



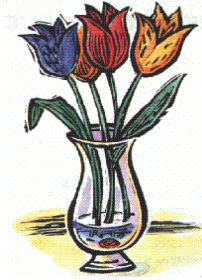
## *St. Andrew's United Church*

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### **MARCH 2018**

**Minister:** Rev. Tim Bowman

**Music Director:** Deborah Handley

**Musician:** Jacob Greenan

**Bookkeeper:** Angela Darychuk

**Church Administrator:** Eileen Arnold

#### **MARCH READERS**

Mar. 4 – Lyle

Mar. 11 – Nancy

Mar. 18 – Myrna

Mar. 25 – Beate

#### **MARCH GREETERS**

Mar. 4 – Dennis & Russell

Mar. 18 – Dennis & Russell

Mar. 11 – Dennis & Russell

Mar. 25 – Dennis & Russell

#### **MEMBERS OF JOINT COMMITTEES WITH GLADWIN HEIGHTS UC**

**Joint Board** – Judith, Myrna, Beate

**Joint M & P** – Cherie, Lyle

**Joint Worship** – Linda, Charlotte, Deborah

#### **MEMBERS OF LIAISON COMMITTEE WITH ALL SAINTS AC**

Linda, Myrna

## MARCH LECTIONARY

### March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent  
Exodus 20:1-17  
Psalm 19 [VU 740]  
1 Corinthians 1:18-25  
John 2:13-22



### March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 51:1-12 [VU 776] *or*  
    Psalm 119:9-16 [VU 838]  
Hebrews 5:5-10  
John 12:20-33

### March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Good Friday  
Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12  
Psalm 22 [VU 744]  
Hebrews 10:16-25 *or*  
    Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
John 18:1 – 19:42

### March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
Numbers 21:4-9  
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 [VU 831]  
Ephesians 2:1-10  
John 3:14-21

### March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Palm Sunday  
*Liturgy of the Palms*  
Mark 11:1-11 *or*  
    John 12:12-16  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 [VU 837]  
*Liturgy of the Passion*  
Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16 [VU 758]  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Mark 14:1 – 15:47 *or*  
    Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

March 25<sup>th</sup> – **Palm Sunday** – 11:30 am Worship Service at St. Andrew's  
March 29<sup>th</sup> – **Maundy Thursday Service** – Time & location TBA  
March 30<sup>th</sup> – **Good Friday Service** – Time & location TBA  
March 31<sup>st</sup> – **Holy Saturday** – 8:00 pm – All Saints Anglican Church Vigil –  
    “The Service of Light” with candles and noisemakers.  
    Reception to follow with Hot Cross Buns and Cider.  
April 1<sup>st</sup> – **Easter Sunday** – 7:00 am – Ecumenical Sunrise Service at  
    Heritage Park, Mission  
April 1<sup>st</sup> – **Easter Sunday** – 11:30 am – Family Worship service with  
    Communion at St. Andrew's

## EVENTS & MEETINGS IN MARCH

- Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>** - 7:30 am – ROMEO Breakfast at JoJo's Bana Restaurant, Abbotsford  
- 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina - Sanctuary  
- 1:00 pm – World Day of Prayer Service hosted by St. Paul's  
Presbyterian Church
- Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time with All Saints  
- 11:30 am – Worship Service with Sunday School
- Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>** - 10:00 am – Special Events Team Meeting – Office
- Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch - Office  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>** - 2:00 am – DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS  
- 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time with All Saints  
- 11:30 am – Worship Service (no Sunday School)
- Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>** - 11:45 am – Meet & Eat Lunch at the Blackberry Kitchen  
- 1:00 pm – MY House Presentation hosted by All Saints ACW –  
Downstairs Hall
- Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch – Office  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>** - 7:30 am – ROMEO Breakfast at JoJo's Bana Restaurant, Abbotsford  
- 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary  
- 5:30 pm – Community Potluck Dinner
- Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time with All Saints  
- 11:30 am – Worship Service with Sunday School
- Mar. 21<sup>st</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Executive Board Meeting – Office  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>** - 9:00 am – Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina – Sanctuary
- Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>** - 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time with All Saints  
- 11:30 am – Palm Sunday Worship Service (no Sunday School)
- Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30 pm – Interfaith Sip & Stitch – Office  
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>** – Maundy Thursday Service – Time & location TBA
- Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>** - 7:30 am – ROMEO Breakfast at JoJo's Bana Restaurant, Abbotsford  
- No Centering Prayer & Lectio Divina (Good Friday)  
- Good Friday Service – Time & location TBA



## **EVENTS & MEETINGS IN MARCH (cont'd)**

**Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>** - 8:00 pm – All Saints Anglican Church Vigil – “The Service of Light” with candles and noisemakers. Reception to follow with Hot Cross Buns and Cider.

**Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>** - 7:00 am – Easter Sunday Ecumenical Sunrise Service at Heritage Park, Mission  
- 10:45 am – Joint Coffee & Fellowship Time with All Saints  
- 11:30 am – Easter Sunday Family Worship Service with Communion



## **ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNER** **Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 5:30 pm**

**Join us for fun and entertainment by the Valley Singers!**

Everyone is welcome so:  
bring a friend, bring some food, and come and have fun together.

(There will be an opportunity to make a freewill offering  
for MY House (Mission Youth House).)

## **MINISTER'S MESSAGE**

*Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

*For it stands in scripture:*

*'See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'*

*- 1 Peter 2:4-6*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Recently a few congregation members and I had a conversation about communion. We were discussing the role of communion coordinator. They spoke of their conviction that their ministry in preparing and serving the bread and juice had meaning beyond the mere physical tasks they were performing. They also said they felt pleased and honoured to be asked to serve, that they were considered good or worthy enough to do such a thing (I hope they'll forgive me if I don't recall their exact words).

On the one hand, it's not about being good enough. On the other hand, it *is* about being good enough.

In communion, we gather to *commune*: we gather to take part in what God is doing in the world. We gather to remember and participate in God's becoming present in our human reality, and this involves being made one with those who gather around the table with us. We become, nurture, and are nurtured as the body of Christ.

This is no small thing; this is no small task. And so, yes, it is a big deal, it is a big responsibility.

Nevertheless, you are up to the task. You are up to the task of conveying the presence of Christ, because in daring to follow the path of Christ's disciples you show what Christ looks like. Some of you are dealing with painful and sudden losses. Some of you are giving deeply of yourself, every day, to people and causes that need you but don't always appreciate you. Some of you shine with joy and conviction. Some of you do all these things at the same time.

And that is what makes you worthy. That despite all that may be tearing at your heart or clamouring for your attention, you still listen, imperfectly, for the Spirit's call inside you.

It is God who makes you worthy. It is your response to God in all its human joy and sorrow that makes you beautiful.

Thank you.

Yours in Christ,

Tim

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