

Friday, April 10, 2020 Good Friday Communion



On Good Friday, we will gather for worship on Zoom. As a part of worship that morning we hope to celebrate communion. This will be another unusual thing, so if anyone feels reluctant to participate in communion on Zoom, feel free to abstain. Since we will all be at home, every household will need to prepare its own communion elements. So we are encouraged to pick up what we need with our next grocery list. If anyone has no grape juice or wine or bread that morning, it is quite alright to participate with a portion of whatever food and drink we do have. Each household, please have a portion prepared for everyone who will participate before worship begins. Please bring your own elements to worship - your own bread, your own cup. Whatever you bring will be transformed by grace into what is needful for worship - be it wine, grape juice, water, or another beverage of your choice. You may wish to make a place setting for your elements before worship, so they are ready at hand. All are invited to participate as they are willing and able; a blessing is available to all.

As we receive Communion on Good Friday, we also want to continue to remember the most vulnerable in our community by continuing our grocery gift card donations. These can be donated to SECC online at <u>http://www.secc.on.ca/donate/</u> and in the comments section name grocery gift cards. You can also call their main line at 519-326-8629 to donate.

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NLUMC Vision Statement

Order of Worship

Worship Leader — Brenda Fischer Readers Theatre — Pastor Ken Driedger, Lorna Wiebe, Janet Woelk, Dave Brown Worship Music — Joan Willms

Candle lighting — Paschal (Passover) Candle Opening prayer Welcome Jesus with us Worship music — Ten Thousand Angels Readers theatre — Communion — Extinguishing of candles Worship music — Were you there? Moment of silence Benediction



Easter Sunday, April 12

▶ Sunrise service. Log in to our church Facebook page on Easter morning beginning at 6:50 am to greet the sunrise and proclaim Jesus' victory over death with Ken and Dawne Driedger live at Seacliff Beach. Then join Kendall, Charleen, Tobias, & Mattea Jongejan Harder in their backyard for an early-morning Easter hymn.
▶ Easter worship. We will be celebrating Easter on Zoom starting at 10 am. We are accustomed to Easter being a joy filled gathering with celebratory music. But the first Easter broke into a world filled with darkness and met Jesus followers isolating themselves from the world around them in their fear and grief. This year we look for resurrection hope in the middle of a covid 19 crisis where we also isolate ourselves in anxiety, fear and grief. The resurrected Jesus appears to Mary and calls her by name, meets the disciples behind locked doors, and comes to us where we are as well.

Because of tightening social distancing standards, we have shifted our worship mode to zoom. Zoom is an audio/video tool that is easy to use and will bring us together in new ways. We will all worship together from our own homes on Friday at 10 am. Please check the email this week for the link.

You will click on the relevant link at that time, and zoom will automatically open on your computer or phone. You can also access the gathering by phone by calling the relevant number.

Our hope is that this will enable good interaction during worship as we see each other's faces and hear each other's voices. We can record the service and are working towards having that available at Pickwick on Tuesday night, as well as having the link to the recording sent to you by email.

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