

A Service for Good Friday

Friday April 14th, 2017, 10:00 AM

St. Peter's Anglican Church, Campbell River

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**An Ecumenical Service held in cooperation with
Trinity Presbyterian Church,
Campbell River United Church,
& St. Peter's Anglican Church**



Prelude

Words of Welcome – Reverend Phil Zimmerman

Opening Hymn – “There is a Green Hill Far Away

There is a green hill far away,
outside a city wall,
where the dear Lord was crucified
who died to save us all.

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.

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.

There was no other good enough
to pay the price of sin;
he only could unlock the gate
of heaven, and let us in.

O dearly, dearly has he loved,
and we must love him too,
and trust in his redeeming blood,
and try his works to do.

Call to Worship – Led by The Reverend Phil Zimmerman

Leader: All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned every one to his own way,

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

Leader: Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

People: Even death on a cross.

Lamentations

Leader:

How do we Lament the church's indifference to residential schools?

How do we Lament our indifference to the oppression of First Nations people?

“I grafted you into the tree of my chosen Israel”:

“I gave you relatives and family and they looked to you as brothers and sisters and you turned on them with abuse and your calculated neglect caused many deaths. I made them as a people rich in faith and culture and you made treaties with them and they put their trust in your words, but you tried to create them in you own image and destroyed their culture, language and self- image.

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

Look graciously, we pray, on this your family,
For who our Lord Jesus Christ
Was willing to be betrayed
And given into the hands of sinners,
And suffer death upon the cross;
Who now lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen

Hymn: What Wondrous Love Is This

**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 lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
To lay aside his crown for my soul!**

**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!
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!**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 52:13-53:12, *Read by Member of St. Peter's*

Psalm 22 (*led by Member of Trinity Presbyterian*)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my
groaning?

**O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, and am
not silent.**

Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel.

**In you our fathers put their trust;
they trusted and you delivered them.**

They cried to you and were saved;
in you they trusted and were not disappointed.

**But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by men and despised by the people.**

All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

**"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him.
Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."**

Yet you brought me out of the womb;
you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast.

**From birth I was cast upon you;
from my mother's womb you have been my God.**

Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me.

Roaring lions tearing their prey open their mouths wide against me.
**I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint.
My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me.**

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the
roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.

**Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled
me, they have pierced my hands and my feet.**

I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me.

They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be not far off;
O my Strength, come quickly to help me.

Psalm Prayer: Father, your tortured Son felt abandoned, and cried out in anguish from the cross, yet you delivered him. He overcame the bonds of death and rose in triumph from the grave. Do not hide your face from those who cry out to you: feed the hungry, strengthen the weak, and break the chains of the oppressed, that your people may rejoice in your saving deeds. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9, *Read by Member of Campbell River United Church*

Holy Gospel: St. John 19:17-30, *Read by Member of St. Peter's*

Choir Anthem "Even the Heavens are Weeping",
by Joseph M. Martin

The Homily – The Reverend Wayne Hughes

Choir Anthem "Deep, Deep Love",
Words by Herb Frombach, Music by Lee Dengler

The Solemn Intercessions: Led by The Rev. John Green

Let us pray for the Church throughout the world:
for its unity in witness and service,
for all who minister,
for all Christians in this community,
that God will confirm the Church in faith, increase it in love, and
preserve it in peace.

Silence

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. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth,

and for those in authority among them:
for our Prime Minister
and for the government of this country,
for our mayor of Campbell River.
and those who serve with him on the council,
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.

Silence

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. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer:
for the hungry and the homeless,
the deprived and the oppressed,
for the sick, the wounded, and the handicapped,
for those in loneliness and in fear,
for those in confusion, doubt, and despair,
for the 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.

Silence

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,
and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them,
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who do not believe the gospel of Christ:
for those who have never heard the message of salvation,
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.

Silence

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. **Amen.**

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.

Silence

God, our refuge and strength,
accept the fervent prayers of your people,
and bring to fulfillment your plan for all creation,
through Jesus Christ your First born,
who is alive with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (said together)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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.

Choir Anthem “The Power of the Cross”,

Words & Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

The Blessing – Reverend Phil Zimmerman

The Closing Hymn – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**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.**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have taken part in the worship of our service, and for the combined efforts of members of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Campbell River United Church, and St. Peter's Anglican Church. Immediately following our service, everyone is invited to St. Peter's Hall for a time of coffee and fellowship.