



Holy Week Blessings & Happy Easter!



Happy Easter Friends!

The Easter season will now be upon us, a time of living out our faith in new and challenging ways! New because that is what is needed these days and challenging because well, we've been cooped up for awhile and need to burst forth as the church in meaningful ways!

I have enjoyed our worship series "Good Enough" this Lent as we have journeyed together to be reminded *Blessed are we.* The imperfect and don't-have-it-all-

together. God's beloved. There are five books left for purchase, please consider purchasing for yourself to gain a fuller expression of the theme *good enough* or perhaps you have a friend or family member struggling to see themselves, as a precious child of God after a challenging time and might benefit from a gift of this book. Contact Rev. Shelly via email rev.kocis@caradocpresbyteian.ca

As we look to the future, at Caradoc, post pandemic I invite you to tend the garden of your faith.

The garden is a prophetic way to think of our faith. Remember Jesus was mistaken to be the gardener in the Easter Resurrection story?! What a curious part of the story ... Kate Bowler finishes off the devotions of *Good Enough* on this note, "Maybe this is what it means to be an Easter person - to see Christ and think, *Gardener*, not as a mistaken identity but as a prophetic one. The seed in the ground, the body in the tomb-this is a picture of defiant hope. All the labour and sweat and love and precious time for a single bloom. Delicate and bold. Brief but memorable. *Alleluia*, *indeed*. "

Kate says earlier on in this final devotion, "the radical moment of new life bursting forth from seeming death." The new life bursting forth from Resurrection is ours to claim this Easter Sunday and each and every Sunday. In the coming months join me, the leadership of Caradoc and our community of faith in planting seeds, nurturing growth and witnessing blooms of faith! Let's be Resurrection people together!

Blessed are you who are buried ... who are learning to trust the timing of a tender Gardener.

Blessed are you who are growing, you who burst with new life, fresh creativity. Who understand the pain that sometimes comes with stretching and changing, pruning and being cut back.

And blessed are you in your season of fruitfulness. You who are learning to abide in the vine, and who taste the sweetness of God's loving-kindness. The God who was there all along-planting, waiting, watering, pruning, delighting. The God who pays careful attention to God's garden.

Amen.

Deepest peace and Easter Blessings to you and yours, Rev. Shelly

Note: Blessing and excerpt from the book *Good Enough* by Kate Bowler & Jessica Richie (page 226-232)

Holy Week Worship

Holy Week Worship Services

- Maundy Thursday 7pm (online)
- Good

Friday 10am (in person) Easter

Easter Sunday 11am (online & in person)

Facebook users look to our Facebook page for special posts over Holy Week weekend.



Worship details ...



Maundy Thursday Worship

Join worship for a contemplative time as we journey through the Passion Narrative.

On Facebook:

- * Prelude will be posted at 6:50pm
- * Worship will be posted at 7pm.

Note: There is NO in person and there will be no communion



Good Friday Worship

Join worship to confront the darkness of our own lives and the remembrance of this day in the life of our Lord and Saviour.

 Worship begins at 10 am and will conclude in silence. Friends unable to join the in person Good Friday worship please look to Facebook at 10am for a Good Friday devotion.



Easter Sunday

Join worship online or in person to celebrate Easter Joy together!

- 11am for in person worship **OR**
- On Facebook: 10:45 prelude | 11am

The Easter Season is upon us!
Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Announcements



Caradoc Church Annual Meeting

Please consider attending worship and our annual meeting Sunday April 24th at 11am. Our Annual meeting will be integrated in the end of worship this year, of course you are welcome to leave at the beginning of the meeting however worship will not conclude until the end of the meeting. We estimate to be done no later 12:30pm.

Caradoc Coffee Break!

Caradoc Coffee Break will continue to the end of April.

We meet Wednesdays at 10am, all are



welcome, even if it's for the first time!

If you are new to Coffee Break please comment on Facebook posts or email Rev. Shelly rev.kocis@caradocpresbyterian.ca



BIG thanks!

A great BIG thanks to all those who supported the YUMMY Caradoc Ladies Aid fundraiser and purchased meat or fruit pies this winter & spring!

AND

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A BIG BIG thanks to all the volunteers who spent time organizing and making pies for the

YUMMY Caradoc Ladies Aid fundraiser.

Your support and enthusiasm is appreciated!

Caradoc church encourages mask wearing, physical distancing and hand hygiene when at the church for worship & activities while we continue to battle COVID19 in our community









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