

Preparing for Service During the Week

"Church in Action" speaks

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

[Voices United #960]

Announcements & Notices

* 🎵 **Parting Hymn: "Thine Is the Glory"**

[Voices United #173]

*Commissioning

***Sung Blessing: "May the Love of the Lord"**

[see inside front cover of Voices United]

Organ Postlude

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Next week: Theme: Why Did Jesus Die? (Part Two: A Way Forward for Today)

We invite visitors and regulars alike to stay for coffee and conversation after the service. Thank you for being here.

Readings:

2nd Corinthians 5:11-21, The Christian ministry of reconciliation

Isaiah 53: 3-5 (as communal reading)

Mark 10: 42-45 The servant ministry of Jesus

Welcome!

St. George & St. Andrew United Church

Sunday, April 8, 2018



Open Doors, Open Minds, Open Hearts

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Worship Leader: Rev. Elisabeth Bachem-Jennings
Organist: Deirdre Morrell-Ormerod, B.Mus.Ed., Lic.Mus.M.M.

Second Sunday of Easter
Theme: The BIG Questions

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Gathering the Community

The Organ Prelude will commence at 11:00 AM. Please remain seated and use the time during this period to quietly prepare for our time of worship together.

*Organ Prelude
Welcome & Introduction to the Service
Lighting of the Christ Candle
Silence*

*Call to Worship

We are Sojourners on earth, and we know ourselves as spiritual beings

We are here to connect to a communal memory that is older than our own

To teachings that explore the depth of what it means to be human

to live with spiritual integrity and to delight in the gift of life!

Let us worship together this Easter time with the community of the whole church on our planet earth

let us praise the One whose steadfast love endures forever!

* 🎵 Hymn: “Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks”
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*Prayer of Gathering (*seated*)

Incarnate God, we welcome you into our hearts today. We welcome each other as we gather to praise your wonders. May the season of Easter lift us from our winter times and restore in us your life. Amen.

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Prayer for Renewal & Reconciliation

Invitation to Prayer:

(Bell sounds begin and end a time of silent prayer.)

Words of Assurance

Anthem: “Created in His Image”, by Sally de Ford

Hearing the Word

A reading from Philippians 2:1-11, Have the same attitude the Christ had

Psalm 22, Part 1 *[Voices United #744]*

The Gospel reading: Luke 24:13-35, Two disciples meet the Risen One on the road

* 🎵 Hymn: “As We Walked Home at Close of Day”
[Voices United #184]

Sermon Series — The BIG Questions: “Why Did Jesus Die?”
(Part One: Difficulty and Wisdom of Past Answers)

A Moment for Meditation

Responding to the Word

Offering Our Gifts

***The Doxology: “What Can I Do?”** *[More Voices #191]*

Offertory Prayer

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