

# St. James United Church

April 18, 2014  
Good Friday Vespers

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry  
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Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM  
Music: Sight Restored

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**Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.  
Please turn off your cell phone during the Service.**

**Prologue:** *For the Greater Good of God* Iron Maiden

## Greeting



**Opening Sentences:** (responsive)

One: In hope, in longing:

**All: We're glad to come together.**

One: In solidarity with those who struggle:

**All: We're glad to come together.**

One: In resistance to those who dominate:

**All: We're glad to come together.**

One: In memory of Jesus, who lived with compassion:

**All: We're glad to come together.**

One: In memory of all who act with courage:

**All: We're glad to come together.**

**Hymn:** *Deep in Our Hearts* MV154

## Reading 1 and Reflection

## Reading 2 and Reflection

**Hymn:** *Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* VU563

## Reading 3 and Reflection

## Reading 4 and Reflection

**Hymn:** *O God, Why Are You Silent?* MV73

## Reading 5 and Reflection

## Reading 6 and Reflection

**Hymn:** *Wonderful Cross (verses 1,3 4)* VU149

**Chorus:** *"O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.  
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross;  
All who gather here by grace draw near  
And bless Your name."*

## Reading 7 and Reflection

**An Affirmation of Faith:** (responsive)

One: In God, Source of Life

**All: our deaths are not the final word,  
our moments of crisis are part of eternal possibility,  
and our weakness is taken up into the courage of God.**

One: As followers of Jesus of the Way,

**All: our humanness is touched with divine life,  
our tears are mingled with longing love,  
and our solidarity with those who suffer  
is joined by divine presence.**

One: In the Spirit of Creativity,

**All: there are no boundaries on the dream,  
there is no end to hope,  
and we will never live beyond the cherishing of God.**

## Prayer

## Sending Out

**Reprise:** *For the Greater Good of God* Iron Maiden

**Please leave the Sanctuary in silence; your offering will be received at the door.**

**Ushering this evening is provided by:**

**Usher in Charge:** Marilyn Adams

**Ushers:** Michelle, Wayne, Maggie and Sophie Skinner, Gordon Adams

***Please join us on Easter morning for our Easter Egg  
Breakfast at 9:30.***

***Cost is a donation to the GOProject/Rendez-vous youth  
programs.***

***Easter Services:***

***8:30am Communion***

***11:00am Easter Celebration***