Woodlawn united Church Easter Letter & Holy Week Schedule 2022

Easter Greetings,

Loving and serving others in love is an amazing way to live life. And doing this through a



wonderful faith community like Woodlawn is an even better way to live life. We are there for each other to encourage one another in our faith, to walk together through the difficult times as well as the good times. We are mentors for each other. Choosing faith instead of doubt, especially during these Covid days, is not an easy thing, but together, we learn to trust God, always believing that we are unconditionally loved, forgiven, and cared for through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We are living proof that faith is a communal effort and we are the better for it.

Our Holy Bible is there for us to help us trust in God's loving ways. Of the 150 Psalms in the Bible, I find the shortest one to be one of the most uplifting. It's Psalm 117 and it's a universal call to worship:

¹ Praise the Lord, all you nations! Extol him, all you peoples!

² For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

Since the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth, we have more reason than ever to celebrate. No matter what happens on this good earth, we always have the promise of new life in Jesus Christ. That will never go away. So we can praise God with the words of Psalm 117 every single morning. And especially on the morning we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. God's grace has given all people a second chance to live anew, and by doing so, we love anew, reaching out to others as we do. Thanks be to God for this gift of grace.



The good news of Jesus Christ is always something to celebrate, but especially on Easter morning! Your ministry team looks forward to celebrating new life in Christ with you at our Easter service where we'll shout with joyful confidence, "Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Praise the Lord!"

Easter Blessings, Rev. Mary Lynne Whyte and Rev. Dr. Dale Skinner

LEADING UP TO AND INCLUDING HOLY WEEK

Wednesday March 31:

Reflecting on the Cross Interactive Meditation Worship.

This will be a Zoom based interactive worship held at 1:00 PM, and again at 7:00 PM.

You must register in advance, and you will be sent a personal zoom invitation by Rev. Dale once registrations are received.

Registration must be received no later than Sunday March 28th. We are able to accommodate 25 people per worship, so register early by calling or emailing the church office.

Sunday April 10 (Palm Sunday):

In Person worship, with recorded Children's processional with hand made palm frawns.

Thursday April 14: Maundy Thursday Worship, with Communion. This will be an online pre-recorded Worship at 7:00 PM

Friday April 15: (Good Friday):

Ecumenical Worship (with both Rev. Dale and Rev. Mary Lynne). This worship will be pre-recorded and will be available on our You Tube or Facebook page at 10:00 am on Friday morning.

Saturday April 16th:

From 6pm-7:30pm there will be a family event exploring the resurrection of Jesus through arts and crafts! Come join us for a night where we celebrate that He Is Risen!

Please RSVP:

youth.coordinator@woodlawnunited.ca

Sunday April 17 (Easter Sunday):

In Person Worship at 10:00 AM with our usual pre-registration.

