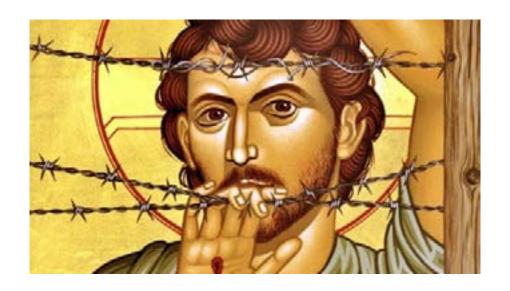
Fourth Sunday of Lent



Sunday, March 30, 2025 – Lent IV 9:15 a.m. (pages 2-5) 11:00 a.m. (pages 6-9)





9:15 ORDER OF SERVICE

Please turn off electronic devices. Nursery care is available.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE MESSAGE

Johns' Boys Concert

Sheryl Clay-Newell

OPENING SONG

"Brother"

When I look into the face of my enemy I see my brother, I see my brother When I look into the face of my enemy I see my brother, I see my brother

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Forgiveness is the garment of our courage The power to make the peace we long to know Open up our eyes To see the wounds that bind all of humankind May our shutter hearts Greet the dawn of life with charity and love

When I look into the face of my enemy I see my brother, I see my brother When I look into the face of my enemy I see my brother, I see

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OPENING PRAYER PLEASE BE SEATED

THE LORD'S PRAYER SAY 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

"Revolutionary"

Josh Wilson Choir School

Maybe you're not like me, maybe we don't agree, maybe that doesn't mean, we gotta be enemies. Maybe we just get brave, take a big leap of faith, call a truce so me and you can find a better way. Let's take some time, open our eyes, look and listen, yeah. And we're gonna find we're more alike than we are different, yeah. Why does kindness seem revolutionary? When did we let hate get so ordinary? Let's turn it around, flip the script; judge slow, love quick. God help us get revolutionary. Woah, oh – Revolutionary woah, oh – Let's get, let's get woah, oh – Revolutionary. Woah, oh. I'm turning the TV down, drowning their voices out 'cause I believe that you and me can find some common ground. See, maybe I'm not like you but I'll walk a mile in your shoes if it means I might see the world the way you do. Let's take some time, open our eyes, look and listen. And we're gonna find we're more alike than we are different. What would Jesus do? He would love first, He would love first, so we should love first.

PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN

We invite all the children to come up for a short prayer before proceeding to Sunday school.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 15:1-15

Andrew Adridge

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SERMON

"Jesus the Convict" Jason Byassee

PASTORAL PRAYER INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM CHOIR ONLY

"Arise My Soul, Arise"

Dan Forrest Chamber Choir

Arise, my soul, arise; shake off thy guilty fears; the bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears: Before the throne my surety stands, before the throne my surety stands, my name is written on His hands. He ever lives above, for me to intercede; his all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead: His blood atoned for all our race, his blood atoned for all our race, and sprinkles now the throne of grace. Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary; they pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me: "Forgive him, oh, forgive," they cry, "forgive him, oh, forgive," they cry, "forgive him, oh, forgive," they cry, "nor let that ransomed sinner die!" The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One; He cannot turn away the presence of His Son; his Spirit answers to the blood, his Spirit answers to the blood, and tells me I am born of God. My God is reconciled; His pard'ning voice I hear; he owns me for His child; I can no longer fear: with confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh, and "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

CLOSING HYMN PLEASE STAND

"Christ Is Lower Still"

Porter's Gate

Breathe in reach out Touch the hem of Your garment now Help me heal me My mind my body and soul

Chorus:

Let the King descend Living word made flesh Lift this heavy heart To Your throne o God In Your wounds I find Room for all of mine When from grace I fell Christ was lower still

Humbly lowly
Jesus waits in the valley
My Savior suffers with me
With Him I'll rise again

Chorus

We lift it all up to You Lord We lift it all up to You Lord We lift our heads We lift our hands We lift it all up to You Lord We lift our dreams We lift our plans We lift it all up to You Lord We lift our sorrow And our pain We lift it all up to You Lord We cast our cares On You again We lift it all up to You Lord

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

If you would like to be mentioned in our pastoral prayer please contact Joanne Leatch.

CONTEMPORARY BAND

John Arndt (Band Leader, Arranger)
Noel Di Tosto, Stephen San Juan, Etienne Levesque(Band)
Elaine Choi, Rosie Scopacasa, William Byassee, Ella Xu, Madeline Wood (Strings)
Olivia LaPointe, David Michael Moote (Vocals)
CCLI: 2792602

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TEMC.CA/AWAKEN

11:00 AM - ORDER OF SERVICE

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These services are live streamed (a live video presentation)

THE APPROACH

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"

J.S. Bach Stephen Boda

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE MESSAGE

Johns' Boys Concert

Sheryl Clay-Newell

PROCESSIONAL HYMN PLEASE STAND

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

CALL TO WORSHIP PLEASE REMAIN STANDING (BASED ON PSALM 146)

Minister: We worship you, O Lord, for you set the captive free!

All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Minister: You keep truth forever. You execute justice for the oppressed.

All: You give food to the hungry and freedom to the

prisoners.

Minister: You reign forever – You, O God, for all generations!

All: Praise the Lord!

All Sing: God of freedom, God of justice,

You whose love is strong as death You who saw the dark of prison, You who knew the price of faith: touch our world of sad oppression

with your Spirit's healing breath. (No. 700, v.1)

PRAYER OF APPROACH PLEASE BE SEATED

PRAYER OF CONFESSION SAY TOGETHER

Holy God, we confess that we often fail to walk in the freedom you have given us or to fight for the freedom of others. Like all your people, we allow ourselves to be stirred up against the innocent, and we choose the evil over the good. Forgive us of our sins, Lord, and help us to walk in the Spirit of the Lord, where there is liberty. Amen.

KYRIE SING TOGETHER

Lord have mercy upon us; Christ have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

DOXOLOGY PLEASE STAND

No. 108 v.1

Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way, where, meeting Christ, our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.

THE WORD OF GOD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

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Dan Forrest Sanctuary Choir

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HYMN OF PREPARATION PLEASE STAND

No. 120 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Day of Rest

"Jesus the Convict" Jason Byassee

THE RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER SAY 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, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Greater Love Hath No Man"

*Ireland*Sanctuary Choir

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath call'd you out of darkness into his marvellous light. I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.

RECESSIONAL HYMN PLEASE REMAIN STANDING

No. 569 "You Call Us Out"

Thornbury

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

No. 967 Danish

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Festive Trumpet Tune"

David German Stephen Boda

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025 – LENT V HOLY COMMUNION 9:15 AM: CONTEMPORARY | 11:00 AM: TRADITIONAL

Dayle K. Barrett preaching: "Jesus is Sacrifice" from John 6:41-59

Addoldy Cymraeg Toronto

Bilingual Welsh/English Service at 2:00 PM in the East Chapel followed by tea in the Reception Room



TODAY! LUNCH & LEARN RETIREMENT PLANNING

Whether you are thinking of retiring or are already there, you may have questions. There can be surprises or just topics on which you would like more information. Join us for lunch and a presentation on retirement by experienced retirement planner, Brenda Parris. Free will donations appreciated but not required.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Marion (Marney) Percival

DEDICATIONS

In memory of my dear husband, John Edward, a donation has been made to the General Fund by Margaret Deeks.

Timothy Eaton Memorial Church is located on the traditional territory of many nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples. We pray that the Holy Spirit will gather all people into one body of Christ.



Testival of Flowers

We invite you to make a donation for flowers in memory or honour of a loved one. The flowers will grace the chancel during worship celebrations on Easter Sunday. Afterward, they will be delivered to our members in care settings. The recipients are extremely grateful for the thoughtfulness.

You can make your donation **online at** <u>temc.ca/</u> <u>festival-flowers</u> or pick up a form in the narthex, complete and return it to the Finance Office **no**

later than Palm Sunday (April 13).

Your donation will be acknowledged in the Easter Memorial booklet printed for the Easter Sunday service and posted on our website.

We suggest a donation of \$30.00/plant.

Please make cheques payable to: Timothy Eaton Memorial Church (and in the memo line: Festival of Flowers)

Holy Week at TEMC

April 13: Palm Sunday

 9:15 AM Contemporary | 11:00 AM Traditional Services with Communion and we're bring back our favourite donkey!

April 17: Maundy Thursday

- 2:00 PM Homecoming Service with Communion, followed by afternoon tea.
- 7:00 PM Musical Reflection

April 18: Good Friday

- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 12:00 PM Neighbourhood Cross Walk, begins at Holy Rosary and Our Lady of Perpetual Help and ends with a service at TEMC at 1:40 PM

April 19: Holy Saturday

- 7:00 PM Johns' Boys Concert
- 10:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil

April 20: Easter - Festival of Flowers

• 9:15 AM Contemporary | 11:00 AM Traditional Services

Visit us online at temc.ca/holyweek



BUSHCRAFT AND WILDERNESS SURVIVAL SKILLS WEDNESDAYS, APRIL 2, 9, 16, 23 FROM 6:00-8:00 PM

This multi module course will cover the immediate skills to be comfortable camping, applied in a survival situation, or to enjoy learning skills that have been long lost in modern society. Modules covered

will lost be person and ignition sources, purification techniques navigation, land survival kit, tool safety techniques, land wilderness first aid.



behavior, fire making building shelters, water and equipment, components of a and sharpening navigation and Cost: \$95

The Instructor Dean Copecoge is a survival, tracking and SERE Instructor. He is also Anishnawbe from the Williams Treaty Area and a Anishinaabe Traditional Knowledge Keeper and Pipe Carrier.

Register at temc.ca/survival

PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID COURSE THURSDAYS, APRIL 3, 10, 24 FROM 6:00-8:00 PM

Psychological first sid is a crisis intervention tool. Our approach provides

individuals the psychological themselves and tools to effectively we focus on tools one's wellness and grief, anxiety and is interactive, with



means to identify distress in others, and valuable address it. Further, to be applied to self care addressing crisis. Our approach examples, video

tutorials, and real world experiences. Cost: \$95

The facilitator Dean Copecoge a certified Psychological First Aid instructor, an Anishnawbe Traditional Knowledge Keeper and Pipe Carrier.

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CHURCHES ON-THE-HILL FOOD BANK

The APRIL Food of the Month donation is BOXES OF CHEERIOS. With rising food costs the food bank is serving record numbers of clients (approximately 1200 people per week). In order to ensure that the food bank can continue in future years we need the financial support of the community. Visit us at cothfoodbank.ca for more information or to donate. Thank you for your support.



SPRING 2025 BEGINNER LINE DANCE CLASSES

Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 PM, starting April 1st Thursdays 1:00-2:30 PM, starting April 3rd Both sessions run for 9 weeks.

Drop-in to any class for \$10 or register for all 9 classes for \$80! Want to know more? Contact <u>jaclyndidiano@temc.ca</u>



On Monday, April 21, we'll be feeding the masses yet again with our community Easter Dinner in the Flora McCrea Auditorium.

Come and join us for a delicious roast beef dinner, complete with mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, salads, drinks, and dessert. Vegan and gluten free options are available upon request, so nobody needs to go hungry. Celebrate Easter with a fantastic festive feast as we break bread with our wider community.

There is no admission fee, but you can donate by cash, card, or cheque, to help us keep these events going.

Meals will be served at 12:00, 2:30, and 5:00. Register NOW at <u>temc.ca</u> or scan the QR code below and choose your mealtime, so we can make sure that every mouth gets fed.

These events can't happen without your help. We need volunteers to serve food, greet people, clear tables, and accept donations. Please email daylebarrett@temc.ca if you can lend a hand.

Tickets: \$45 available at the door or online at torontowelsh.org



Johns' Boys Male Chorus is one of the most decorated British male choirs in history. Please join us for a very special performance in Toronto for one night only:

Saturday April 19 – 7:00 PM at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church

ART & TREASURES SALE SATURDAY, MAY 3

We need to restock our cupboards for the Art & Treasures Sale, Saturday May 3. We are accepting all your fine treasures of crystal, silver, jewellery, linens, artwork, paintings and collectibles (think Antiques Roadshow).

Please leave your donations boxed and labelled in the glass enclosure off the parking lot. (Reminder: no books or clothing – thank you.)

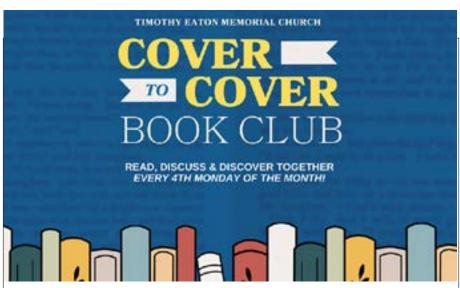


TEMC GOLF CLASSIC MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025

You don't want to miss the Annual TEMC Golf Classic at The Ladies' Golf Club of Toronto.

1:30 PM Shotgun Start — golf, dinner, and silent auction

All in support of TEMC.



BOOK CLUB MONDAY, APRIL 28 AT 7:00 PM

The witty, winsome and wonderful *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. This book is a world in itself with themes of redemption and grace that mirror Victor Hugo's classic Christianity-driven story *Les Misérables*.

Click here to see visit our blog.



WHEN: Weekdays

WHERE: TEMC

TAUGHT BY: Certified and experienced teachers, including instructor Payman Doddress

WHAT WE OFFER: General English: Enhance your communication skills and test prep: Get ready for standard English exams

WHO IT'S FOR: Open to

everyone!

STEWARDSHIP

The committed financial support of our donors is vital to TEMC's ongoing ministry. Please consider making your contributions on a pre-authorized monthly basis by bank transfer or credit card. For more information contact Jaclyn Didiano, 416-925-5977 ext. 223.

Worship Information:

- Sunday School is held for children of all ages during the 9:15 service. Nursery
 is held for children up to three years of age during the 11:00 am service. The
 nursery and Sunday School rooms are located on the third floor, off the
 northeast balcony.
- Wheelchair access is through the northwest entrance.
- The 11:00 a.m. service is live-streamed at <u>temc.ca/livestream</u> or <u>facebook.com/</u> temctoronto.
- Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex or at temc.ca/sermons.

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