

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church
Good Friday Service
April 14, 2017



Our Vision

To live as Christ would have us live, in love,
with compassion and seeking justice, by sharing God's grace,
learning from scripture, growing through the Spirit
and being transformed by faith.

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Congregation please stand, as you are able,
and join congregational responses in **bold print**.
(Listening aids and large print bulletins are available in the narthex.)

**The Good Friday Worship Drama was
written by Linnea Good and used with permission**

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

Adagio (Consolation)

O sacred head, sore wounded

F. Liszt

arr. J. Brahms

Palm Prologue

PALM STORYTELLER - Aaron Hutton

PRAYER

*HYMN: **VU126**

Ride On, Ride On, the Time is Right

RIDE ON

Temple

TEMPLE READER - Fred Cross

*HYMN: **VU117** (vs. 1 & 5)

Jesus Christ is Waiting

NOEL NOUVELET

Plotting the Betrayal

BETRAYAL STORYTELLERS - Sarah Cory & Susanne Reimer

Passover – the Last Supper

PASSOVER PARTICIPANTS - Carolyn Lutes, Katy Hedalen,
Iris McKay, Bernard Boland, Margaret Pratt, Khal Shariff

PRAYER

HYMN: VU**182**

Stay with Us through the Night

CASSWELL

Gethsemane

PALM STORYTELLER – Aaron Hutton

PASSOVER

HYMN: VU**134 (vs. 1)**

Shadows Gather, Deep and Cold

KASLO

PASSOVER

HYMN: VU**134 (vs. 2)**

Shadows Gather, Deep and Cold

KASLO

PASSOVER TABLE

HYMN: VU**132**

Bitter Was the Night (vs 4 & 5)

BITTER WAS THE NIGHT

HYMN: VU**132**

Bitter Was the Night (vs 6 & 7)

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Denial

HYMN: VU**132**

Bitter Was the Night (vs 2&3)

BITTER WAS THE NIGHT

Trial

COURT - Joan Wilton, Kelly McKeag, Gordon Shawcross,
Clark Brownlee, Izzy Dyck

PRAYER

Pilate

SOLO: "Were you There When They Crucified My Lord?"

Soloist: Derek Morphy

Crucifixion

PALM STORYTELLER

ANTHEM: "The Carpenter's Son"

Test: Pamela Martin

Music: Craig Courtney

Christ Candle is extinguished

Please leave the worship space in silence.

No offering will be received within this service.

Offering plates will be in the Narthex

to collect your gifts toward the

Mission and Service of the United Church of Canada

The Anthem Today

The text of the anthem which concludes the service this morning is particularly compelling. It makes a link between the fact that Jesus was the son of Joseph the carpenter, and that the cross upon which he died was constructed using the tools of his trade. In the first two verses the crowd mocks Jesus, questioning his right to call himself the Saviour, and inviting him to prove it by descending from the cross. American composer, Craig Courtney, changes the mood and metre to illustrate Jesus's reply in asking God to forgive them. The final verse affirms the significance and ultimate triumph of his death.