

Christ Church Deer Park

March 10, 2024
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 am



WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK

We are glad to have you worship with us!

We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together.
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.



Hello! Whether this is your first time through our doors or your one thousandth, we are glad you are here! At our church you are welcome to participate as much or as little as you are comfortable doing.

So, what is our community like? Well, we are a church community from different generations and different walks of life. We are here because we want to follow Jesus and live in community with one another and our neighbours in this little corner of Toronto. We care deeply about feeding the hungry and welcoming refugees; we affirm that all people, including our LGBTQ2SI+ siblings, are made in the image of God and should be included in all the practices of our life of faith; and, no matter where we are on our spiritual journeys, we strive to lament together, rejoice together, and hold each other up on this journey of faith and life.

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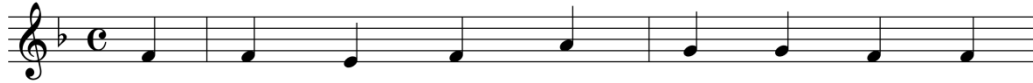
Welcome & Gathering

Opening Hymn

(please stand as you are able)

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN



1. Lord, who through - out these for - ty days, For
 2. As you with Sa - tan did con - tend, And
 3. As you did hun - ger and did thirst, So
 4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
 5. A - bide with us, that through this life Of



us did fast and pray, Teach us to o - ver -
 did the vic - t'ry win, O give us strength in
 teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self, and
 through your Pas - sion - tide, For ev - er - more, in
 doubts and hope and pain, An East - er of un -



come our sins, And close by you to stay.
 you to fight, In you to con - quer sin.
 so to live, By your most ho - ly word.
 life and death, O Lord! with us a - bide.
 end - ing joy We may at last at - tain!

Text: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898, alt.
Tune: ST. FLAVIAN, CM; John's Day Psalter, 1562; harm. based on the original faux-bourdon setting

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All: God's mercy endures forever.

Liturgy of Penitence

(please kneel as your are able)

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, the Spirit of the Lord was upon you, because he anointed you to preach good news to the poor. He sent you to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who were oppressed.



Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you ate and drank with sinners. For those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. You did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to scribes and Pharisees who brought you to a woman caught in adultery, "Let him who is without sin be the first to throw a stone." And when they had gone away, one by one, you looked at her and said, "Has no one condemned you? Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again."

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you called Zacchaeus to hasten and come down from the sycamore tree that he might receive you into his home. He gave half his goods to the poor and restored fourfold to any he had defrauded. You brought the joy of salvation to his house that day. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you welcomed the sinful woman when she knelt before you in the house of Simon. She washed your feet with her tears, wiped them with the hair of her head, and anointed you with costly ointment. You forgave her sin and sent her on her way in peace. Her sins, which were many, were forgiven, for she loved much.

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you were crucified between two thieves, one on your right and one on your left. One of them hurled insults at you but the other confessed his sin and asked you to remember him when you came into your kingdom. In the hour of your agony, you said to the penitent thief, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, in the glory of your risen life you restored Simon Peter who had disowned you in the time of trial. You committed to him the care of your flock and once again called him to follow you in the way of the cross.

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
All: have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence is kept.

Leader: Father eternal,
All: giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

Kyrie Mass for 3 Voices W. Byrd

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

The Absolution

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God of grace, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Listening to God – First Reading

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from Book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Numbers 21:4-9

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22

Refrain: M. Guimont

Verse Tone: St. Meinrad Archabbey

Refrain:

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is ev-er-last - ing.

Text: *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL
Music: Michel Guimont, © 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

Choir: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
and his mercy endures for ever.
Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south. *Refrain*

Choir: Some were fools and took to rebellious ways;
they were afflicted because of their sins.
They abhorred all manner of food
and drew near to death's door.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress. *Refrain*

Choir: He sent forth his word and healed them
and saved them from the grave.
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy
and the wonders he does for his children.
Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy. *Refrain*

Listening to God- Second Reading

Reader: A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God - not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. *Ephesians 2:1-10*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation #179 v. 4, 6e

(please stand as you are able)

Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

THOMAS

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
Come inflame our hearts anew,
We may all your joy inherit
If we bear the cross with you,
If we bear the cross with you.

Give us eyes to see you clearly,
Make us children of your light;
Give us hearts to live more nearly
As your gospel shining bright.
As your gospel shining bright.

Text and Music: M. Haugen © 1984 G.I.A. Publications

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."
John 3:14-21

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

The Apostles' Creed

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.

Sharing What We Have

Presider: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.
In the upside down world of the gospel,
we measure our wealth not by what we have,
but by what we can give away.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
to bless God's church, God's people, and God's creation. Amen.

Sharing What We Have

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done for us and because God has designed us to be givers.

Ways to Give Financially

- Through automatic monthly credit card or pre-authorized debit donations
please contact bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org if you are interested in setting up a monthly offering
- Cash or cheque made out to *Christ Church Deer Park*
- Debit/credit via the mobile credit machine at the back of the church
- E-transfer to donations@christchurchdeerpark.org
- Online via Canada Helps (scan the QR code to the right to be brought to the website)



We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

Offertory Hymn #386

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

ROCKINGHAM

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the cross of Christ, my God;

all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: I. Watts; Music: Psalmody in Miniature, 2nd Supplement (c. 1780)

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. Accept all we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of love. Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Music: © 1985, The Church Pension Fund.

President: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death,
 we proclaim his resurrection,
 we await his coming in glory;**

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;


by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

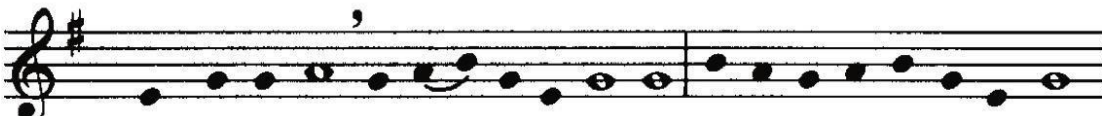
The Lord's Prayer

M. Robinson II


All:



All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,




your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread,

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Presider: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All: If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to receive communion with us

As the sidespeople pass your pew, please line up in the centre aisle.

- **To receive a blessing**, as you reach the priest with the bread, cross your arms over your chest. Return to your seat after receiving the blessing.
 - **To receive the bread**, hold your hands in front of you, palms up.
 - **To receive the wine from the cup**, take the bottom of the cup and the base and guide it to your mouth.
 - **If you prefer to take only the bread**, you may indicate this to the cup bearer by crossing your arms over your chest, or simply walking past them.
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Agnus Dei Mass for 3 Voices

(please be seated)

W. Byrd

Choir: Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Communion Motet

Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

R. Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before
thee, now and evermore. Amen.

Communion Hymn #174

Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church

FENN HOUSE

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church,
Walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,
Led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
Moved by your love and t'ward your presence bent:
Far off yet here the goal of all desire.

So daily dying to the way of self,
So daily living to your way of love,
We walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,
Knowing ourselves baptized into your death:
So we are dead and live with you in God.

If dead in you, so in you we arise,
You the firstborn of all the faithful dead;
And as through stony ground the green shoots break,
Glorious in springtime dress of leaf and flower,
So in the Father's glory shall we wake.

Text: Thomas H. Cain, © 1982; Tune: Michael Joncan

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Giver of life, you enlighten all who come into the world. Fill our hearts with the splendour of your grace, that we may perfectly love you and worthily praise your holy name, through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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: Whatever wilderness the Spirit has brought you to:
walk in boldness, as a beloved child of God;
walk in peace, under the shelter of the Most High;
walk in faith, knowing Christ walks with you.
And may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be upon, help you,
and change you as we walk with the Lord during this season of Lent. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. *Refrain*

Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. *Refrain*

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory. *Refrain*

Text: G.W. Kitchen and M. Newbolt; Tune: S. H. Nicholson; © 1974 Hope Publishing Company

Dismissal

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Fugue in C minor, BWV 582

Composer: J.S. Bach

Please join us in Elliott Hall for Coffee Hour!

Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the church are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Christopher Moysey.

Presider:
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

Preacher & Gospeller:
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Director of Music:
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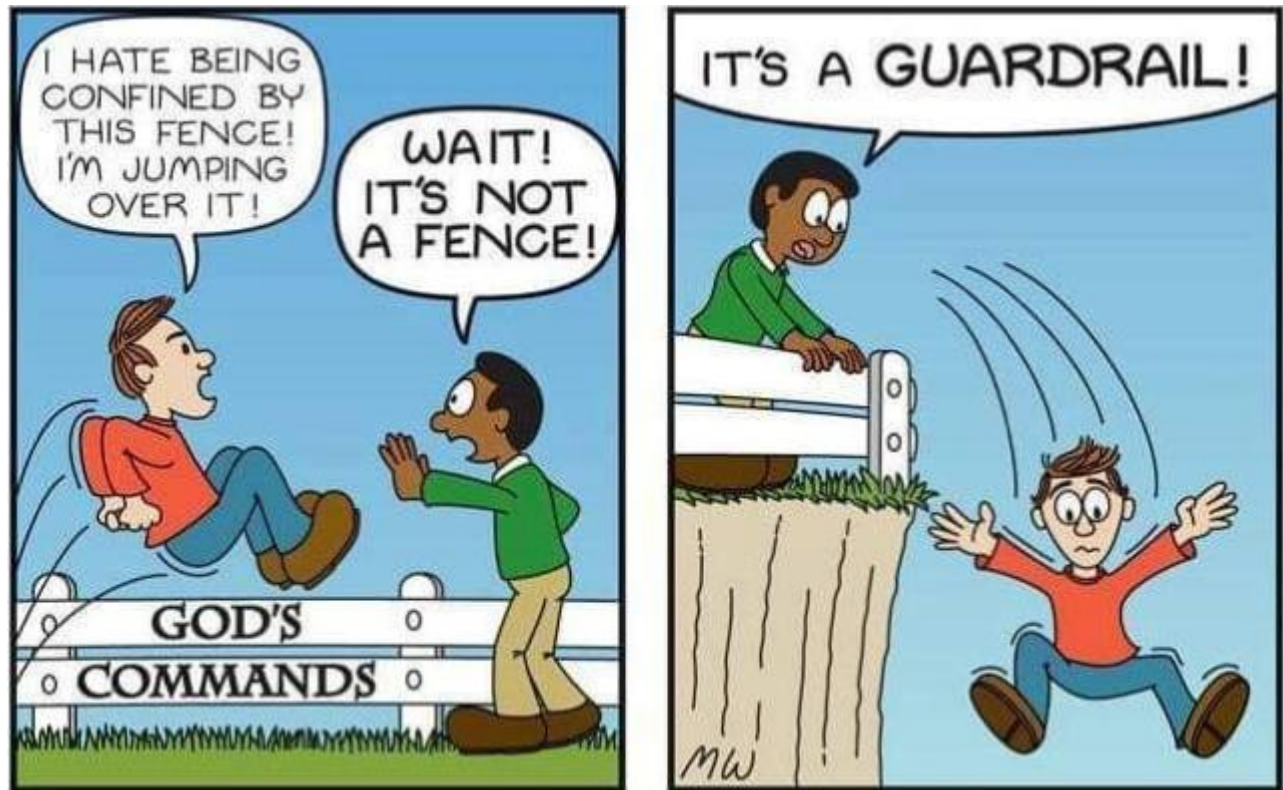
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Su Laine Varkey

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Danylo Dzwonyk

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James Finnerty

After Cheryl's sermon last week, which focussed on the Ten Commandments, a parishioner sent this cartoon. It succinctly and hysterically summed up the sermon.



Holy Week & Easter 2024



MARCH 24 PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

10:30am Sung Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms*



March 27 WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

11:00am Holy Eucharist



March 28 MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00pm Sung Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar

8:00pm Gethsemane Watch (silent vigil)



March 29 GOOD FRIDAY

9:45am Stations of the Cross

10:30am Solemn Liturgy

7:00pm Church on Tap



March 30 HOLY SATURDAY

8:00pm The Great Vigil



March 31 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Sung Eucharist*

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*Unless indicated otherwise, all liturgies
are in-person at Christ Church Deer Park.
Liturgies with an (*) will also be livestreamed.*

*Please see our website for updates and further details
www.christchurchdeerpark.org*

----ANNOUNCEMENTS----

1. DAILY LENTEN REFLECTIONS: Sign up at <https://pwrdf.org/lent2024/> to receive daily Lenten reflections from Dr. Sylvia Keesmaat, whose work we know well at CCDP. They are short and sweet and perfect for busy people.

2. CHERYL'S RETIREMENT

a. The GIFT: As we all know, Cheryl will be celebrating her last service with us on April 28, and although we will miss her dearly, we hope to express our gratitude for her many years of service to CCDP by sending her off equipped for her retirement adventures! Cheryl doesn't just walk to and from her home and the church ... she walks between 12-15 km every day as she prepares and trains for her retirement pilgrimage in May to walk 500 km of the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James), a vast network of ancient pilgrim routes which converge at the tomb of St. James in Santiago de Compostela in northwest Spain. The 35-day trek will be a walking journey of spiritual growth and renewal. As is our custom, we are gathering a purse for Cheryl. If you would like to contribute to our gift of sending her off on her pilgrimage, here are the ways you can donate:

1. Online, via our donation page on our website:
<https://christchurchdeerpark.org/give/>
2. Label an envelope "Cheryl's gift" and place it on the offering plate.
3. Stop by the office in-person and see Amanda or Elisabeth to make arrangements.

Please note that these contributions are not tax-deductible.

b. The PARTY: We of course cannot have Cheryl retire without a party! So please *save the date* for Saturday, April 27th. We are planning a coffeehouse/cabaret style retirement party to celebrate Cheryl's six-and-a-half years of ministry with us and many years of ministry in our Diocese. We are looking for people to help make this party happen (hospitality, showing off your skills in the cabaret, etc.). If you would like to help us throw a party, please reach out to Su at sulainevarkey@me.com

c. The SERVICE: Cheryl's last Sunday at CCDP will be April 28th. On that day, we will have *only one* service, which will be at 10am. Please join us!

3. THE 29TH ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY WALK is hosted each year by the Churches on the Hill (of which CCDP is a member) and involves two groups which visit the different local churches for brief prayers. The Eastern Group arrives at CCDP at 12:50pm on Good Friday. Information about the routes of the walk can be found at either entrance. All are welcome to participate.

- 4. RUMMAGE SALE INTAKE!** Our next Rummage Sale is approaching (April 20!), and we have cleaned our space in preparation for our Spring Clothing and Accessories Sale intake collection. For many newcomers and young neighbourhood dwellers, our sale is a great resource when creating their new homes. We plan to include GENTLY used household linens at all of our sales. Please check your closets, and think of us as you purge. Drop off clothes, shoes, accessories and linens to the Atrium (the glass doors halfway down the building on Heath Street) between 11 and 2pm on every Saturday until April 13th (except no intake on Holy Saturday – March 30). We are always looking for fellow workers, if you care to join us pre sale, or on our sale day. We laugh, we work, and we make money for the Church along the way. Students looking to increase Community Service hours are also welcome. ~The ReImagine Team: Jayne, Lucia, Mary and Sharon
- 5. POLLINATOR GARDEN:** Those attending the Rev. Cathy Gibbs' Lenten study series at CCDP this past Tuesday evening heard about the benefits of planting native plants in the new pollinator garden. Brad Lennon of the property committee showed how the garden along the west boundary of the church property might be designed. We also heard from Donna Lang of the Greening Sacred Spaces project of the interfaith organization Faith and the Common Good. She has arranged for the grant from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation that has enabled CCDP to purchase 70 plants that will be delivered to us in May. Donna also announced that she had received confirmation just that day that Scotts Canada would also be donating pallets of mulch and soil to us for the pollinator garden. That shipment will arrive in mid-April, and we will need a group of volunteers to spread the soil and mulch in the new garden. Brad Lennon has tentatively set the date of April 20th for that work party, so please let him know if you can help with that work. He can be reached at blennon@sympatico.ca if you would like to volunteer or if you have questions.
- 6. JAZZ VESPERS** is next week (Sunday, March 17) at 4:30pm! All are welcome.
- 7. PASTORAL CALLS:** An integral part of Christian community is to support one another through times of joy and celebration and also times of grief and confusion. If you or someone you know may benefit from a call or visit from one of our clergy, please reach out to our congregational care team by email at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org.
- 8. EASTER FLOWERS:** If you would like to donate towards the purchasing of flowers for Easter, please indicate "Easter flowers" on your donation and please include any names of those you are giving in memory of, so that they can be included in the Easter bulletins. The last day to donate towards Easter flowers is Sunday, March 24.

9. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN LENT

- a. WEEKLY LENTEN STUDY: Last date is March 12. Held at Christ Church Deer Park (Arthur Smith Room). We gather together at 6:30pm (bring your own supper!) with class from 7:00-8:00pm. To register email Cathy (cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org)

10. TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP: In 2019, the federal government passed Bill C-92, a law returning child welfare services to individual Indigenous communities. This law included clauses allowing Indigenous communities to pass their own laws which could supersede provincial ones. The province of Quebec appealed to have Bill C-92 overturned, arguing that nothing other than federal law could supersede its own. On February 9th, the Supreme Court ruled that Bill C-92 is constitutional and said that it “protects the well-being of Indigenous children, youth and families by promoting the delivery of culturally appropriate child and family services and, in so doing, advances the process of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.”

11. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP: Given the scale of the challenge of emissions reduction, the threat of drought in a drying climate, and that existing non-emitting sources like hydro may become less abundant, society must recognize there will be less energy available in the future. Investments in efficiency and conservation coupled with behavioural change could minimize the shock. [source: *The Tyee*, 4 March 2024, Andrew Nikiforuk, "Hydro power's conundrum, Rising demand in a dryer climate"]

12. MEMORIAL FLOWERS: To beautify our church's services, we invite donations of flowers to honour loved ones. There is a committee standing by to purchase and arrange the flowers on the date of your choice. Please contact Pat Butler, Memorial Flowers Coordinator, to select the date and name the person(s) you are remembering. Reach Pat at pat.butler@bell.net or 416-573-1415. You will receive a tax receipt and a photo of the arrangement. Also, to anyone who may wish to join the Flower Guild, please contact Nina Overbury.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (*ho-den-oh-show-nee*), and Anishinabek (*ah-nish-nah-bek*) Nations, and most recently, the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. This territory is part of the *Dish with One Spoon Treaty*, an agreement between the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Today, Toronto is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (*North America*) and we seek to live in respect, peace, and right relations with them as we meet and worship on this territory. We are grateful for the resources we are using, and honour all the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people who have been living on this land since time immemorial.

! VISITOR INFORMATION



Hearing Assistance Devices are located on the table beside the bell-tower entrance.

Large Print Orders of Service are available.

Happening this week at Christ Church Deer Park

Tuesday, March 12

6:30-8:00pm Lenten Study
In the Arthur Smith Room

Wednesday, March 13

11:00am Holy Eucharist
In person

Saturday, March 16

8-9am Community Breakfast

Sunday, March 17

8:00am Holy Eucharist
In person

9:15am Holy Eucharist
In person

10:30am Holy Eucharist
In person & Livestreamed

4:30pm Jazz Vespers
In person



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