

Good Friday Worship Service
April 18, 2025
10:30 AM

Parkdale United Church
St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Dominion Chalmers United Church



Order of worship

Prelude:

Welcoming Words

Bev Buckingham

Call to Worship

Bev Buckingham

From the busyness of our lives

We have come here on a day that is different.

In the midst of the world, which holds the promise of spring and new life,

We have come to share a story of betrayal and execution.

Come and hear the tale, come and share the tragedy, come and embrace the darkness.

Come let us go to Gethsemane. Come let us worship.

- 1 **Go to dark Gethsemane,
you that feel the tempter's power;
your Redeemer's conflict see;
watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his grief away:
learn from him to watch and pray.**

- 2 **See him at the judgement hall,
beaten, bound, reviled, arraigned;
see him meekly bearing all;
love to all his soul sustained.
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss:
learn from Christ to bear the cross.**

- 3 **Calvary's mournful mountain view;
there the Lord of glory see,
made a sacrifice for you,
dying on the accursed tree.
'It is finished,' hear his cry:
trust in Christ and learn to die.**

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Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Andrew Love

**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 let us not fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Children Time: Whom Do You Choose?

Huda Kandalaft

Liturgical Dance: *"Were You There When They Crucified My Lord"*

Moving In Spirit

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What Do These Men Testify Against You?

(A youth from St. Stephen's)

Reflection:

Rev. Meg Patterson

Hymn:

Alas And Did My Saviour Bleed

- 1 **Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die!
Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?**
- 2 **Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the
tree? Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond
degree!**
- 3 **Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut its glories in,
when God, the mighty maker, died for his own creature's
sin.**
- 4 **Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross
appears; dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine
eyes to tears.**
- 5 **But drops of tears can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe.
Here, Lord, I give myself away; 'tis all that I can do.**

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Scripture Reading: **John 18: 33-38, 19: 19-22**

Dave Goldsmith

***What Name Rightly Belongs Above Jesus' Head As He Dies
On The Cross?***

(A youth from Westminster)

Reflection:

Rev. Chris Clark

Hymn:

They Crucified My Lord

VU#141

- 1 They crucified my Lord,
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
they crucified my Lord,

Refrain: and he never said a mumbalin' word.
Not a word, not a word, not a word.

2 They nailed him to a tree,
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
they nailed him to the tree, R

3 They pierced him in the side,
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
they pierced him in the side, R

4 The blood came trick'lin' down,
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
the blood came trickalin' down, R

5 He bowed his head and died,
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
he bowed his head and died, R

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Scripture Reading: **Luke 23: 32-43**

Harold Black

Aren't You the Messiah?

Theo Andrews

Reflection:

Rev. Andrew Love

Anthem: *"Jesus Paid it All"*

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Scripture Reading: **Matthew 27: 45-66**

Faye Beaufort

Whom Do You Say That Jesus Is?

Maxim Beaufort-Bradley

Reflection:

Huda Kandalaft

Presentation of Tithes and Offering:

Bev Buckingham

Good Friday Prayers

Bev Buckingham

Jesus Remember Me (x2)

Hymn:

What Wondrous Love Is This

VU#147

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
- 2 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this,
that caused the Lord of life
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am,
while millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on.

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Commissioning:

Huda Kandalaft

Depart in Silence

Thank you for your offering today that will be used to support
In From The Cold.

The purpose of the In From the Cold (IFTC) ministry is to provide deliciously prepared dinners to 100-120 guests experiencing poverty or other challenges in an environment of safety, loving hospitality, respect and dignity and has been running at Parkdale for 24 years. In addition to the Saturday afternoon dinner, there are opportunities

to create art; read a book or magazine; listen to live music and sing along; and to have joys and concerns prayed over each week.

IFTC runs every Saturday from mid-November to mid-March between 2 and 5 PM, except for the Saturdays between Christmas and New Year's.