

Christ Church Deer Park

April 6, 2025
The Fifth 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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Climate Action Group – Brad Lennon, Lead

Christmas Sale – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead

Note: As is customary to mark the austere and penitential nature of the Lenten season, there are no flowers on the altar, the music is more sombre, the Gloria and Alleluia are not sung, and there is more silence for reflection. These practices encourage us to deepen our experience of fasting and prayer in preparation for the joyous celebration of Easter.

Prelude *Herzlich tut mich verlangen* (Passion Chorale), Op. 122, No. 10 Johannes Brahms

Welcome & Gathering *(please note all hymn numbers are from Common Praise, the blue hymnal)*

Opening Hymn #180 *(please stand as you are able)*
Giver of the Perfect Gift SONG 13

Giver of the perfect gift,
only hope of human race,
hear the prayer our hearts uplift,
trembling at thy throne of grace.

Though the accusing voice within
speaks of many a wrong to thee,
thou canst cleanse from every sin,
thou canst set the conscience free.

Who can save us, Lord, but thou?
Let thy mercy show thy power.
Lo, we plead thy promise now,
now, in this the accepted hour.

Oh! may these our Lenten days,
blest by thee, with thee be passed,
that with purer, nobler praise
we may keep thy feast at last.

God the holy Trinity,
grant the mercy we implore;
God the One, all praise to thee
through the ages evermore.

Text: Latin, 11th century; tr. John Ellerton

Music: Orlando Gibbons

Gathering

(please remain standing)

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Kyrie Mass in A minor Claudio Casciolini
Choir: *Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison*
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 – The Lesson

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down; they cannot rise; they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise. *Isaiah 43:16-21*

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

Plainsong VII.7

The cantor and congregation alternate.

The underlining indicates when to change notes after the reciting tone.



Cantor: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

**All: Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

Cantor: Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."

**All: The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.**

Cantor: Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.

All: Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Cantor: Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed;

All: will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Gospel Acclamation #717

(please stand as you are able)

Praise to You, O Lord

D. Young

Cantor: Praise to you, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

All: Praise to you, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

Cantor: All I care for is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection.

All: Praise to you, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

The Gospel

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.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

John 12:1-8

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Reference Chart:

	Mark 14:3-9	Matthew 26:6-13	Luke 7:36-50	John 12:1-8
Place	Bethany, the house of Simon the leper	Bethany, the house of Simon the leper	Galilee, the house of Simon the Pharisee	Bethany, the house of Lazarus
Time	two days before Passover	two days before Passover	during Jesus' Galilean ministry	six days before Passover
Woman	unnamed	unnamed	a harlot	Mary
Ointment	an alabaster flask of pure nard, very expensive	an alabaster flask of very expensive ointment	an alabaster flask of ointment	a pound of costly ointment, pure nard
Anointing	poured on his head	poured on his head	wet his feet with her tears, wiped her tears with her hair, anointed his feet	anointed his feet, wiped them with her hair

Homework Questions:

1. *What costly act of devotion is Jesus calling you to today? To what outward act of caring for others is he calling you, as an expression both of your devotion and of his love for the world?*
2. *If you choose to be like Mary, what would that look like?*
3. *What would change in your life if you were to offer to Jesus the best of what you have?*
4. *What does this message from John mean to you on your faith journey?*

Silence for Reflection

The Apostle's 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.

Prayers of the People

(please stand, kneel, or sit as you are able)

Confession and Absolution

(please continue to stand, kneel, or sit as you are able)

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his 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. **Amen.**

The Peace

(please remain standing)

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

All: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.

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: *please see warden on duty*
- 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 Said Judas to Mary



1. Said Ju - das to Mar - y, "Now what will you do With your
 2. "Oh Mar - y, O Mar - y, O think of the poor. This
 3. "To - mor - row, to - mor - row, I'll think of the poor; To -
 4. Said Je - sus to Mar - y, "Your love is so deep To -
 5. "The poor of the world are my bod - y," he said, "To the
 6. "My bod - y will hang on the cross of the world To -



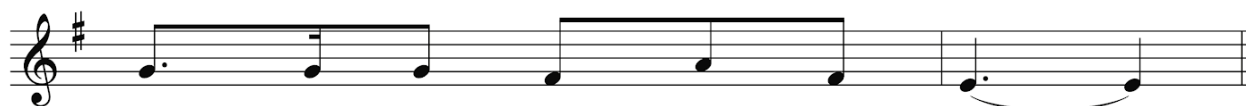
oint - ment so rich and so rare?" "I'll
 oint - ment, it could have been sold: And
 mor - row," she said, "not to - day; For
 day, you may do as you will. To -
 end of the world they shall be. The
 mor - row," he said, "not to - day. And



pour it all o - ver the feet of the Lord, And I'll
 think of the blan - kets and think of the bread You could
 dear - er than all of the poor in the world Is my
 mor - row, you say, I am go - ing a - way, But my
 bread and the blank - ets you give to the poor You'll
 Mar - tha and Mar - y will find me a - gain And



wipe it a - way with my hair," she said, "I'll
 buy with the sil - ver and gold," he said, "You could
 love who is go - ing a - way," she said, "My
 bod - y I leave with you still," he said, "My
 know you have giv - en to me," he said, "You'll
 wash all my sor - row a - way," he said, "And



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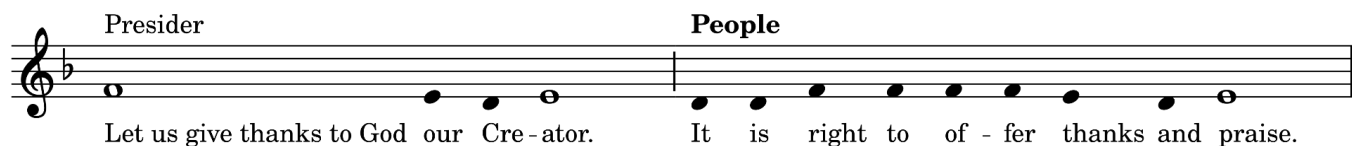
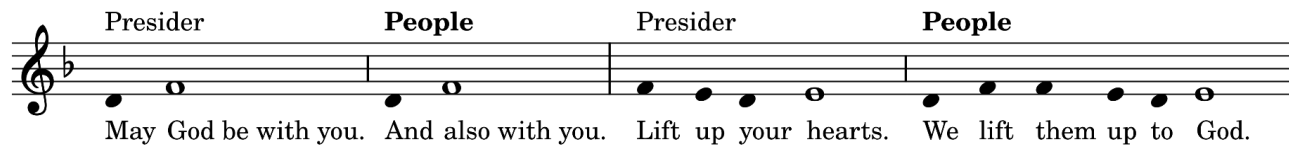
Prayer over the Gifts

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

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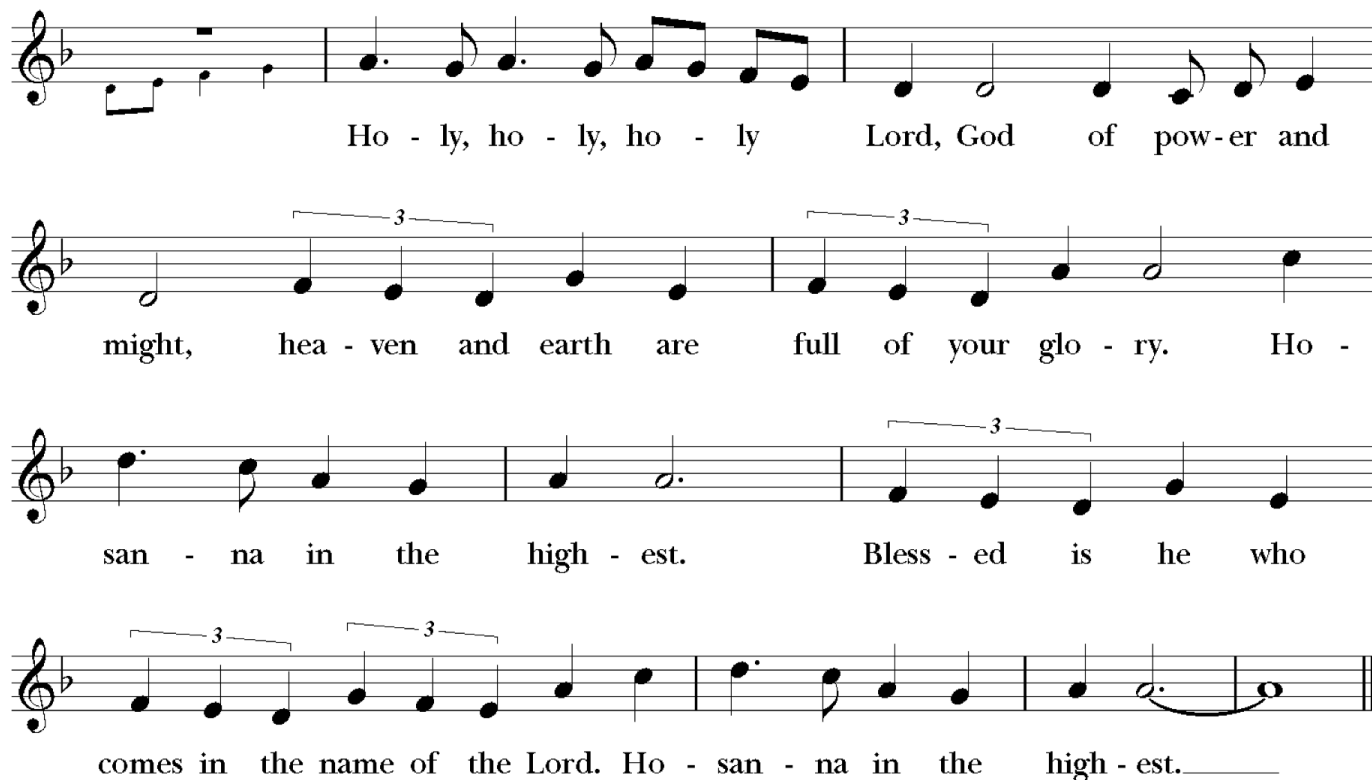


Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more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

Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord

Robert Powell



Presider: 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,

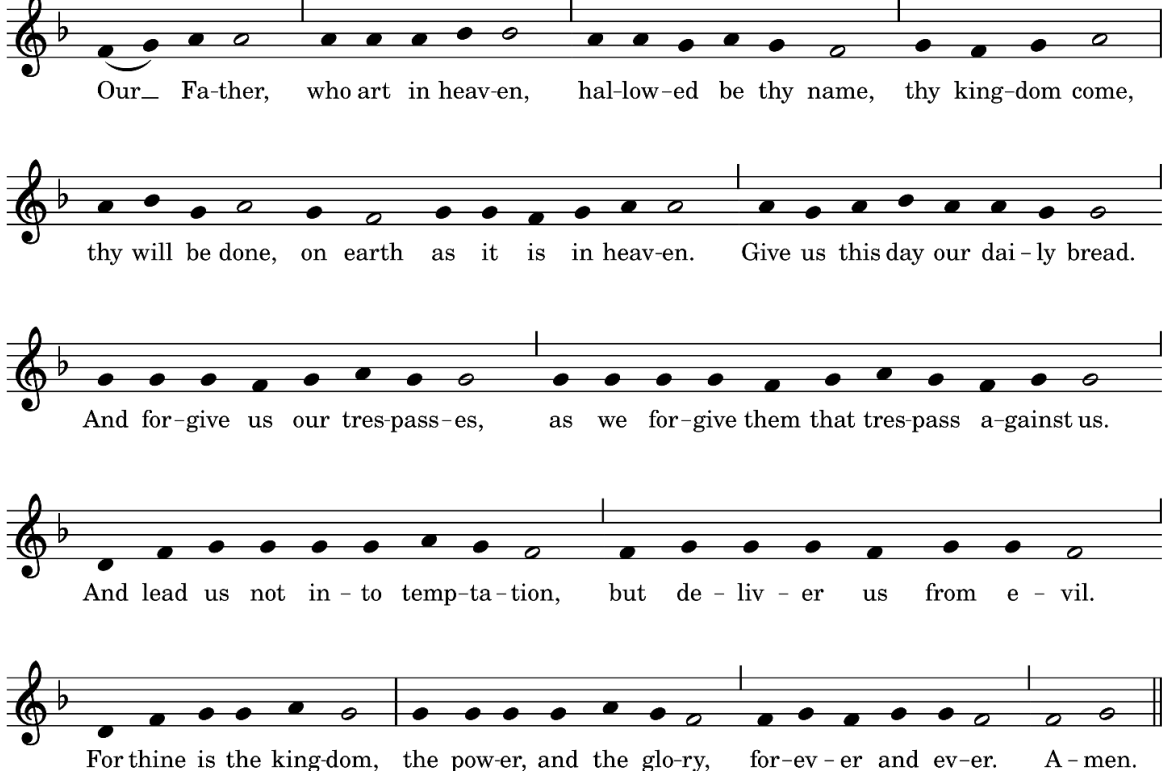
**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

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 forever.

All: Amen.

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All:



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy name, thy king-dom come,
 thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
 And for-give us our tres-pass-es, as we for-give them that tres-pass a-against us.
 And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil.
 For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry, for-ev-er and 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.

(please be seated)

Agnus Dei Mass in A Minor

Claudio Casciolini

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.

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

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

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

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. (Please note the dipping of bread into the wine is no longer permitted in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto.)
 - **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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Communion Motet

Drop, Drop, Slow Tears

Orlando Gibbons

Choir: Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet,
which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.
Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat;
to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.
In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears;
nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.
-Phineas Fletcher

Communion Hymn #66

And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love
And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

UNDE ET MEMORES

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim.
For lo! Between our sins and their reward
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal:
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast;
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
and by this food, so awesome and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill.
In thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us never more to part with thee.

Text: William Bright

Music: William Henry Monk

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.

All: 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.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Presider: Tender Jesus, may we take your word into the world around us as servants. May we share your word of compassion with resurrection hope. We ask this so that we may be witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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.

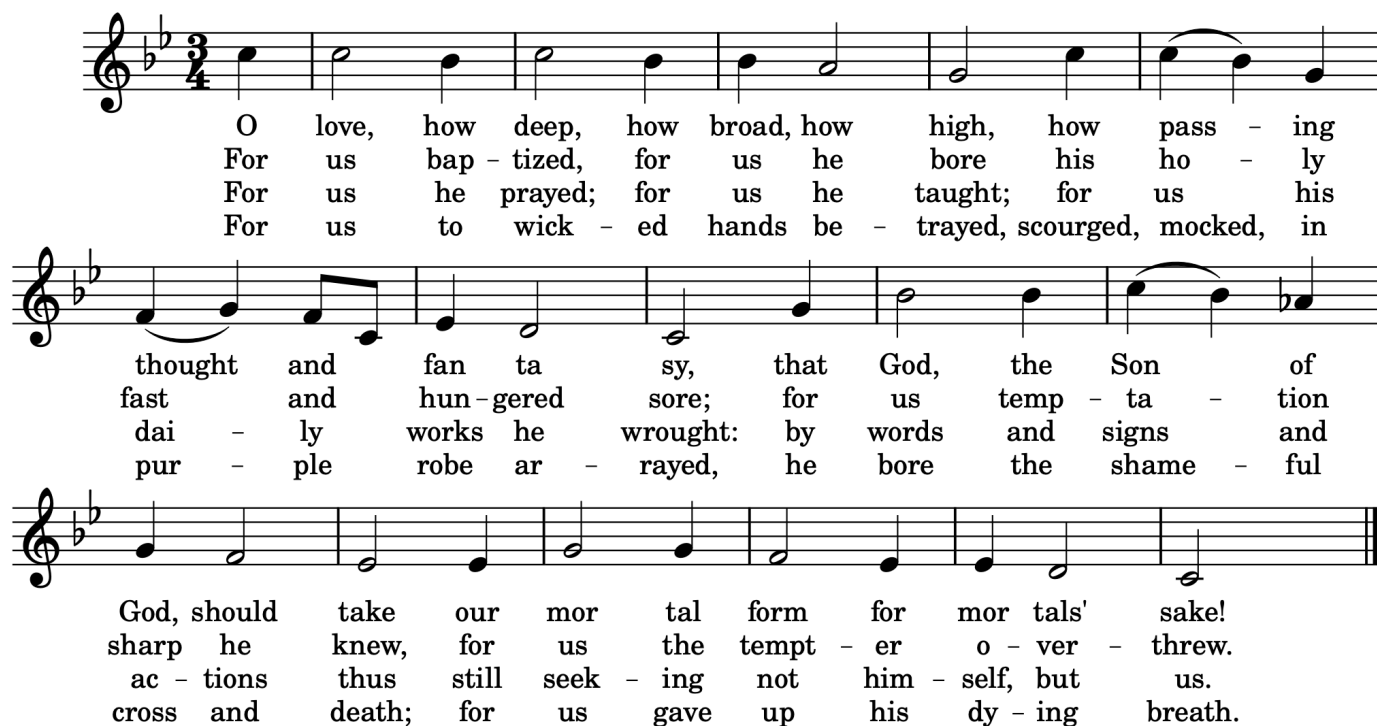
And may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be upon you, help you, and change you as we walk with the Lord during this season of Lent. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn

O Love, How Deep

DEO GRACIAS (AGINCOURT HYMN)



O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tion
dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
sharp he knew, for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
ac - tions thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.

Text: Latin, 15th c.; tr. Benjamin Webb

Music: English 15th century ballad, adapt.

Dismissal

Presider: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Note: With the exception of the Fourth Sunday of Lent “Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday” instruments were traditionally only used to support singing during penitential seasons. In keeping with this tradition of “musical fasting” there is no organ postlude. You are invited to depart in prayerful silence.

Please join us in Elliott Hall for coffee hour.

Assisting with the Liturgy

Presider:
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Lucas Kuipers, Peter Warren

Crucifer:
Sunkanmi

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Liz Quinlan

Prayers:
Andrew Harding

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Nick Strube

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Lito Pena

Livestream Technician:
James Harding MacDonald

Verger:
Rikk Scapillato

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WORSHIP

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

If you would like to donate towards the purchasing of flowers for Easter, there is a suggested contribution of \$100, and any donation over \$20 is eligible for a tax receipt. Please indicate “Easter flowers” on your donation and 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 **today**: Sunday, April 6.

JAZZ VESPERS: Our next services are April 13 & April 27 at 4:30pm.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES:

Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday):

8am – Holy Eucharist (BCP) with Liturgy of the Palms

There is NO 9:15AM SERVICE on Palm Sunday

10:30am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) with Liturgy of the Palms**

Palm Sunday! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Our Palm Sunday Procession begins at Mount Pleasant Cemetery entrance gates @ 10 am where we will bless the palms and march joyfully into the church!

4:30pm – Jazz Vespers

7pm – Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, April 16 (Holy Wednesday):

11:00am – Holy Eucharist

Thursday, April 17 (Maundy Thursday):

6:00pm – Parish Dinner

7:30pm – Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist Service

Friday, April 18 (Good Friday):

10:30am – Solemn Liturgy**

7:00pm – Church on Tap

Sunday, April 20 (Easter Sunday):

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:15am – Contemporary Worship with Communion

10:30am – Holy Eucharist (BAS)**

***service will be livestreamed*



Servers! Readers! Intercessors! Greeters! Altar Guild! Floral Arrangers!

As you have noticed we are rebuilding our various teams that participate in and enrich our worship. If you would be interested in participating in one or more ways, please let the clergy know!



Maundy Thursday Lamb Supper

This year we will enjoy a Lamb Supper on Maundy Thursday, learn about some of the rituals Jesus participated in. Come prepared to learn, have a good meal and enjoy the community! Suggested donation for the meal is \$35. Maundy Thursday, April 17th @ 6 pm followed by Sung Eucharist and the Stripping of the Altar.

Good Friday Testimonies Were you there when they crucified my Lord? On Good Friday we will read the passion narrative (this year the death of Jesus will be read from the Gospel of Luke) in segments. After each segment we are inviting members of the congregation of CCDP to bear witness and give testimony for three or four minutes and reflect on one of the seven segments. Please speak to Stephen if you would like to bear witness. Thank you!



PASTORAL

REV. STEPHEN'S OFFICE HOURS: Office hours this week are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-3pm. If you want to stop in great, but best to call or email ahead!

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

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

LITTLE LENTEN LUNCHES WITH LUKE! Beginning on Wednesday, March 12th after our midweek Eucharistic services, Rev. Stephen will host a 30-minute Bible Study on passages from the Gospel of Luke. Bring a bagged lunch for yourself, your bible, a pen and notebook and your questions. Eucharist begins at 11 am in the chapel and Bible Study at 11:30 in the Arthur Smith Room.

- April 9th, Luke 19: 11 - 27 'The Parable of the Ten Pounds'
- April 16th, Luke 19: 28 - 47 'The Triumphal Entry and Beyond'

SEEING JESUS THROUGH A DIFFERENT LENS: Jesus is the focus of our Lenten Study. Using Amy Jill Levine's work, we will explore the passion of Jesus. And, during Holy Week, we will also look at the ways in which Jesus is portrayed in film.

Entering the Passion of Jesus (Amy Jill Levine)

Dates: April 6

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm (following the 10:30am service)

Location: Arthur Smith Room

RSVP: Send an email to Cathy at cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org

Jesus in Art and Film

For Holy Week, we invite the congregation to join us for a series of reflections at 7 pm for 1 hour. Come for them all or one or two.

April 13: Palm Sunday Evening, Passion Sunday, 7pm
The Way of the Cross, Stations, Prayer and Meditation.
In the Church

April 14: Monday of Holy Week, 7 pm
Jesus on Film: The Triumphal Entry
Elliott Hall

April 15: Tuesday of Holy Week, 7 pm
Jesus on Film: The Last Supper
Elliott Hall

April 16: Wednesday of Holy Week, 7 pm
Jesus on Film: Jesus Before Pilate
Elliott Hall

COMMUNITY BUILDING



Spring is almost here, and Stephen Drakeford and Brad Lennon invite you to join us for our next spiritual walk on Saturday, April 12 at 10 AM. We will depart from the Christ Church Deer Park office entrance door and then take the subway together to High Park Station. Our 7 km jaunt will take us through the north end of High Park and up Keele Street past historic St Martin-in-the-Fields Anglican Church. We will continue up the West Toronto Railway to the Old Stockyards area. Our destination will be the Junction Craft Brewing site in a former City of Toronto 1930's art-deco incinerator known as "The Destructor." The building is a beautifully restored, award-winning heritage building. We can return back to Deer Park via the St. Clair West streetcar. Please join us!

The March 22nd hike at the Lighthouse on Toronto Island with 8 hikers!

FUNDRAISING

RE-IMAGINING

You know, some of the items that our ***Relmagine Rummage*** gals receive in the Atrium for our sales are just not quite up to Sale standards. This does not mean that these items should hit the Landfill. It simply means that they are a little too faded or worn. Perhaps a mark on the cuff of the sleeve, or a nick in the hem of the jeans.

Enter our tremendous **Community Breakfast team**.

At the end of February our ***Relmagine Rummage*** group brought a number of sweaters, jackets and footwear to the Community breakfast clothing racks in their room. By last Saturday, they were pretty much all gone. A young man came to breakfast wearing only a t-shirt for warmth on that cold morning. The breakfast team noticed, and he agreed, he would really feel better with some clothing. By accessing what we had available to them, **The Community Breakfast team** was able to send him off properly dressed for the elements of our cold end of March weather.

And to us, this is what God's work is about.

Synchronicity.

Work separately, together, to ease the burden of those who need us.

Please support the work of ***Relmagine Rummage*** and the **Community Breakfast** program; with a few hours of your time, a bag of clothes to the Atrium on Saturday, and telling your neighbours about the big **Clothing sale on May 10**.

PROPERTY

PROPERTY COMMITTEE SEEKING NEW MEMBERS: We are blessed with a beautiful, one-hundred-year-old building here at CCDP, and much of the management of its care and upkeep is coordinated and decided by our small but crucial property committee. **It would be very beneficial to have a few more people on this team**, and so if you or anyone you know (they don't necessarily have to be a member of the parish) has a background in engineering, a trade, management, or the practical running of a building/house, please connect with Andrew Harding. You can connect with him on a Sunday morning or by email at andrewdharding70@googlemail.com (please note the "d" in the middle of the address). Also, even if you don't have a background in these areas, if you are interested or want to learn more about such things, we would welcome you to the team, too. The commitment is about 2-5 hours per month.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST – LOOKING FOR WINTER CLOTHING: With winter still with us for the foreseeable future, the Breakfast program is asking for your help. We are looking for gently used winter clothing - coats, hats, boots, scarves, gloves and especially warm socks. If you have any of these winter items that you can part ways with, our guests would certainly appreciate it. The items can be dropped off here at the church anytime. We have a box in the Atrium, just outside the administrative office. Thank you very much!

CLIMATE ACTION GROUP: The Canadian government recently committed to cutting emissions by 45 to 50 per cent below 2005 levels within the next decade. The final version of Canada's Clean Electricity Regulations (CER) will postpone the deadline for fully decarbonizing the country's electricity grids from 2035 to 2050 and scale back the power sector's emission reductions by mid-century from 342 to 181 million tonnes.

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP: In the wake of the information about the Diocese Reconciliation Land Tithe, which allocates 10% of monies received through sale of church lands, research in CCDP archive file shows the provenance of CCDP lands. From the deerparkresidents.ca website, we know that CCDP lands were not part of the original general tithing of land parcels to churches in Upper Canada. In 1802, the Crown sold 40 acres to Frederick Baron de Hoen at the northwest

corner of Cart Road (Yonge) and St Clair West, then Concession Red #3. In 1810, the Baron sold it to Mary Emsley, who in 1837 sold this parcel to Agnes Heath, who named it Deer Park. In 1846 Emsley's son Charles Wallace Heath bought the land and subdivided it into 33 lots. By the 1850s the area was a village with a few residents, a general store, a school, a cemetery, a race track and a hotel. On June 6, 1870, a meeting was held at the Davisville School to consider how to establish an Anglican Church in or near the village. You will have seen the photographs of the first Christ Church Deer Park. Much of the CCDP archive documents arrangements for the triangle of land adjacent to CCDP needed by the city to widen Yonge Street. It seems unlikely that any CCDP land will be up for sale in the near future, so CCDP is unlikely to be able to contribute to the Reconciliation Land Tithe.

NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENTS

30TH ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY WALK

Join us for the 30th Churches on the Hill Ecumenical Good Friday Walk on **Friday, April 18, 2025, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm**. This annual walk brings together churches in our neighborhood for a shared journey of reflection, scripture, prayer, and song. Participants will follow either the **Western Route**, beginning at Holy Rosary, or the **Eastern Route**, beginning at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, with both groups converging at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church for closing prayers. You are welcome to walk the full route or join at any stop along the way. Volunteers are also needed to serve as greeters at each church. Come and be part of this meaningful Good Friday tradition! For more information check out our website or grab a pamphlet in the Bell Tower.

UPCOMING CONCERT AT TEMC The Johns' Boys Male Chorus is one of the most decorated British male choirs in history. They are being sponsored by the TEMC Welsh Community (previously Dewi Sant Welsh United Church) at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church for a very special performance in Toronto for one night only on Saturday April 19 at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available in person at the door or in advance online at www.torontowelsh.org.

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

Wednesday, April 9

11am Holy Eucharist

11:30am Bible Study

Arthur Smith Room

Thursday, April 10

10am Daily Prayer

Saturday, April 12

8-9:30am Community Breakfast

11am-2pm Rummage Intake

Sunday, April 13

8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:15am Contemporary Worship

10:30am Holy Eucharist (BAS)

In person & Livestreamed

12-1:30pm Adult Education – Lent Study

Arthur Smith Room

4:30pm Jazz Vespers



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