who have lost their faith, for those who are indifferent to Christ, for those who actively oppose Christ by word or deed, and persecute Christ's disciples, for those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others, that God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience of God's ways.

All sing: Lord, have mercy.



Silence

Priest: Faithful and compassionate God,

you create and love all the peoples of the earth; may your good news be so lived and proclaimed, that all are brought home to your presence,

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All: Amen.

Intercessor:

Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that with all who have died in the peace of Christ, and with those whose faith is known to God alone, we may enter the fullness of life in the joy of Christ's resurrection.

We pray to you, O God.

All sing: Lord, have mercy.



Silence

Priest: God, our refuge and strength,

accept the fervent prayers of your people, and bring to fulfilment your plan for all creation,

through Jesus Christ, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn: CP 202 There is a Green Hill Far Away

(tune: Horsley)

Meditation on the Cross of Jesus

The Cross is carried into the church.

Priest: This is the wood of the cross,

on which hung the Saviour of the world.

All sing: Come let us worship.



We sing this two more times while the cross is carried down the aisle.

Veneration of the Cross

Please be seated. At this time, we invite you to come forward one by one and pause for a moment before the cross, place your hand on the wood (or another sign of reverence); then return to your place.

Music during the Veneration:

Vocal Duet: How Deep the Father's Love by Stuart

Townend; Daniel Fournier and Joan Scandrett

At the conclusion of the veneration, please stand as you are able.

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,

All: Because by your holy cross

you have redeemed the world.

Priest: O Saviour of the world,

by your cross and precious blood

you have redeemed us.

All: Save us and help us, we humbly pray.

Hymn: CP 196 Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

(tune: Herzliebster Jesu)

Priest: And now, as our Saviour taught us,

we are bold to say:

All: Our Father who art in heaven

Hallowed be thy Name

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those

who trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory,

For ever and ever.

Amen.

Closing Prayer

Priest: Send down your abundant blessing,

O Lord, upon your people who have devoutly recalled

the death of your Son in 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.

All: Amen.

The service ends in silence. You are invited to stay for a time and ponder all that you have heard and read. There is no dismissal this day as we leave in silence.

You are welcome to join us for refreshments up in the hall.

UPCOMING SERVICES

March 30 – Holy Saturday
Easter Vigil at Church of the Cross
Service starts at 7:30 pm

March 31 – Easter Services at St. Luke's 8 am Communion Service 10 am Communion Service with special music (Livestreamed and recorded) 2:30 pm Family Service and Easter Egg Hunt