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**THORNHILL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*To Discover, Celebrate and Share God's Love*

Sunday March 12, 2023  
Third Sunday in Lent

**We Prepare for Worship**

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

*As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.  
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. Psalm 42:1-2*

Piano Prelude: *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

Jack Schrader  
(b. 1942)

\*Processional Hymn: *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

*Jesus walked this lonesome valley;  
He had to walk it by himself.  
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him;  
He had to walk it by himself.*

*Jesus prayed for his disciples;  
He prayed alone for you and me.  
Oh, nobody else could bear such sorrow;  
He prayed alone for you and me.*

*Jesus died on Calvary's mountain;  
He died alone for you and me.  
Oh, nobody else could die for sinners;  
He had to die for you and me.*

*Jesus rose from death's dark prison;  
He lives again for you and me.  
Oh, nobody else could bring us vict'ry;  
He is alive to set us free. CCLI License # 993446*

Welcome and Community Life News

**We Worship God**

The Call to Worship

Arshida Taghizadeh

L.: I called to the Lord, and He answered me.

**P: He delivered me from all my fears.**

L.: Look to Him and never be ashamed.

**P: The Lord hears our cry and saves in our troubles.**

L.: Our troubles are many.

**P: But the Lord delivers us through them all.**

L: Let us worship God!

**PWS&D** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

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Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

The Exchange of Peace

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

\*Praise Time: As The Deer

As the deer panteth for the water

So my soul longeth after Thee

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship Thee

**Refrain:** *You alone are my strength my shield*

*To You alone may my spirit yield*

*You alone are my heart's desire*

*And I long to worship Thee*

You're my friend and You are my brother

Even though You are a King

I love You more than any other

So much more than anything **Refrain:**

I want You more than gold or silver

Only You can satisfy

You alone are the real joy giver

And the apple of my eye **Refrain:**

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### **We Listen for God's Word**

Children's Time

TPC Family Choir: *In Heavenly Love Abiding*

John Ness Beck

(1930-87)

Prayer for Illumination

Judy Chen

Scripture Reading

Gospel Reading: John 4:1-42

*NT p. 94*

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: The Woman at the Well Rev. Dr. Heather Vais

\*Hymn: You thirsty ones **#190**

### **We Respond to God's Word**

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

\*Doxology

#830

Dedication of Offering

\*Closing Hymn: *I heard the voice of Jesus say*

#671

**We are Sent Out as God's People**

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Organ Postlude: *Nothing Can Rescue Me from the Chains of Hell but,  
Jesus, Your Blood* Johann S. Bach (1685-1750)

*\* if you are able, please stand*



*Welcome*

We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

**\*\*We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Our ushers are available to assist you.**



**Sunday School today.**  
*There will be no classes today, however children are welcome to go with Amy after the TPC Family Choir to enjoy some games and crafts.*

***Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.  
If you wish to help reading scriptures contact the church office  
or speak with Garth Low or Rev. Heather***

Due to COVID, we encourage that masks be worn at all times.

## THORNHILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Custodian: Delacey Graham

**Duty Elders: Russell Morden and Julie Meek**

## UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

### ***Sunday March 12, 2023***

9:45 – 10:30 am	Sunday Morning Discovery in the Conference room
11:00 am	Worship Service
11:15 am	Confirmation Class #3 in the Conference Room
4:00 pm	Thornhill Ministerial Lenten Service at Thornhill United Church or by Zoom

### ***Tuesday March 14, 2023***

10:00 – 12:00 pm	ESL Classes in the Fellowship Hall
7:30 pm	Session Meeting by Zoom

### ***Thursday March 16, 2023***

1:00 – 3:00 pm	Fitness Thursdays in Fellowship Hall
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### ***Sunday March 19, 2023***

9:45 – 10:30 am	Sunday Morning Discovery in the Conference room
11:00 am	Worship Service

## Weekly Offerings and Gifts

To continue to support the church through your regular offerings there are several options available to do so.

**Offerings may be placed in the offering plate** during the service.

**Offerings can be mailed** (address below) or dropped off at the church mail slot in the old wooden doors to the right of the entryway any time.

**You may also donate** on-line at Canada Helps through our web site at [www.tpchurch.net](http://www.tpchurch.net) or directly to Canada Helps.Org at

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/thornhill-presbyterian-church/>

**Pre-Authorized Debit (PAR)** If you are interested in joining the PAR program contact Nadine at the church.

**Thank you for your support!**

## Confirmation Class Today

All class members are invited to go to the conference room after Praise Time.

Abel will lead the class and Rev. Heather will join the class after worship.

Thank you to the Garganos for providing lunch!

Thornhill Ministerial  
Lenten Series 2023  
Sundays at 4:00 p.m  
*Gathering as God's People*

**March 12**

*Gathering to Grow*  
Thornhill United Church  
25 Elgin Street  
Speaker: Rev. Paul Gibbon

**March 26**

*Gathering for Service*  
St. Luke's Roman Catholic Church  
39 Green Lane  
Speaker: Mini Choi

*If you cannot make it in person,  
this service will also be by Zoom.  
The Zoom Link will be in this week's email Announcements.*



**Calling All Men!**

***Our Good Friday breakfast is back. Hurrah!!***

*As usual, the men of our congregation prepare and serve a many-course delectable meal on **April 7<sup>th</sup>**.*

*This year it is being organized by Abel Pandy and Bob Gargano.*

***Men, this is your chance to step up to the plate and demonstrate your culinary skills.***

*Please see Abel or Bob to discuss more details.*

*The Open Door*

The Lent edition of The Open Door is available for pick up in the foyer.

The deadline for the **Easter issue** of "The Open Door" is Monday April 3rd.

Please forward your articles to Garth Low at [garth.low@garthlow.com](mailto:garth.low@garthlow.com).

Written submissions can be put in the Open Door newsletter mail box located by the Chapel.

## FITNESS THURSDAYS ARE BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Church members Dr. Martin Chen (licensed M.D.) and Carolyn Adamson will be co-hosting an all-ages Fitness Drop-In for TPC members and adherents.

Judy Chen will also be playing piano when available.

**When: Thursdays March 16, March 23, and April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Time:** From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** Thornhill Presbyterian Church

Wear comfortable clothing and exercise shoes.

This will be a lot of fun, supervised, and safe time for the congregation.

All are welcome!

Martin, Carolyn, and Judy Chen



## KAIROS BLANKET EXERCISE

**Save the Date: Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 7PM**

The Indigenous rights history we've never been taught. Experience reconciliation through education and understanding.

**Cornerstone Community Church** (180 Nashville Road at Hwy #27, Kleinburg) is pleased to host a unique participatory history lesson for adults that fosters truth, understanding and respect.

***All adults 18yrs+ are welcome. Space is limited. Admission \$10  
Reserve your spot today by emailing Barb at***

***[barbarajuneboyd@gmail.com](mailto:barbarajuneboyd@gmail.com)***

***To pay, please visit, [thecornerstonechurch.ca/contribute](http://thecornerstonechurch.ca/contribute) and type  
"Your name and Blanket" in the message box.***



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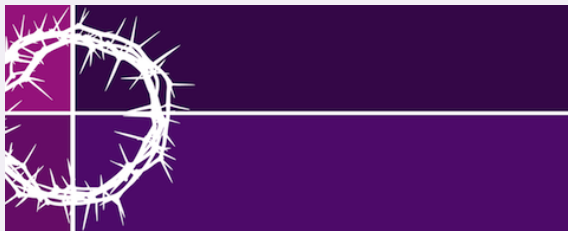
Copies of the Presbyterian Connection Newspaper are in the lobby for you to pick up.

There are many interesting articles and news bits from Presbyterian congregations and ministries across Canada.

A picture of our TPC youth preparing Christmas dinner at Evangel Hall is featured in this edition as well!

# *Upcoming Worship Services For Lent and Easter*

March 19	11:00 a.m.	<b>Lent IV</b>
March 26	11:00 a.m.	<b>Lent V</b>
April 2	11:00 a.m.	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
April 6	7:30 p.m.	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
April 7		<b>Good Friday</b>
	8:00 a.m.	<i>Good Friday Breakfast</i>
	10:00 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
*April 9	11:00 a.m.	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
		<i>*The Sacrament of Holy Communion</i>



## **Good Friday**

Friday, April 7, 2023

**Church Family Breakfast**

8 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

**Worship – 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for a solemn hour of worship  
as we recall the last hours  
of Christ's life.

# Hymn

## *You thirsty ones*

You thirsty ones! come to the spring!  
Have you no money? Come,  
buy wine and milk! Come, buy and eat,  
without a price or sum.

Why do you work and earn and spend  
on that which is not bread?  
Oh listen now and come to me;  
eat what is good instead.

This food delights and satisfies,  
the food your God can give;  
incline your ear and come to me;  
oh hear that you may live.

Return while God may still be found  
and call while God will hear;  
now let the wicked quit their ways,  
while yet the Lord is near.

My word like heaven's snow descends;  
it falls like heaven's rain;  
it waters all the thirsty earth  
and shall not go in vain.



## Hymn

### *I heard the voice of Jesus say*

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon my breast!'  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary and worn and sad;  
I found in him a resting place,  
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down, and drink and live!'  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived  
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright?'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my star, my sun,  
and in that light of life I'll walk  
till traveling days are done.