

Westside Baptist Church **Bulletin**

April 6, 2025 5th Sunday of Lent

Speaker: Pastor Alan Yu

During Worship

- ▶ Be still and prepare your heart for worship.
- ► Please close the main hall doors gently during worship services.
- ► Please take care of your personal belongings to avoid theft.

Offering

- Welcome to donate via E-transfer, email: westsidebaptistoffering@gmail.com
- ➤ To donate by cash or cheque, please use an offering envelope and put it into the offering bag during worship.
- When making a donation, please indicate your donation envelope number and your full legal name. The offering envelope number can be obtained from the church office.

Notes to CitRUs parents:

- ► The enrollment age for CitRUs Children's Ministry starts from age 3; one parent can accompany children under 3 to participate in worship in Room B.
- ► Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am at Room E & F.
- ► Please supervise your children after you have picked them up from the classroom.

Parking

- ► The upstairs parking lot (Parking Lot 1) is designated for new comers, people with reduced mobility, the elderly and families with young children.
- ➤ The indoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2) will be closed at 1:00 pm on Sundays. Afterwards, you will have to wait until 10:00 am on Tuesday morning to collect your vehicle.
- Additional parking spaces are available at 8508
 Ash Street (Parking Lot 3) on Saturdays from 4:00
 -7:00pm and Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Maps are available in the foyer.
- ► To be considerate of our neighbors, please do not park in the residential area.
- ▶ Please do not double park.
- ▶ When parking in the outdoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2), please be careful not to block the emergency exits and keep a distance of 3 feet from the building's exterior wall so that the emergency exit doors can be fully opened.
- Please park and lock your bike/e-bike outside. Do not park the bike inside the building.
- ► Congregants are required to register online annually to park at the church or 8508 Ash during worship services. Registration link:

https://forms.gle/TDSft5sAJgk5QMeN8

Scripture Reading Plan

- ➤ This week, we delve into the darkest phase of Jesus' passion, his crucifixion. Recall the temptation he faced during this final process: the allure of giving up suffering, descending from the Cross, and achieving immediate popularity. Yet, Jesus remained steadfast in the order of the Kingdom of Heaven, manifested in humility and selfless sacrifice.
- ► Next week, during Holy Week, we will revisit the passion account in Mark, day by day, through the Online Multimedia Meditation Experience. If you haven't registered yet, please sign up at Universe. com/Westside.

- ► Reading Plan for this week:
 - April 6 (Sunday) Mark 15:16-32
 - April 7 (Monday) Matthew 26:69-27:14
 - ► April 8 (Tuesday) Matthew 27:15-31
 - ► April 9 (Wednesday) Matthew 27:32-56
 - ► April 10 (Thursday) Matthew 27:57-66
 - ► April 11 (Friday) Mark 15:33-47
 - ► April 12 (Saturday) Luke 23:44-56
 - April 13 Holy Week Online Multimedia Meditation Experience

Co·Mission 19. The New Covenant

[Mark 14:12-25]

"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. [Mark 14:24]

Sermon Outline	My Reflection
Introduction	➤ What did God tell me through the message today?
Content	
1. About Prophetic Action	
2. About Covenant	
3. About Eating	
4. About Breaking Bread	

5. About Anticipation	My Reflection ► What did God tell me through the message today?
6. About Repetition	
7. About Relationship	
Conclusion	
My Prayer Response ► Write down your responsive prayer for God's word today.	My Action Response▶ What changes will you make in response to God's word today?

Small Group Discussions

Testimony

1. Please share about your scripture reading this week. What do you find rewarding? What do you find frustration?

Know

- 2. Please review your sermon notes for this week. What did you learn that you did not know previously?
- 3. Read together again Mark 14:12-25. What impression does this passage give you? What is the most intriguing saying in this passage to you? Why?
- 4. What new insights did you learn about the Holy Communion from this week's sermon?
- 5. How is eating a covenantal act in the biblical tradition?
- 6. Why is betrayal during a meal such a shocking act in this passage?
- 7. How is the Holy Communion both a remembrance and an anticipation?

Feel

- 8. How do you feel when you consider that Jesus invited even Judas to the table?
- 9. Do you find the idea of God absorbing the consequences of our broken covenant comforting or unsettling? Why?
- 10. How does participating in the Holy Communion impact your sense of connection with Jesus?
- 11. What does it feel like to be invited into covenantal relationship with God through a meal rather than a ritual or doctrine?
- 12. In what ways do you feel nourished—spiritually, emotionally, relationally—through Communion?

Plan

13. What are the hindrances (including internal and external) for you to embrace the full meaning of Holy Communion? What are the effective ways to remove these hindrances? Please ask your group members for advice.

Do

- 14. Resolve to embrace the full meaning of Holy Communion. Share how practically you'll do this with your group members.
- 15. Invite a group member to be your accountability partner, and give him/her permission to rebuke you when you have not followed through on your resolution.
- 16. Commit to embrace the full meaning of Holy Communion. Ask the Holy Spirit to mould you more into the likeness of Jesus.

Announcements

- New Christian Education. Topic: Faithful Presence (7 lessons) April 27 - June 8 10:45 -11:45am in Room E. Please register at <u>universe</u>. com/westside
- ► Holy Week Online multimedia devotional materials will be available for congregants from Palm Sunday to Easter. Register at <u>universe.com/</u> westside for the link.
- ► Maundy Thursday Holy Communion meditation will be on April 17 at 8:00 pm (English). Register at universe.com/westside.
- ▶ Easter Sunday (April 20) bilingual services at 9:00 am and 11:00 am, with baptisms during the second service. Register at <u>universe.com/westside</u> starting today at 4:00pm. The April 19 Saturday service will be cancelled.
- ➤ The **Youth Camp** at Trinity Western University is from May 16–19, 2025, for XP3, Gzone, and Adiel students. Details and registration: https://tinyurl.com/2s3dw468



- ▶ Adiel Fellowship will be selling ice cookies and other baked goods on April 11, 12, 13 before and after services. Please remember to bring cash, and 100% of the proceeds, after ingredient and material costs, will go towards funding the youth attending youth camp in May.
- ➤ The church and Canadian Blood Services will host a **blood donation event** at the 4750 Oak St station on July 5 at 1:00 p.m. Please <u>register online</u> to participate. For details, see the bulletin board or contact Jessica Ho.

Fellowship Life

- ▶ Westside 101 is a course designed for anyone who wishes to join us as a member through baptism or transfer of membership. It consists of approximately five 90-minute classes. Please register at universe.com/westside

 - Small groups are the heart of our fellowship life and an essential part of our holistic Christian living. We invite you to join our small groups if you are willing to commit. To register, please visit universe.com/westside

