

# Bayview United Church

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## Good Friday Service

Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 11:00 a.m.

(\* indicates please stand as you are able)

**Prelude** "Were You There?" arr. Phillip Keveren  
**Welcome and Announcements**

### Christ Candle Lighting

One: Jesus Christ, the Light of the World! **(light candle)**

**All: He brings compassion, justice, courage, hope, strength and love to all people.**

One: May His Light shine brightly in our hearts for all time!

### Call to Worship

One: Come let us gather at the foot of the cross:

**All: Where truth is mocked and justice denied;**

One: Where Holy Love refuses to compromise;

**All: Where goodness and innocence hang humiliated;**

One: Where Jesus is spurned and crucified;

**All: Where God's love is stretched to the limit;**

One: Where human failure and Divine forgiveness intersect.

**All: We gather at the foot of the cross where only Holy Love can make this Friday good.**

\***Processional Hymn (135)** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

### Opening Prayer (unison)

**Compassionate God, we who once knelt in wonder at Jesus' cradle at birth, now stand in the shadow of the cross. We come carrying our own crosses, perhaps invisible to others, yet only too real to us. We bring the burden of our losses to**

**You: the loss of love, the loss of dreams, the loss of health, the loss of courage. Find us and strengthen us, O God, as we continue our journey. Amen.**

**Choir Anthem** "Our Saviour Prayed Alone" David Lantz III  
L. Fusé, recorder

### Prayer for Grace (unison)

**At the foot of the cross we gather not as innocent observers, but as those who share responsibility. Like Peter, we have denied the truth and let others down. Like Judas, we have said and done things we later regret. Like the chief priests, we have put our own interests first. Like the mob, we have blamed and judged another. Like Pilate, we have washed our hands and stepped aside to allow injustice. God of the cross, have mercy upon us. Amen.**

### Assurance of Grace

One: We move to the foot of the cross, tearfully admitting the pain we have caused and turn to Jesus for healing.

**All: Jesus' love for us never wavers. Jesus says, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."**

One: We are forgiven and set free. Thanks be to God!

\***Hymn (149)** "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" vs. 1,3,4  
(tune:372)

**Hebrew Scripture** Isaiah 53:1-12 L. Fujita  
(The suffering servant)

**Choir Anthem** "Pie Jesu"  
from *Requiem* by Andrew Lloyd Webber arr. John Leavitt

## Responding to God

**Offertory** "Courant Limpide" Johann Burgmüller

**(518)** "As Those of Old..." verse 2

**A world in need now summons us to labour, love, and give, to make our life an offering to God, that all may live.**

The church of Christ is calling us  
to make the dream come true:  
a world redeemed, by Christ-like love,  
all life in Christ made new.

\*Prayer

## **The Ten Stations of the Cross**

### **Introduction**

**Station One: Jesus is Condemned to Death** J. Brooker  
**Hymn (144)** "Were You There"

**Were you there when they put my Lord on trial? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when they put my Lord on trial?**

**Station Two: Jesus Accepts His Cross** B. Haddock  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when He took the cross for you? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when He took the cross for you?**

**Station Three: Jesus Falls the First Time** E. Turnbull  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when He took the cross and fell? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when He took the cross and fell?**

**Station Four: Jesus Meets His Mother** P. Widgery  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when Jesus meets His mother? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when Jesus meets His mother?**

**Station Five: Simon of Cyrene Helps Jesus Carry the Cross**  
**Hymn (144)** (A. Hanada-Nagahara)

**Were you there to help Him carry His cross? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there to help Him carry His cross?**

**Station Six: Jesus Speaks to the Weeping Women**  
**Hymn (144)** (D. Domelle)  
**Were you there when the women wept for Him? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when the women wept for Him?**

**Station Seven: Jesus is Nailed to the Cross** K. Shikaze  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when they nailed Him to the cross? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when they nailed Him to the cross?**

**Station Eight: Jesus Dies on the Cross** H. Ichiyen  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Station Nine: Jesus is Taken Down From the Cross**  
**Hymn (144)** (L. Fusé)

**Were you there when they took Him from the cross? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when they took Him from the cross?**

**Station Ten: The Burial of Jesus** D. Amos  
**Hymn (144)**

**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? (x2)**  
**Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.**  
**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?**

### **Moment of Silence**

\*Hymn "The Old Rugged Cross" vs. 1, 2 & 4  
On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suffering and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

**Refrain**

**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
Till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
And exchange it some day for a crown.**

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
To bear it to dark Calvary. **(Refrain)**

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;  
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,  
Where His glory forever I'll share. **(Refrain)**

**Christ Candle Extinguishing**

**(Please leave the sanctuary silently.)**

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- \* Welcome to the Good Friday service. Please join us for refreshments following the service.
- \* Head Usher: D. Domelle  
Ushers today: D. Fam, M. Griffiths,  
H. Ichiyen and E. Turnbull
- \* Many thanks to all those who participated in the service today and those who helped with refreshments.
- \* Please join us for the Easter celebration service on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

