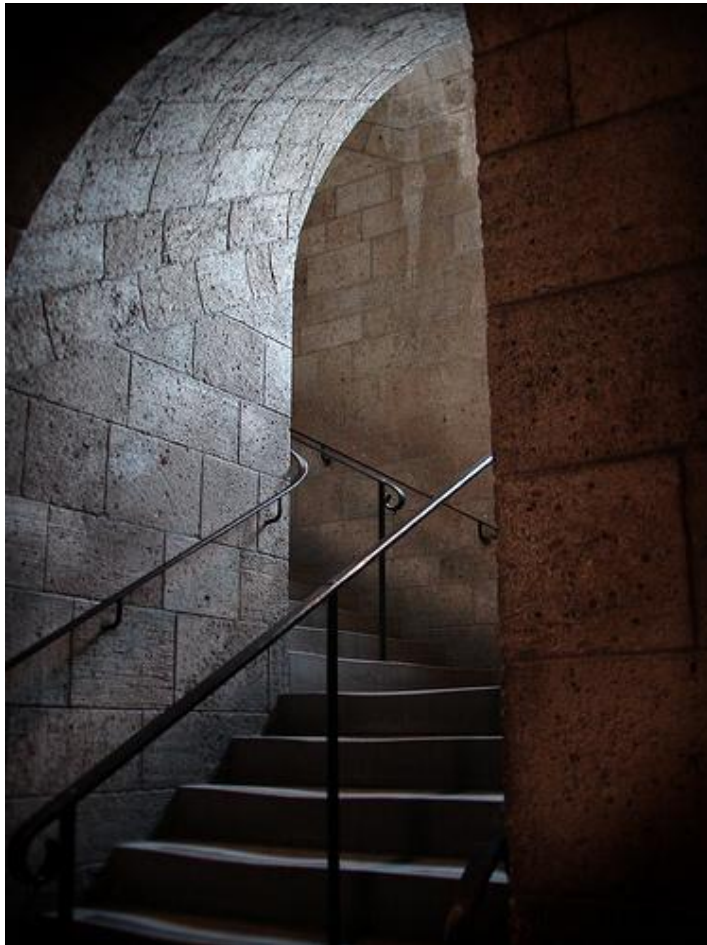


CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAMILTON

April 17, 2025 7:00 p.m.
Maundy Thursday
Service of Holy Communion

Word of the day:

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’ (John 13:34-35).



**Minister – Rev. Dr. Nick Athanasiadis
Organist – Emile Swanepoel
Lector – Rev. Lois Whitwell**

A Warm Welcome to Worship at Central this evening!

** Indicates standing, as you are able.*

PRELUDE

GATHERING PRAYER

** HYMN – Man of Sorrows, Wondrous Name*

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1. Man of sorrows, wondrous name
for the Son of God who came
ruined sinners to reclaim:
Hallelujah! Gracious Saviour!

2. Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
in my place condemned he stood,
sealed my pardon with his blood:
Hallelujah! Loving Saviour!

3. Guilty, helpless, lost were we;
spotless Lamb of God was he;
full atonement can it be?
Hallelujah! Blessed Saviour!

4. Lifted up he was to die,
'It is finished' was his cry,
now in heaven exalted high:
Hallelujah! Mighty Saviour!

5. When Christ comes, our glorious King,
all the ransomed home to bring,
then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! Wondrous Saviour!

WELCOME AND INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**O Christ, in your presence we discover who we are.
You wash our feet,
and we learn how reluctant we are to serve one another.
Even as you prepare to give yourself
for the sake of the world,
we are still seeking
our ease and our possessions.**

**Our love is weak
and yet you invite us to eat with you
at the table you provide.
Forgive us and help us to recognize your presence,
that we may find this meal
to be a celebration of joy. AMEN**

THE PEACE May the peace of Christ be with you all; **and also with you.**

Holy God - Trisagion

M. Aprahamian

REFLECTION

SCRIPTURE READING (p. 108)

John 14:1-31

* HYMN – ‘Twas on that Night

537 (vs. 1-4; see pg. 6)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER

For this time and this place
and those around us,
thank you, God

Thank you God.

For freedom to worship
and name you,
thank you, God.

Thank you God.

When we were nothing,
you made us something.
When we had no name
and no faith and no future,
you called us your children.
When we lost our way or turned away,
you did not abandon us.
When we came back to you,
your arms opened wide in welcome.

And now,
you prepare a table for us
offering not just bread, not just wine,
but your very self
so that we may be filled, forgiven,
healed, blessed and made new again.
You are worth all our pain and all our praise.
So now in gratitude,
we join our voices
to those of the Church on earth and in heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are
full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

And now,
lest we believe
that our praise alone fills your purpose,
we fall silent
and remember him who came
because words were not enough.

Setting our wisdom,
our will,
our words aside,
emptying our hearts,
and bringing nothing in our hands,
we yearn for the healing,
 the holding,
 the accepting,
 the forgiving
which Christ alone can offer.

silence

Merciful God,
send now, in kindness,
your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine
and fill them with the fullness of Jesus.

And let the same Spirit rest on us,
converting us
from the patterns of this passing world,
until we conform to the shape of him
whose food we now share.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

831

**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 debts,**

**As we forgive our debtors,
As we forgive our debtors,
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**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

* HYMN – Take Up Your Cross

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1. Take up your cross, the Saviour said,
if my disciple you would be;
deny yourself, the world forsake,
and humbly follow after me.
2. Take up your cross; let not its weight
fill frightened spirit with alarm;
his strength shall bear your spirit up,
and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3. Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
nor let your foolish pride rebel:
for you the Saviour bore the cross,
to save your soul from death and hell.

4. Take up your cross, then, in Christ's
strength,
and every danger calmly brave;
'twill guide you to a heavenly home,
and lead to victory o'er the grave.

5. Take up your cross and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down,
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

SENDING

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

'Twas on that night

ROCKINGHAM 8 8 8 8 LM

Chord progression: Eb Ab Bb Eb /G Ab 6 Eb /G Ebmaj7

1. 'Twas on that night when doomed to know the ea - ger
 2. and af - ter thanks and glo - ry given to God who
 3. "My bro - ken bo - dy thus I give for you, for
 4. Then in his hands the cup he raised and God a -

Chord progression: Ab Eb/G Bb/D Eb /Bb Bb /D F Bb /Ab

rage of eve - ry foe, that night in which he
 rules in earth and heaven, that sym - bol of his
 all; take, eat and live; and oft the sa - cred
 new he thanked and praised; the full - ness of God's

Chord progression: Eb/G Eb F7 Bb Eb/G Fm7-6 Eb Ab6 Eb/G Eb/Bb Bb 7 Eb

was be - trayed, the Sav - iour of the world took bread,
 flesh he broke, and thus to all his fol - lowers spoke:
 rite re - new that brings my won - drous love to view."
 grace he showed, and from his lips sal - va - tion flowed.

5. "My blood I thus pour forth," he cries,
 "to cleanse the soul in sin that lies;
 in this the covenant is sealed,
 and heaven's eternal grace revealed.

6. "With suffering love this cup is given;
 let all partake the wine of heaven,
 and when you gather, let it pour
 in living memory of this hour."

See also: Rockingham 231

Words: ascribed to John Morison (1750–1798), Scottish Paraphrases 1781, alt
 Music: Psalmody in Miniature, Second Supplement, c. 1780; adaptation, Edward Miller (1731–1807)

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Central Presbyterian Church is here to offer sacred space for worship, a safe space for community groups to gather, and a generous space to **Hamilton Out of the Cold** serving meals to those who need them. Your presence with us today and your support of our work means so much. May God bless you richly!

For any pastoral concerns, please contact the Rev. Lois Whitwell (905-522-9098 or lois@cpchamilton.ca). Central's Prayer Team is available to receive needs in confidence. Contact Pam Carpenter at 905-526-0631 or carpenterfamily@sympatico.ca. If you would like to get to know Central better, please introduce yourself to an usher and/or spend some time going through our Website (www.cpchamilton.ca). If you would like to be added to our email list, please inform Helena (helena@cpchamilton.ca or 905-522-9098 ext. 0). CPC Statement of Welcome: www.cpchamilton.ca/welcome-statement/

Congregational Givings

OFFERING in support of the worship and mission of Central

You can support this good work by donating in various means. You can place a gift on the offering plate, use pre-authorized remittance (PAR), donate online, send money via Interac E-Transfer, to bookkeeper@cpchamilton.ca or send a cheque. Please make sure to include your envelope number or mailing address for tax receipt purposes. For ways to give, visit cpchamilton.ca/giving

Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

Central Presbyterian Church

God's Love Includes Everyone

We strive to be a welcoming, nurturing, loving, and supportive community unified in Jesus Christ. As an inclusive congregation, we joyfully affirm and honour the diversity of God's creation. Our community is richer when we include people of all ages, gender identities, racial and cultural backgrounds, sexual orientations, abilities, economic circumstances and family configurations. We proclaim this statement of inclusion to all who have experienced the pain of exclusion or discrimination by the church and society. All are invited to join a body of believers, to participate fully in the life, leadership, witness and ministry of Central Presbyterian Church. We acknowledge we are imperfect and in different stages of our faith journey.

No matter who you are, how you identify, whom you love, or where you are on life's journey: know you are welcome here, and you are loved by God.

CPC Statement of Welcome: www.cpchamilton.ca/welcome-statement/



Stewardship Moment



Like good stewards
of the manifold
grace of God,
serve one another
with whatever gift
each of you has
received.

-1 Peter 4:10



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Central Presbyterian Church – Land Acknowledgement *

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that Central Presbyterian Church is located on the traditional territories of the Anishnaabek and Haudenosaunee peoples.

This land is protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to share and care for the lands, air, and waters around the Great Lakes.

We further acknowledge this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

We recognize that we must learn about the rich history of this land to better understand our role as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers. We are all treaty people.

* Our website has a guide explaining the above Land Acknowledgement
<https://www.cpchamilton.ca/land-acknowledgement/>

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SOUND LINC ORCHESTRA

DR. MARCUS SCHOLTES, DIRECTOR

GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 18TH, 2025
7:00PM

FREE ADMISSION ~ DONATIONS WELCOME

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
165 CHARLTON AVE. WEST
HAMILTON, ON



Holy Week

April 18

10:30 A.M. Good Friday Service of Worship and Reflection

7:00 P.M. Good Friday Choir Concert: Central Choir and soloists perform the beloved and passionate Requiem by W. A. Mozart.

Concert presented by the Central Presbyterian Choir and
Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Marcus Scholtes.
Freewill offering at the door.



On this, a most faithful and a most fateful day in the long history of God's people, we reach the climax in the unfolding drama of the life and ministry of Jesus.

April 20, 10:30 A.M. Easter Sunday Service of Worship

We celebrate the resurrection!

Featuring The Hamilton Brass Quintet

Early on that morning, the first witnesses tell us: their alarm subsided,
their courage deepened, their trauma healed, and their amazement grew.
They learned how to choose hope.



*Interim Minister – The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Athanasiadis
Minister Emeritus – The Rev. Dr. Alan M. McPherson
Interim Moderator – The Rev. Dr. Philip Wilson
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