KING'S GATE UNITED CHURCH

A CONGREGATION OF THE UNITED CHURCH IN JAMAICA AND THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

(Congregational, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian)

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MORNING PRAISE & WORSHIP



Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment. Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this. For the poor always ye have with you; but me ye have not always.

John 12: 3 & 7-8 KJV

Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday, April 6, 2025 9:00 a.m.

Enter to Worship... Depart to Serve!

MINISTER:

WORSHIP LEADER:

ATTENDING ELDER:

COMMUNION ELDER: MUSICIANS:

Rev'd Garwell Bacchas Sis. Claudette Bacchas

Elder Jeaneth Rose

Elder Judith Fraser

Darron Fraser - Keyboard Barrington Soares Jr. - Drum Stephen Reid - Bass Guitar

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King's Gate United Church

Order Of Worship

APPROACH TO GOD

(Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you. After the service, speak to others.)

WELCOME: Sis. Claudette Bacchas

CHORUS:

"We Bring Sacrifice Of Praise...."

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L/ Children of God: welcome! Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.
- C/ God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community. God invites all of us to share in the good news.
- A/ We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are. In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN: "O Worship The King...."

- O worship the King, all glorious above,
 O gratefully sing His power and His love;
 Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
 Pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.
- O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
- The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old; Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
 It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain,
 And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
- Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail; Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
 While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
 The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 With true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise.

PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION AND THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER (SPOKEN)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L/ This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God but He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:9-10)

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 126

C/ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and forever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FAMILY INFORMATION SHARING: Elder Paula Cobourne

CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Sisters: Joy Lake & Alice Downer

Brothers: Crouse Campbell, Tristan Chambers, Andre Williams, Shelley Wittle

Celebratory Prayer — Rev. Garwell Bacchas

CELEBRATION WITH CHORUSES AND SONGS OF PRAISE

- Lord I Lift Your Name On High
- Heart Of Worship
- Worthy Is The Lamb

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

- M/ Brothers and sisters, we read in the Gospels of the meals Jesus shared with His disciples, we recall His feast of the Last Supper with His disciples.
- C/ We recall His eating at the lakeside after He had risen from the dead. We recall how the Apostles broke bread together.
- M/ Today we break bread as servants of the Christ. So come all to His table.

HYMN: "I Stand Amazed....." (Sung during the distribution of elements)

1. I stand amazed in the presence

Of Jesus the Nazarene,

And wonder how He could love me,

A sinner, condemned, unclean.

O how marvellous! O how wonderful! And my song shall ever be: O how marvellous! O how wonderful! Is my Saviour's love for me!

- For me it was in the garden
 He prayed: "Not My will, but Thine."
 He had no tears for His own griefs,
 But sweat drops of blood for mine.
- In pity angels beheld Him,
 And came from the world of light
 To comfort Him in the sorrows
 He bore for my soul that night.
- He took my sins and my sorrows, He made them His very own; He bore the burden to Calvary, And suffered and died alone.
- When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see, 'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me.

LITURGY FOR THE HOLY COMMUNION

M/ The Lord be with you

C/ And with you also

M/ Lift up your hearts

C/ We lift them up to the Lord

M/ Let us give thanks to our Lord

C/ It is right to give thanks to the Lord

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION OF SELF

M/ Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

A/ Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

M/ Let us pray

M/ Almighty God and our heavenly Father, we recognise that it is a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to You. We join the angels and the company in singing to You.

All sing: Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in Three Persons. blessed Trinity!

M/ We give You thanks for the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ: for His life and ministry on earth; for His suffering and death on the cross; for His glorious resurrection from the dead; for His ascension into heaven; for the promise of His coming again. A/ We therefore present ourselves to be living sacrifices unto You; holy and pleasing in Your sight. Send down Your Holy Spirit to sanctify us, and present us once again faultless before Your throne of grace with exceedingly great joy. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION OF ELEMENTS AND THE RE-ENACTMENT

HYMN: "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross....."

- When I survey the wondrous cross
 On which the Prince of glory died,
 My richest gain I count but loss,
 And pour contempt on all my pride.
- Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

Elder J. Rose/ Almighty God, King of the universe - You who bring forth bread from the earth, send down Your Holy Spirit to sanctify this bread, which we set before You that it may be for us the body of Christ. Amen.

M/ On the night in which He gave himself up for us, Jesus took bread and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave to His disciples and said take, eat, this is my body broken for you, do this in remembrance of me.

HYMN: "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross....."

3. See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Elder J. Fraser/ Almighty God, King of the universe - You who bring forth wine from the vine, send down Your Holy Spirit to sanctify this wine, which we set before You that it may be for us the blood of Christ. Amen.

M/ In the same manner also, He took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to the disciples and said drink from this, all of you this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat of this bread and drink this cup you are proclaiming the Lord's death until He comes.

THE NARRATIVE CONTINUES

HYMN: "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross....."

4. His dying crimson, like a robe, Spreads o'er His body on the tree; Then I am dead to all the globe, And all the globe is dead to me. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess to You now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We confess our sins as a church. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world as Christ gave himself for us. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit to us, that He may give us power to live as by Your mercy, You have called us to live, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

M/ Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,

C/ Have mercy upon us.

M/ Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,

C/ Have mercy upon us.

M/ Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world,

C/ Grant us Your peace.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE WINE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

M/ The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C/ And also with you.

WORSHIP WITH TITHES, OFFERINGS & OFFERING FOR CHARITY

"Give as the Lord has prospered you"

CHORUS: "God Is Good...."

CHORUS: "Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow....."

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERINGS

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Sis. Yvonne Leys– Dawkins

Old Testament: Isaiah 43:16–21 New Testament: John 12:1–8

SOLO: "Cornerstone" Sis. Judith Edwards

SERMON: "Devotion And Sacrifice"

Rev. Garwell Bacchas

REPONSE HYMN: "The Old Rugged Cross...."

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
 The emblem of suffering and shame;
 And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
 For a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

- O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me; For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above To bear it to dark Calvary.
- In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, A wondrous beauty I see, For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, To pardon and sanctify me.
- 4. To the old rugged cross I will ever be true; Its shame and reproach gladly bear; Then he'll call me some day to my home far away, Where his glory forever I'll share.

PASTORAL PRAYER: Rev. Garwell Bacchas

GOING FORTH HYMN: "And Can It Be...."

- 1. And can it be that I should gain
 An interest in the Saviour's blood?
 Died He for me, who caused His pain—
 For me, who Him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! How can it be,
 That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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 That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
- 'Tis mystery all: th'Immortal dies:
 Who can explore His strange design?
 In vain the firstborn seraph tries
 To sound the depths of love divine.
 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
 Let angel minds inquire no more.
 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore;
 Let angel minds inquire no more.
- 3. He left His Father's throne above

So free, so infinite His grace— Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race: 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For O my God, it found out me! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For O my God, it found out me!

- 4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay, Fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quickening ray— I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
- 5. No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine; Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach th'eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own. Bold I approach th'eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

BENEDICTION Rev Garwell Bacchas **DOXOLOGY** "Now Unto Him Who Is Able...."

FAMILY NEWS

OUR WELCOME

We are pleased to have you, our friends who are visiting and worshipping with us today. It is our hope that you will come again and join in our fellowship as together we worship God. We welcome you most cordially.

If you are desirous of becoming a full fledged member of the fellowship of our church family, please indicate such an interest to any of the ushers or to the minister. Have a blessed week.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays 9:00 a.m. Divine Worship
Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Prayer & Fasting
6:30 p.m. Bible Study
3rd Saturdays 8:30 a.m. Prayer & Fasting

NOTICES

ON-GOING & UPCOMING EVENTS

- Our Bible Study continues on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The presenter for this
 meeting will be Rev. Garwell Bacchas. The house of Esther will lead in the
 month of April. All members are encouraged to attend as well as to bring
 out their family and friends.
- Women's Fellowship "Easter Buns Sale" is currently in progress. Place your order with Sis. Rubie Edwards.
- The Young Adults will be having their annual Easter Cheese Sale. Place your orders with Sis. Anissea Bremmer, Bro. Sajato Powell or Bro. Sean Mesquita.
- It is with deep regret we announce the passing of Sis. Lameta' daughter. The Funeral Service will be on Saturday, June 7, 2025.
- It is with deep regret we announce the passing of Bro. Crouse Campbell's mother.
- It is with deep regret we announce the passing of Sis. Audrey Campbell's mother-in-Law.
- Please continue to pray for Sis. Norma Beckford's husband who is ill.
- Holy Week Services begin on Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. under the theme "Words From The Cross". Theme Song: "The Old Rugged Cross...."
- Palm Sunday will be celebrated on April 13
- Our Good Friday service will be on Friday, April 18 at 10:00 a.m.
- Steel Pan training Saturdays at 12noon—2:00pm
- The Skills Training Centre is now recruiting for Housekeeping Level 2, Food Preparation Levels 2 & 3. Please contact Mrs. Venice Walters at 946-3989 for further information.
- The Skills Training Centre is now offering Basic & Advanced Computer Class on Mondays and Wednesdays 4;00pm 6:00p.m. Cost \$16,000.00. Please contact Mrs. Venice Walters at 946-3989 for further information.

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SICK & SHUT-INS

- ⇒ Call to buoy-up spirits Visit – to strengthen with your presence Pray For – to commend to God's care:
- ⇒ Sis. Alice Downer
- ⇒ Sis. Daphne Drummond
- ⇒ Sis. Edith Gutzmore
- ⇒ Sis. Lillian Johnson
- ⇒ Sis. Vera Lynch
- ⇒ Sis. Maisielyn Noble
- ⇒ Rev. Dr. Richmond Nelson

Kintyre -

- ⇒ Sis. Veronica Brown
- ⇒ Sis. Norma McCarty, Beatrice Walters, Patricia Barnes

These are our members who because of failing health, have not worshipped with us for a considerable time. Let us be unfailing in our support.

KING'S GATE UNITED IN PRAYER

Monday, April 7, 2025

Let's pray in earnest concerning:

- The Church and its witness in the world
- The cessation of crime in Jamaica and the world

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Let's pray in earnest concerning:

- Youth of our nation
- The government and policy makers for Godly wisdom

Did you remember to pray last Monday and Wednesday at 9 p.m.? Call to remind someone. Wherever we may be, we are urged to pause for prayer on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9 p.m. Your prayer requests are solicited.

THE WORD

⇒ Let us take pleasure and find fulfilment in reading the Bible daily. Our suggested readings may be found useful.

 Sunday
 John 11:17-27

 Monday
 John 11:28-44

 Tuesday
 John 11:45-57

 Wednesday
 John 12:1-11

 Thursday
 Luke 18:18-43

 Friday
 Luke 19:1-10

 Saturday
 Luke 19:11-27

Nugget For Today:

What have you read in Scripture that you can do today? What might you stop doing?

SERMON NOTES

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