

# PALM SUNDAY



Sunday, April 13, 2025  
9:15 a.m. (pages 2-6)  
11:00 a.m. (pages 7-11)



TIMOTHY EATON  
MEMORIAL  
CHURCH   
a place for life

# 9:15 AM ORDER OF SERVICE

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MINUTE MESSAGE

Refugee Committee

Gabriella Siciliano and Ali Reza Nazari

## OPENING SONG *PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER*

"Hosanna"

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest  
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Lord, we lift up Your name, with our hearts full of praise  
Be exalted, O Lord, our God  
Hosanna in the highest!

Glory, glory, glory to the King of Kings  
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Lord, we lift up Your name, with our hearts full of praise  
Be exalted, O Lord, our God  
Hosanna in the highest!

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the King of kings.  
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Lord, we lift up Your name, with our hearts full of praise,  
Be exalted, O Lord, our God,  
Hosanna in the highest!

*(call and response)*

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## OPENING PRAYER *PLEASE BE SEATED*

## READING

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## **INVITATION TO OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY SONG**

*"He Came Riding on a Donkey"*

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But all the morning sang his praises,  
waking birds and dancing wind;  
Here he is, the Son of David,  
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Then the children gathered singing,  
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In the streets their song was ringing,  
"Hosannas" filled the morning air.  
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caught the Spirit, joined the song;  
Spread their cloaks along before him,  
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So all the city sang his praises,  
waking streets and dancing crowd;  
Here he is, the Son of David;  
our Messiah, Son of God.

### **PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN**

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

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 26:45-56

Kathy Ristic

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## SERMON

### "Jesus is King of Pain"

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

## HOLY COMMUNION

### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

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**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God . . .  
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

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

No. 942

Minister: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. . . .  
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Minister: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. . . Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honour and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**People: Amen**

### 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,  
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Chamber Choir

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## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** *SAY TOGETHER*

God of the palms and the hosannas. God of the cross and the nails. God laid in the tomb. God on the table in the bread and wine. You constantly come to us, feed us, forgive us, and resurrect us. One day bring your kingdom in full. And let that day be so soon, Lord Jesus. Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN** *PLEASE STAND*

"Hosanna"

*Hillsong Worship*

I see the King of glory  
Coming on the clouds with fire  
The whole earth shakes; the whole earth shakes

I see His love and mercy  
Washing over all our sin  
The people sing; the people sing

*Chorus:*

*Hosanna. Hosanna  
Hosanna in the highest*

I see a generation  
Rising up to take their place  
With selfless faith; with selfless faith

I see a near revival  
Stirring as we pray and seek  
We're on our knees; we're on our knees

Heal my heart and make it clean  
Open up my eyes to the things unseen  
Show me how to love  
Like You have loved me  
Break my heart for what breaks Yours  
Everything I am  
For Your kingdom's cause  
As I walk from earth into eternity

## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

### **CONTEMPORARY BAND**

John Arndt (Band Leader, Arranger)

Noel Di Tosto, Stephen San Juan (Band)

Rosie Scopacasa, William Byassee, Ella Xu, Madeline Wood (Strings)

Olivia LaPointe, David Michael Moote (Vocals)

CCLI: 2792602

# 11:00 AM – ORDER OF SERVICE

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These services are live streamed (a live video presentation)***

## THE APPROACH

### ORGAN PRELUDE

"Processional"

*Grayston Ives  
Stephen Boda*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MINUTE MESSAGE

Refugee Committee

Pamela Earle

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN PLEASE STAND

No. 122 "All Glory, Laud and Honour"

*St. Theodulph*

### CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 118

Minister: Open the gates of righteousness: I will go into them and praise the Lord!

**All: This is the gate of the Lord, into which the righteous shall enter.**

Minister: This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**All: Hosanna! Save us, O Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

Minister: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! King Jesus, you are welcome!

**All: From the house of the Lord, we bless your holy name.**

**All Sing: Come, children, join to sing: Hallelujah!**

**Praise to our Servant King: Hallelujah!**

**Let all with heart and voice,**

**saved by God's gracious choice,**

**now in this place rejoice: Hallelujah!**

*(No. 345, v.1)*

### PRAYER OF APPROACH PLEASE BE SEATED

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## **RECESSIONAL HYMN** *PLEASE STAND*

No. 123 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

*Ellacombe*

## **BENEDICTION**

## **CHORAL AMEN**

No. 966

*Dresden*

## **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

Festival Toccata

*Percy Fletcher  
Stephen Boda*

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*The standards of palms are a donation from the Sanctuary Guild.*

# Holy Week at TEMC

## 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

- 10:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil in the Atrium

## April 20: Easter – Festival of Flowers

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



# EASTER SUNDAY

## APRIL 20, 2025

**9:15 AM: CONTEMPORARY**

**11:00 AM: TRADITIONAL**

Jason Byassee preaching:  
"Jesus Brings a Whole New Creation"  
from First Corinthians 15:12-27



## BUSHCRAFT AND WILDERNESS SURVIVAL SKILLS

This 5 week multi-module course will cover immediate skills to be used in any survival situation or as just a fascinating course to enjoy learning skills long lost in today's modern society. Open to youth and adults!

Modules covered:

- Lost person behaviour
- Fire making & ignition sources
- Building of shelters
- Water purification techniques and equipment
- Components of a survival kit
- Tools-safety and sharpening techniques
- Land navigation and
- Wilderness first-aid

Time: Every Wednesday from 6-8:30pm. Start the course at any point.

Cost: \$95.00

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](http://temc.ca/survival)

## PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID COURSE

Psychological first aid is a crisis intervention tool. Our approach provides individuals the means to identify psychological distress in themselves and others, and effectively address it. tools to be applied to care addressing grief, approach is interactive, tutorials, and real world



valuable tools to Further, we focus on one's wellness and self anxiety and crisis. Our with examples, video experiences.

Time: Courses run every Thursday from 6-8:30pm for 3 weeks. Start dates available twice a month. Follow the link below to see upcoming start dates.

Cost: \$95.00

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

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**TODAY IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO ORDER!**



## *Festival 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** [temc.ca/festival-flowers](http://temc.ca/festival-flowers) 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)

## **EASTER HOMECOMING COMMUNION SERVICE**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 17 AT 2:00 PM**

Communion Service followed by afternoon tea

If you need a ride or you can drive, please email  
[joanneleatch@temc.ca](mailto:joanneleatch@temc.ca) or 416-925-5977 ext. 230.



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# MAUNDY THURSDAY

## *Musical Reflection*

Selections from Vivaldi's  
*Gloria* and *Stabat Mater*

*featuring TEMC Soloists & Choirs with string quartet*

FREE ADMISSION

APRIL 17 | 7 PM

230 St. Clair Ave W





## EASTER DINNER

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 [temc.ca](http://temc.ca) 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](mailto:daylebarrett@temc.ca) if you can lend a hand.



*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.*

Tickets: \$45 available at the door or  
online at [torontowelsh.org](http://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**



### **SPRING 2025 BEGINNER LINE DANCE CLASSES**

Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 PM

Thursdays 1:00-2:30 PM

Both sessions run for 9 weeks.

Drop-in to any class for \$10 or register for all 9 classes for \$80!

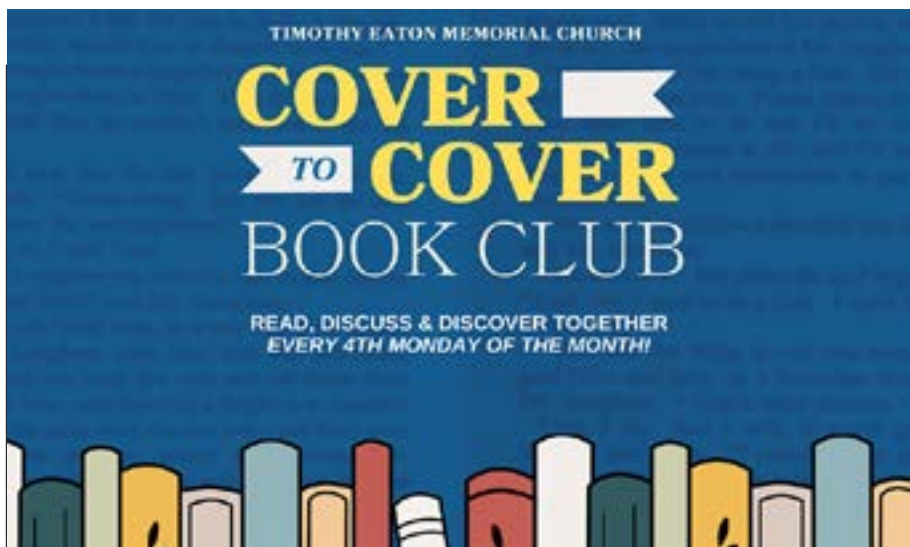
Want to know more? Contact [jaclyndidiano@temc.ca](mailto:jaclyndidiano@temc.ca)

### **STEWARDSHIP**

We are at TEMC because it feels like home - a place that uplifts our community and our family and is a place where we want to give back.

*Laura and Markus Giesler, new members.*





**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*.

Invite your friends and neighbours. Everyone is welcome!

Books are also chosen due to their easy availability at used bookstores, the Toronto Public Library, audible, ebook etc. Please note book club is designed to entice conversation while recognizing not everyone will have had the opportunity to read the book. As such, the discussion will be curated around particular passages and themes without spoiling the story and in hopes that any attendant's appetite will be whet for finishing the story in their own time.

**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](http://cothfoodbank.ca) for more information or to donate.

Thank you for your support.



Have you checked out our blog? Visit us at [temc.ca/blog](http://temc.ca/blog) to see what's new.

# ART AND TREASURES SALE

Saturday, May 3, 2025

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

- Paintings
- Jewellery
- Crystal
- Fine China
- Silverware
- Collectibles

*Funds raised support TEMC and the Food Bank*

Timothy Eaton  
Memorial Church  
230 St. Clair Ave. W.



## **TEMC GOLF CLASSIC: MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025**

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

1:30 PM Shotgun Start — golf, dinner, and silent auction  
All in support of TEMC.

# Welcome

We are glad you've joined us to worship. It is our hope that you will find the presence of God and Christian fellowship here today. There is something for everybody here at TEMC. Below you will see a list of current programs. For more information about a specific program, speak to anyone on staff, they'd be happy to help you get involved.

Art Group – Mondays, 9:30 am

Food Bank – Mondays at 6:00 pm, Wednesdays, 10:30 am

Cover to Cover Book Club – fourth Monday of the month, 7 pm

Bible Study – Tuesdays at 1:30 pm

Heart 'N Hands Together – alternate Tuesdays, 1:00 pm

Musical Mosaic concert – the second Tuesday of the month, 12 pm

Badminton drop-in – Tuesdays, 4:00-5:30 pm

Line Dance classes – Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm; Thursdays, 1:00-2:30 pm

Choir School Rehearsals – Wednesdays, 5:30 pm

Youth Fellowship – Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

Men's Group – Thursdays, 7:00 am

Adult Choir Rehearsals – Thursdays, 6:30 pm

AA Meetings – Thursdays, 8:00 pm

Bilingual (Welsh/English) Service – first Sunday of the month, 2:00 pm

Worship Services – Sundays, 9:15 & 11:00 am

Sunday School – Sundays, 9:30 am

Coffee Hour – Sundays, 10:15 am

## **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 [temc.ca/livestream](http://temc.ca/livestream) or [facebook.com/temctoronto](https://facebook.com/temctoronto).
- Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex or at [temc.ca/sermons](http://temc.ca/sermons).

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