



St. George on Yonge  
Anglican

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Thursday, March 28, 2024

7:30 p.m. – Communion with washing of the feet &  
solemn stripping of the Sanctuary

## *Welcome*

*Hearing Assistive Devices and Large Print service leaflets are available  
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### The Gathering of the Community

*Celebrant* This is the day that Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

This is the day that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the day that Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

This is the day that Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his Holy Sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

#### Greeting

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

#### Collect for Purity

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

*People* **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### Kyrie Eleison [Arranged by Michael Leach]

*Cantor* Kyrie eleison.

*People* **Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

*Cantor* Christe eleison.

*People* **Christe eleison. Christe eleison.**

*Cantor* Kyrie eleison.

*People* **Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

#### Confession and Absolution

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*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*People* **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **O God, your Son Jesus Christ has left to us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood. May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

First Reading:

Exodus 12:1–14

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your

staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. <sup>12</sup> For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. <sup>13</sup> The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup> This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1,10–17



1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

**Refrain**

10 How shall I repay the Lord  
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call upon the name of the Lord.

**Refrain**

12 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his servants.

**Refrain**

14 O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name of the Lord.

**Refrain**

- 16 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

**Refrain**

**Eternal God, faithful in your tender compassion, you give us hope for our life here and hereafter through the victory of your only Son. When we share his cup of salvation, revive in us the joy of this everlasting gift. We ask his in his name. Amen.**

Second Reading:

I Corinthians 11:23–26

*Reader* A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup> In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Acclamation

*Cantor* Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life.

*People* **Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life.**

*Cantor* A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.

*People* **Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life.**

Holy Gospel:

John 13:1–17,31b–35

*Subdeacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Subdeacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup> The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup> Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup> got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup> Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup> Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup> Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup> Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

<sup>12</sup> After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" <sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup> If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them . . ."

<sup>31b</sup> . . . Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*Subdeacon* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon: The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala

*A time for silent reflection is kept.*

*Celebrant* Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

### Hymns during Washing of the Feet

Hymn #500 “Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant”

Text by Richard Gillard

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| <p>1 Sister, let me be your servant,<br/>let me be as Christ to you;<br/>pray that I may have the grace to<br/>let you be my servant too.</p>              | <p>4 I will weep when you are weeping;<br/>when you laugh I'll laugh with you.<br/>I will share your joy and sorrow<br/>till we've seen this journey through.</p> |
| <p>2 We are pilgrims on a journey,<br/>fellow travellers on the road;<br/>we are here to help each other<br/>walk the mile and bear the load.</p>          | <p>5 When we sing to God in heaven,<br/>we shall find such harmony,<br/>born of all we've known together<br/>of Christ's love and agony.</p>                      |
| <p>3 I will hold the Christ-light for you<br/>in the nighttime of your fear;<br/>I will hold my hand out to you,<br/>speak the peace you long to hear.</p> | <p>6 Brother, let me be your servant,<br/>let me be as Christ to you;<br/>pray that I may have the grace to<br/>let you be my servant too.</p>                    |

**Hymn #553 “Ubi Caritas et Amor”** I John 4:16b; English paraphrase from Taizé Community (France)

***Latin text***

Ubi caritas et amor,  
ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

***English text***

Live in charity and steadfast love,  
live in charity; God will dwell with you.

***Repeat as needed.***

**The Prayers of the People**

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

**The Peace**

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*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn #197 “O Dearest Lord, Thy Sacred Head”**

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Text by Henry Ernest Hardy

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| <p>1 O dearest Lord, thy sacred head<br/>with thorns was pierced for me:<br/>O pour thy blessing on my head<br/>that I may think for thee.</p>     | <p>3 O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet<br/>with nails were pierced for me:<br/>O pour thy blessing on my feet<br/>that they may follow thee.</p> |
| <p>2 O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands<br/>with nails were pierced for me:<br/>O shed thy blessing on my hands<br/>that they may work for thee.</p> | <p>4 O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart<br/>with spear was pierced for me:<br/>O pour thy Spirit in my heart<br/>that I may live for thee.</p>   |

**The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son. Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love and in the love he has commanded us to bring one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



## Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Proper Preface Holy Week 1

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* **And also with you.***Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.*People* **We lift them to the Lord.***Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***Celebrant* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself. By his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*People* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**Hymn  
#689**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On this very night, when he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*People* **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

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*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.  
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.  
In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread #7

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*Celebrant* We break this bread,

*People* **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

*Celebrant* Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

*People* **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

## Lamb of God [Hymn #690]

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*People* **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.**

**The Communion**

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*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All are invited to share in Communion. If you would rather not receive the bread and wine, please feel free to come forward for a blessing.*

**Communion Hymn #64 "Author of Life Divine"**

Text by John Wesley

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| <p>1 Author of life divine,<br/>         who hast a table spread,<br/>         furnished with mystic wine<br/>         and everlasting bread,<br/>         preserve the life thyself hast given,<br/>         preserve the life thyself hast given,<br/>         and feed and train us up for heaven.</p> | <p>2 Our needy souls sustain<br/>         with fresh supplies of love,<br/>         till all thy life we gain,<br/>         and all thy fulness prove,<br/>         and, strengthened by thy perfect<br/>         grace,<br/>         and, strengthened by thy perfect<br/>         grace,<br/>         behold without a veil thy face.</p> |
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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.*People* **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Hymn #190 "Go to Dark Gethsemane"**

[Tune: Petra: Hymn #522]  
 Text by James Montgomery

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| <p>1 Go to dark Gethsemane,<br/>         ye that feel the tempter's power.<br/>         Your Redeemer's conflict see;<br/>         watch with him one bitter hour;<br/>         turn not from his griefs away;<br/>         learn of Jesus Christ to pray.</p> | <p>2 Follow to the judgement hall;<br/>         view the Lord of life arraigned.<br/>         O the wormwood and the gall!<br/>         O the grief his soul sustained!<br/>         Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;<br/>         learn of him to bear the cross.</p> |
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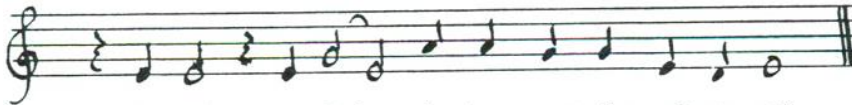
- 3 Calvary's mournful mountain climb;  
 there, adoring at his feet,  
 mark the miracle of time—  
 God's own sacrifice complete.  
 "It is finished," hear him cry;  
 learn of Jesus Christ to die.

## The Solemn Stripping of the Sanctuary

Psalm 22

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**Refrain:**



My God, my God, why have you for-sak-en me?

Holy Gospel:

Matthew 26:30–46

**Reader** Peter's Denial Foretold & Jesus Prays in Gethsemane.

<sup>30</sup> When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd,  
 and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

<sup>32</sup> But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." <sup>33</sup> Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." <sup>34</sup> Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." <sup>35</sup> Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

<sup>36</sup> Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." <sup>37</sup> He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. <sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." <sup>39</sup> And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." <sup>40</sup> Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? <sup>41</sup> Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." <sup>42</sup> Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." <sup>43</sup> Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. <sup>44</sup> So leaving them again, he went away and

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prayed for the third time, saying the same words. <sup>45</sup> Then he came to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. <sup>46</sup> Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

## Hymn “Stay with Me”

Text by Jacques Berthier

Stay with me,  
remain here with me,  
watch and pray,  
watch and pray.

### ***Repeated.***

*Please remain seated in the church for a time of quiet reflection for as long as you wish, leaving the church in silence using the side doors. There will be no recessional or dismissal. As sound travels, please be conscious of the volume of conversation in the Narthex for people in the church. The Chapel is also available for meditation and prayer as a Garden of Gethsemane.*

No offering is being taken as part of our liturgy tonight. However, there is a collection plate in the Narthex if you wish to make an offering.

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala	Organist	Michael Leach
Subdeacon	Margie Lyttle	Altar Guild	Roshni Sircar
Intercessor	Geraldine Sperling	Usher	Craig Robertson
Reader	Ravi Andrews		

### **Territorial Acknowledgement**

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

**Holy Week & Easter at St. George on Yonge**

**Thursday, March 28**

7:30 p.m.

**Maundy Thursday (BLACK)**

Holy Eucharist with foot washing and stripping of the altar (In person)



**Friday, March 29**

11:00 a.m.

**Good Friday**

Solemn service of the Passion (In person)



**Saturday, March 30**

7:00 p.m.

**Holy Saturday (WHITE)**

Great Vigil of Easter with renewal of baptismal promises & 1st Eucharist of Easter followed by Easter Vigil Potluck Supper (In person)



**Sunday, March 31**

10:00 a.m.

**Easter Sunday (WHITE)**

Sung Communion celebrating the resurrection with children's ministry (In person and on Facebook)



**Tuesday, April 9**

10:30 a.m.

**Easter Communion Service at Delmanor**



**Tuesday, April 2 – Friday April 5**

**Seniors' Communion offered at home**  
Pre-arrange with Margie Lyttle