

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF CANDLES

Hosted by: Sur/Del United Church Cluster

Musicians: Bruce Harding, Nicole Desy, and the Crossroads Band

March 30, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome Rev. Dale Johnson, Colebrook

Call To Worship

Lighting the Advent and Christ Candles

Candle Lighters: Katie Tracy, Crossroads and Juha Shin, Cloverdale

Hymn “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (VU 149)

Children depart with Gabrielle & Pyoung Shik

Centering Prayer Rev. Scott Turnbrook, Northwood

First Reading: Mark 14:32-52 Helen Scott, Colebrook

Reflection on the Evaporation of Hope Edna Cooper, Colebrook

(Extinguishing the Candle of Hope – In our despair, touch us, O God.)

Silence

Sung Response: “Wonder and Stare” (VU 118)

Second Reading Mark 14:53-65 Pam Shaw, Crossroads

Reflection on the Displacement of Peace Rev. Cari Copeman-Haynes,
Crossroads

(Extinguishing the Candle of Peace – In our violence, touch us, O God.)

Silence

Sung Response: “Wonder and Stare” (VU 118)

Third Reading Mark 14:66-72 In Lee, Cloverdale

Reflection on the Departure of Joy Candy Nieuwenhuizen, Cloverdale

(Extinguishing the Candle of Joy – In our sorrow, touch us, O God.)

Silence

Sung Response: “Wonder and Stare” (VU 118)

Children return to the worshipping community

Fourth Reading Mark 15:1-15 Emma Dyck, Northwood

Children’s Tableau: Withdrawal of Love

(Extinguishing the Candle of Love – In our apathy, touch us, O God.)

Silence

Anthem “Crucifixus” (Harding)

Prayers for the World and the Lord’s Prayer Paraphrase Rev. Juanita
Lowe, Bethany-Newton

Fifth Reading Mark 15:16-39 Bob Gabriel, Bethany-Newton

Arrival of Death Hilary Stankiewicz, Cloverdale

(Extinguishing the Christ Candle – As life fades, touch us, O God.)

Hymn “The Love that Clothes Itself in Light” (VU 137)

Closing Prayer and Dismissal Rev. Lori Megley-Best, Cloverdale

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We welcome you to this Good Friday Service organized by the Surrey/Delta Cluster of the United Church in the Fraser Presbytery. The churches in the Sur/Del Cluster include: Bethany-Newton, Cloverdale, Hazelmere, Colebrook, Crossroads and Northwood. It is our hope that your spirit and soul will be deeply touched as we take time to pause, reflect and remember on this somber holy day.

At the close of the service we will be receiving a retiring offering that will go to the Oak Avenue Neighbourhood Hub Society. Through a variety of services including a clothes closet for children and supports for seniors, the “Hub” is a place of home and hope for people in need in Surrey and Delta. Your generous contributions are greatly appreciated.