



## Kincardine United Church Intergenerational Palm/Passion Sunday March 25th, 2018 10:30 a.m.

Welcome. You bless us with your presence. If you are a first time worshipper, please sign our guest register at the front entrance of the church. Thank you for turning off your cell phones and for refraining from flash photography. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the downstairs hall following the service.

**Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.**

\*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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**PRELUDE** Paperless music

**WELCOME, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

### **GOD GATHERS US**

**MUSICAL INTROIT** St. Peter

*Willan*

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *The drama begins...*

**PRAYER OF APPROACH (in unison)**

Loving God, we come to be changed.  
 We come to see the world through story and song.  
 We come to witness the One who comes in your name.  
 Praise and glory in the highest be to you, O God,  
 for the wonder of a gift so freely given. Amen.

**\*VOICES UNITED 127** “Ride On! Ride on In Majesty”  
*(Please wave your palm branches as part of the parade.)*

*The Drama continues...*

**ANTHEM** *Ride On, Ride On, the Time Is Right*

*John Bell*

**God Speaks to Us in Word**

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 *The Message*

**GLORIA**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,  
 world without end. Amen.

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 One: Yet still they did not recognize Jesus for who he was,  
 for the transformation he was to bring.  
*(The first Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**INVITATION** *The drama invites...*

**\*MORE VOICES 138** “My Love Colours Outside the Lines”

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 Lift your hearts to God.  
**We lift our hearts in praise and in awe.**  
 Let us give God our thanks and praise.  
**Praise and thanks be to you, O God, for you have blessed us  
 beyond measure.**  
 We are blessed by God’s in-breaking love, by the ways  
 in which we have been led

*The drama at table...*

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: When we forget to love,  
 One: We are slowly plunged into darkness.  
*(The second Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION****PRAYER RECOGNISING THE SPIRIT**

Let us pray together:

**God of overwhelming Love,  
 bless this bread and this grape juice,  
 that in these symbols of Jesus' self-giving  
 we find the strength and the courage to give our selves;  
 we find the gift is the giver. Amen.**

**DISTRIBUTION****PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray together:

**May what we have received allow us to truly live:  
 live as people of community,  
 live as people of faith,  
 live as people of sacrifice,  
 live as people of self-giving love. Amen.**

*The drama sleeps...*

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: When we dismiss our commitment to relationship,

One: we abandon who we are created to be.

*(The third Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**We Respond To God's Word**

**SOLO "Go To Dark Gethsemane"**

*sung by Rod Coates*

*The drama mystifies...*

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: When we fall prey to greed and conflict,

One: we become those who would snuff out the Light of the World.

*(The fourth Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY**

Composition on a Plainsong

*John Dunstable*

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN 543 VU We Give Thee but Thine Own**

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;**

**all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God, from thee.**

**May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,**

**and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

**We come before you, O God,**

**not to offer 30 pieces of silver, but to offer ourselves.**

**May you bless what we give, making us part of resurrection life for others. Amen.**

***The drama dies...***

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: When we lack the courage of our faith,

One: we allow more of the darkness of the world to dominate.

*(The fifth Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**COMMUNITY PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***The drama ends...?***

**CANDLE EXTINGUISHING**

One: When we lose hope in God's promises

One: we become those who would shut out the light.

*(The last Lenten Candle is extinguished.)*

**\*VOICES UNITED 652 "Be Still, My Soul"**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*SONG OF COMMITMENT 145 MV** Draw the Circle Wide

**Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,  
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.  
Let our hearts touch far horizons, so encompass great and small;  
let our loving know no borders, faithful to God's call.**

**Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,  
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.**

**POSTLUDE** Agincourt Hymn

*John Dunstable*



**AV MINISTRY TEAM** 📺 Mary Phillips, Sean Crawford-Thompson,  
Dave Leaning

**COMMUNION SERVERS/ DRAMA CAST** ♦

Cate Crawford-Thompson	Anchor Desk, Doris Doorknob
Lydia Ritchie	Roving Reporter, Cory Clueless
Catharine Crawford	Easter Bunny
Morgan Ritchie	The Apostle Peter
Lauren Williams	The Apostle John
Jenna Ostrowski	The Apostle James
Greg Hartwick	The Apostle Thomas
Thomas Ostrowski	The Apostle Andrew
Sean Crawford-Thompson	The Apostle Philip
Shirley Beiman	Director

**COUNTERS** 💰 Barry & Liz Schmidt

**MARCH HOUSE LEADERS** 🏠 Joan and John Gillespie

**MUSIC** 🎵 David Hamilton, KUC Choir, Rod Coates

**NURSERY ATTENDANT** ♦ Doris Clark

**SCRIPTURE READER** 📖 Emily Perry

**SLIDE PRESENTATION** ♦ Sarah MacKenzie

**WORSHIP** ✝️ Gord Dunbar