

# The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul

April 20<sup>th</sup> 2025

## Easter: Resurrection Sunday

### Words of Welcome

#### 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!*

### Easter Litany

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**He gave 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.  
**He called us from our darkness into the light of his day.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Christ our Passover

Alleluia!  
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \* **therefore let us keep the feast,**  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \* **but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**  
**Alleluia!**

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \* **death no longer has dominion over him.**  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \* **but the life he lives, he lives to God.**  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \* **and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**Alleluia!**

Christ has been raised from the dead, \* **the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

For since by a man came death, \* **by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

For as in Adam all die, \* **so also in Christ shall all be made alive.**  
**Alleluia!**

### The Proclamation of the Word

#### Reading One: Isaiah 25:6-8

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

*For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.*

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 Reading: Luke 24:1-12

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he*

*was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.*

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

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:***  
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:***

Prayers for Easter *The Rev. Gail Rodger*

Easter Reflection

Collect

Let us pray,

Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

Musical Sending: *I Feel the Winds of God Today*

(Text: Jessie Adams 1863-1954, English Melody traditional Public Domain)

*I feel the winds of God today;  
today my sail I lift,  
though heavy oft with drenching spray  
and torn with many a rift;*

*if hope but light the waters crest,  
and Christ my bark will use,  
I'll seek the seas at his behest  
and brave another cruise.*

*It is the wind of God that dries  
my vain regretful tears,  
until with braver thoughts arise,  
the purer brighter years;  
if cast on shores of selfish ease  
or pleasure I should be,  
Lord let me feel your freshening breeze  
and I'll put back to sea.*

*If ever I forget your love  
and how that love was shown,  
lift high the blood-red flag above,  
it bears your name alone.  
Great pilot of my onward way,  
you will not let me drift  
I feel the winds of God today,  
today my sail I lift.*

### Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**



### 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.





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