

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul

March 31st 2024

Easter: Resurrection Sunday



Improvised Easter Prelude *Lawrence Surges*

Words of Welcome (*Please stand as clergy enters*)

The Gathering of the Community

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Musical opening CP 203 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

(Text: Lyra Davidica, 1708, , public domain)



*Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*

*Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*

*But the pains which he endured, alleluia!
our salvation have procured; alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!*

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Giving us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Rejoice, then, even in your distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

God has claimed us as his own.

God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Gloria (sung)

(music: Mass of Christ the Savior Dan Schutte Oregon: Catholic Press 2009 One Licence)

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth
Peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you, we bless You
We adore you, we glorify You
We give you thanks,
For your great glory.
Lord God heavenly King,
O God Almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.
You take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.
You take away the sins of the world,
Receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand
The right hand of the Father
Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the most High,
Jesus Christ.
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory
Of God the Father.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth
Peace to people of good will.**

Amen, Amen.

Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

Let us pray,
God of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of Jesus, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new. May we, being dead to sin and alive through you give all glory to you, great Trinity of life, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading One: Isaiah 25:6-8

(Read by Mavis Pillar)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.*

*And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;*

he will swallow up death for ever.

*Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.*

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

On this day he has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

Let Israel say, His steadfast love endures forever.'

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

‘The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.’

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

On this day he has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

Reading Two: Acts 10:34-43

A reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

Then Peter began to speak to them: ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn CP 405 Alleluia No 1

(Text and Music: Donal Fishel 1950- Word of God Music 1973 CCLI)



Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give praise to God’s name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth;
he is king of creation. **Refrain:**

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and is risen. **Refrain:**

Gospel Reading: Mark 16:1-8

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn Hymn CP 405 Alleluia No 1
(Text and Music: Donal Fishel 1950- Word of God Music 1973 CCLI)



Refrain:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Give praise to God's name.

We have been crucified with Christ:
now we shall live forever. **Refrain:**

Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour. **Refrain:**

Sermon *The Rev. Gail Rodger*

Special Music: Robert Lowry's "Low in the grave he lay"

Announcements

The Great Thanksgiving

Hymn: CP 237 Now the Green Blade Rises (please be seated for this hymn)
(Text: John Crum (1872-1958) , Music Melody French 15th century One licence)

*Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

*In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

*Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

*When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.*

Prayer over the Gifts:

Gracious God, alone we can do nothing, but through your loving sacrifice, receive all we offer you this day, in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer *(Please stand)*
(Musical setting CP719 The Great Thanksgiving #11)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we raise our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

(sung)
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes,
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all
in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: this is my body which is
given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to
them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this
for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith, (sung)

**Christ has died,
Christ has risen,
Christ will come again;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to
you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may
be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to
your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the
Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us
to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our
salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all
honour and glory are yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

(sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

(musical setting VU 960 R. Langdon)

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy
will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us**

not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord we died with you on the cross,
Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.
Now we share in your resurrection.
Live in us, that we may live in you.

The table of love is offered for all people. It is Christ who invites us to meet love incarnate here, and all are welcome.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thank be to God.

The Communion

Instrumental musical selections during communion

Prayer after Communion *(please stand)*

Let us pray,
God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The blessing of the Holy Trinity; the loving Creator, who is the source of all being, of Jesus Christ who is the love incarnate in the world, and the ever present Holy Spirit, hold you and surround you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Musical Sending: RHB 106 Lord of the Dance

(Text and Music Daniel Schutte, 1979 New Dawn Music One License)

*I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth:
at Bethlehem I had my birth.*

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

*I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me and the dance went on: **Refrain***

*I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
the holy people said it was a shame.
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
and they left me there on a cross to die: **Refrain***

*I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
but I am the dance, and I still go on: **Refrain***

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude on G.F Handel's "Judas Maccabaeus" & George Job Elvey's "Diademata"

(public domain)

(You are invited to sit and enjoy the postlude. As it is offered to the glory of God, please, no applause is necessary.)

Welcome to all those visiting us at St. Peter and St. Paul.

We welcome saints, seekers and sinners as we live into a life in Christ, learning about and from one another as we worship God together. Christ binds us together in love through our diversity. If you are comfortable, please give us your name and address so we can add you to our weekly prayer list. We are looking forward to getting to know you better.

Washrooms are found in the hall, up the stairs, on the right.

Territorial Acknowledgement

We worship on the traditional lands of the Ləkʷəŋən speaking peoples, who are the Esquimalt, Songhees and other Nations of the Salish and Coast Salish Peoples. We, who came from many lands to join the line of those worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.

Would you like to make an Easter offering?

SPSP has online banking. We can now receive donations instantly and at any time using e-transfer. In your online banking use the email address givings@stpeterandpaul.ca

Just remember to put your envelope number in the message box,

or, if you are visiting, your name and address for a receipt for a donation of \$25 or more.

Thank you for your support.

Parish of St Peter and St Paul

1379 Esquimalt Road Esquimalt BC V9A



ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL
ESQUIMALT

Bishop The Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

Rector The Rev. Gail Rodger 250-665-6814

Rector's Warden Ann Easton: People's Warden Adora Waters

Organist Lawrence Surges

Safe Church Liaison Karen Hogg 250-386-6833

Envelope Secretary Andrew Sebo givings@stpeterandpaul.ca

Parish Office Hours: by appointment only.

Office Phone: 250-386-6833

 www.facebook.com/AnglicanParishOfStPeterAndStPaulVictoriaBcCanada/

E-mail: admin@stpeterandpaul.ca

Website: www.stpeterandpaul.ca

CCLI License No.3233500; One License No A-739997

Charitable Tax No. 118787142 RR 000 0005