

## St. James United Church

April 19, 2019/Good Friday

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Organist/Choir Director:	Paul Rodermond
Choir:	Senior
Usher in Charge:	Jean Thompson
Greeters and Ushers:	Marilyn Adams, Katelyn Mayo

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St. James United Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, ability, cultural background or sexual orientation.

### Musical Prelude

### Welcome

**Introit:** *O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile*

### Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: Good Friday is a difficult part of our faith. It is a day of shadows and death.

**All: A day when it seems like the sun will never shine bright enough or warm enough again.**

One: It is a day of pain and sorrow.

**All: A day when hope dies; when the world seems withered and barren.**

One: It is a hard story to tell.

**All: But we will tell it. We will hear it, and feel it, and share it. For it is our story, our hope, and our salvation.**

### Opening Prayer:

*Response*

Jesus Remember me, when You come into Your kingdom.

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### Silence

**Words of Assurance:** Let us hear the good news of Good Friday. No matter how desperate our circumstances, no matter how alone and isolated we feel, God is there, loving us, surrounding us, upholding us, just as God carried Jesus through pain and death to Easter morning. Thanks be to God. Amen.

**Hymn:** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

149

**Scripture:** John 18:1-11

**Hymn:** *Go to Dark Gethsemane* 133

**Scripture:** John 18: 28-38

**Anthem:** *Eloi, Eloi, Lama Sabachthani* G. Kingsley

**Reflection:** The Nails Speak

Introduction

Betrayal

Love Denied

Injustice

Complicity

Ridicule

**Hymn:** *O Sacred Head* 145

**Reflection at the cross**

**Reading:** It was on the Friday

*Please leave the Sanctuary in silence;  
offering be received at the door.*

## **Easter Sunday at St. James, April 21, 2019**

9:00 am: Contemporary Service and Communion

9:45 am: Easter Breakfast

*Join us at St. James for our Easter Egg Breakfast at 9:45 am on Sunday, April 21st and support our church's Youth Ministries with a donation!*

11:00 am: Easter Celebration and Communion

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Looking ahead to Mother's Day

***Learn, Laugh and Leave Relaxed Retreat***, Friday, May 10 evening and all day Saturday, May 11 Cost: \$125.00. Gift certificate for Mother's Day available, as well as all information, from St. James office; deadline May 1.

**Project Grace** is offering Swarovski Crystal Starfish Necklaces at \$35 each, to support the After School Music Program for children. Order online at [www.projectgrace.ca](http://www.projectgrace.ca) or use the paper order form on the bulletin board outside our church office.

***Rise & Shine Pansy Bowl Fundraiser***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity (\$15 per bowl): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline is May 2.

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