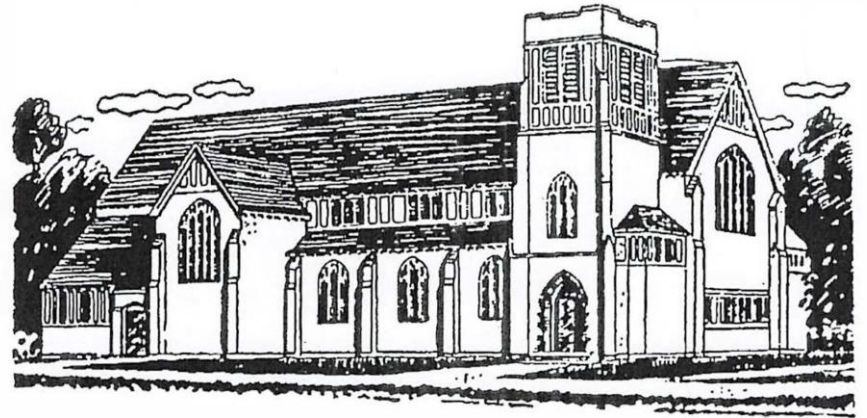


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KNOX SUNDAY WORSHIP

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March 17, 2024 (10:00 am)

♪↑ Rise to sing, as you are able

♪+ Remain seated to sing

Prelude: "Passion Chorale"
"O Sacred Head"

J.G. Walther
Malcolm Archer

Welcome and Candle Lighting

♪+ **Introit:** "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights" (*verse 5*) VU 108

**So let us choose the path of One
who wore, for us, the crown of thorn,
and slept in death that we might wake
to life on Resurrection Morn!**

Call to Worship:

As we come to worship, let us prepare the soil of our hearts.

May we be ready to receive the seed of God's word.

In this season of reflection, let us embrace the mysteries of God's ways.

May we find strength in surrender and hope in the promise of new life.

Come, let us worship God, who brings life out of death.

Together, let us celebrate the growth that comes from God's nurturing hand.

♪↑ **Hymn:** "God of Grace and God of Glory"

VU 686

Prayer

♪+ **Hymn:** "As the Sun with Longer Journey"

VU 111

Scripture Reading: John 12:20-33

Jesus speaks about a grain of wheat.

Anthem: "The Promise of Grace"

Words: Rose Aspinall
Music: Mary McDonald

Sermon: "When Seeds Die: Life's Paradoxical Gardening Tips"

Solo: "When a Grain of Wheat" (*Hitotsubu no*) (*found at MV 125*)

Words: Toyohiko Kagawa
English trans. Frank Y. Ohtomo
Music: Ushio Takahashi

♪↑ **Offering Hymn:** "Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands"

VU 570

**Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all,
healing pain and sickness,
blessing children small,
washing tired feet, and
saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands,
doing good to all.**

**Take my hands, O Jesus,
let them work for you,
make them strong and gentle,
kind in all I do;
let me watch you, Jesus,
till I'm gentle too,
till my hands are kind hands,
quick to work for you.**

Dedication of Offering

Prayers of the People

♪+ Lord's Prayer (said together)

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 those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

♪↑ Hymn: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

VU 135

Commissioning and Benediction

♪↑ Benediction Response: "Jesus Christ Is Waiting"

VU 117

Jesus Christ is calling,
calling in the streets,
"Who will join my journey?
I will guide their feet."
Listen, Lord Jesus,
let my fears be few.
Walk one step before me;
I will follow you.

Postlude: "Were You There?"

David Lasky

Lent V Sunday: March 17, 2024

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Title: "When Seeds Die: Life's Paradoxical Gardening Tips"

Synopsis: Seeds must die to grow. This week, Jesus teaches us some paradoxical gardening tips. We'll dig into this earthy metaphor to uncover the surprising truths about growth, change, and new life.

Worship Leaders:

Minister: Rev. Richard Chung
Scripture Reader: Anne Earthy
Music Director: Colleen Coulter
Organist: Madelene Klassen
Pianist: Patrick Zhu
Choir Leader: Victor Burke
Soloist: Lana Whyte
Ministry of Music: Knox Choir
Usher/Greeters: Dave Cass, Catherine Shen
Live-Streaming: Kevin Wong
Webminder: Debra Danny



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Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours" (Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness.

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