April 28, 2024

10am

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER





Loving God. Loving People. Growing in Christ Together.

Presiding:

The Reverend Brian Suggs

Assisting:

The Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron

Natania Friesen

#### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

We are a Christian community which celebrates and enacts the love of God in our common life of prayer and service in this neighbourhood.

Children are full members of our church and we welcome their presence and participation in our worship.

Please feel free to sit at any time during the celebration.

Prelude: Balletto del granduca J. Sweelinck

Opening Hymn: Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (381)

Tune: Praise My Soul

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; To His feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing. Alleluia, alleluia, Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor To our forebears in distress; Praise Him still the same as ever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless; Alleluia, alleluia, Glorious in His faithfulness.

Fatherlike he tends and spares us, Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes: Praise Him, praise Him, alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish, Blows the wind and it is gone; But while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on. Alleluia, alleluia, Praise the high eternal one.

Angels, help us to adore him; You behold Him face to face; Sun and moon bow down before him, Dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia, Praise with us the God of grace.

Welcome:

The Easter Greeting:

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you!

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Collect for Purity:

Presider: Almighty God,

*All*: to you all hearts are open,

all desires known,

and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

Presider: Let us pray.

Silence is kept

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Prayer for our Young People:

Children and Youth leave for their Faith Formation programmes.

*Presider:* May our Lord Jesus bless you as you meet him in the Scriptures.

*Please* be seated.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in Scripture

First Reading:

Acts 8:26-40

Reader: Doug Colbourne

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Acts.

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:24-30
Confitemini Domino

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

Please remain seated.





Music: J. Berthier Taizé Community © GIA Publications

#### Verses:

My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship\_him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Those who seek the Lord shall praise\_him for ever. (R)

All the nations worship him,.
For kingship belongs to the · Lord;
To him alone all bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall be-fore\_him. (R)

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall · serve\_him; they shall be known as the Lord's forever,.

They shall come and make known to a people · yet un-born the saving deeds that · he\_has done. (R)

## Second Reading:

1 John 4:7-21

Reader: Evelyn Clarke

Reader: A reading from the first letter from John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation 715:

Alleluia

(v. 1 and 2)

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia...

The Word of the Lord lasts forever, What is the Word that is living? It is brought to us through His Son Jesus Christ. (*Refrain*)

The Gospel: **John 15:1-8** 

Gospeller: The Rev. Deacon Jennifer Cameron

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,

according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospeller: Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown

away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia...

Sermon:

The Reverend Brian Suggs

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Please stand as you are able.

The Apostles' Creed:

*Presider*: I invite those who would like to make a profession of Christian faith to join with me in the Apostles' Creed.

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

> I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Presider:* Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

Prayers of the People: *Intercessor: Joanne Colbourne* 

For the Church, those in authority, the world, our community, the sick and those in need, for the departed, and for the forgiveness of our sins.

#### Confession and Absolution:

Presider: The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins.

cf. Titus 2.11-14

Please kneel as you are able.

Presider: Father eternal,

People: Giver of light and grace,

we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

Presider: May the Father of all mercies

cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Peace:

Having prayed for God's grace and peace for us and the world, we offer an exchange of peace with one another.

*Presider:* The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples

and said, 'Peace be with you. 'Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. *John 20.19, 20* 

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE FUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: Blest Be The Tie (507)

Tune: Dennis

It's during the singing of this hymn that we give back to God from what God has given us. You can use an offering envelope or give via e-transfer: etransfer@allsaintskingsway.ca

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Jesus' love; The fellowship of Christian minds is like to that above.

Before God's gracious throne we pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear; And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

One glorious hope revives our courage by the way, While each in expectation lives and longs to see the day.

When from all toil and pain and sin we shall be free, And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider: Gracious God, you show us your way and give us

your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the

name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving:



Presider:

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 sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy (732)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

## Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Presider:

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."

Presider:

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All:

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider:

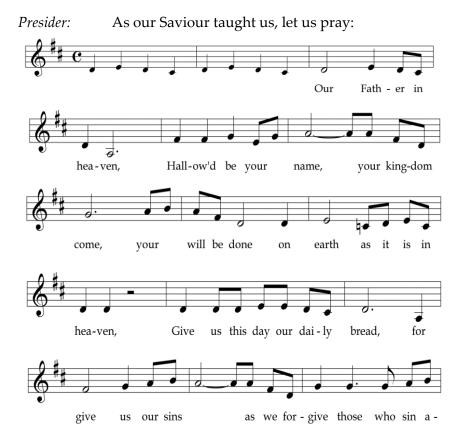
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

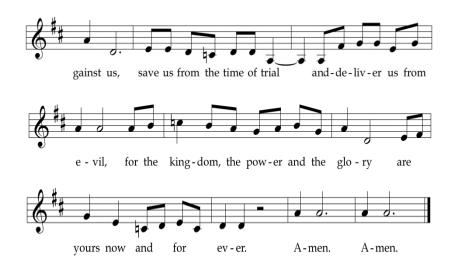
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

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 sons and daughters; 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 Father, now and forever. **Amen.** 

> The Lord's Prayer: Mass for the King of Glory Betty Pulkingham (b.1928)





## Breaking of the Bread:

*Presider:* Lord, we died with you on the cross.

*People:* Now we are raised to new life.

*Presider:* We were buried in your tomb.

*People:* Now we share in your resurrection.

*Presider:* Live in us, that we may live in you.

*Presider:* The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song for the Breaking of Bread:

All Shall Be Well (222)

Tune: Song 46

All shall be well,

For on our Easter skies.

See Christ the sun of righteousness arise.

Jesus alive! Rejoice and sing again; All shall be well forevermore, Amen!

Please he seated

### The Communion:

As we come to communion, we have reintroduced the common cup. No one should feel any pressure to partake; we just ask that as you come up, you either touch the base of the chalice as an act of acknowledgement or simply cross your arms across your chest and the chalice bearer will proclaim the words of acknowledgement. You are all welcome to the Lord's table. Please come knowing it is Christ himself who welcomes you and feeds you here.

Choral Anthem:
Cantate Domino
G. Pitoni

Cantate Domino canticum novum, Laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israel in eo, laetetur in eo, qui fecit eum Et filii Sion, et filiae Sion exultent in regesuo.

(Translation) Come ye with joyfulness, Come sing a new song, O Praise Him with the saintly congregation, Israel, be joyful and glad in Him, He who made Israel and children of Sion, be joyful, Rejoice and be glad in your King.

Prayer after Communion: *Please stand as you are able.* 

Presider: God of love,

in this eucharist we have heard your truth

and shared in your life.

May we always walk in your way,

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### THE SENDING OUT

We now go into the world declaring the good news of Jesus Christ

The Doxology:

Presider: Glory to God

All: 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,

forever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Parish Announcements:

Please stand as you are able.

The Blessing:

Presider: The God of hope fill you with all

joy and peace in believing;

and the blessing of God Almighty,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you

and remain with you always.

Amen.

## Closing Hymn:

#### Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (397)

Tune: Nettleton

Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light.
Praise the One who frees the prisoners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel,
Healing every dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands
With the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons With a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the One true love incarnate: Christ who suffered in our place. Jesus died and rose for many That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done. Praise the One who makes us one.

The Dismissal:

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude:

\*REMINDER\* - There will be ONE service next Sunday, May 5 at 10am. The 8am and 1pm services will resume on Sunday, May 12.

Fathers Patrick and Brian along with Natania Friesen, our Lay Pastoral Associate, will be attending the Alpha Leadership Conference in London. Pastoral care will be provided by The Rev. Deacon Jennifer Cameron in our absence. She can be reached at 416-233-1125 or at her confidential email - deacon@allsaintskingsway.ca.





#### 42nd ANNUAL SPRING SALE

Yes, it's time to start thinking "Spring Sale". Our sale will be held this year on Saturday, May 4th from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. We will be accepting donations as of SUNDAY, MARCH 31st.

In order to be successful we need to concentrate on the things that sell well:

Clean, gently-used clothing; treasures; collectibles; vintage items; books (but no text books or coffee table books); cd's, dvd's (but no VHS tapes); jewellery; <a href="mailto:small">small</a> furniture (no dining room sets, couches, chests of drawers, beds); toys and games; pictures (but no picture frames); lamps; <a href="mailto:small">small</a> electrical appliances; house wares and kitchenware; sports equipment and bicycles.

Please do not donate tools or electronic equipment (other than flat-screen t.v.'s) and please do not donate Christmas items (these do not sell at this time of year).

Commencing Sunday, March 31 until Sunday, April 28 items can be dropped off on the auditorium stage during the following times:

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Oh yes, BOXES, BOXES...We need lots of **liquor store boxes** to store donations in, after we have sorted them. Most outlets will give you 4 or 5 at a time and you don't even have to buy something!

# The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of Wyn & Bruce Weppler, given by their family

and

of Jenn Stephen, given by the community of All Saints Kingsway

Please notify the Clergy
if you know of anyone who is ill
or otherwise in need of pastoral care.
Such information is of great assistance to the Clergy,
as they endeavour to minister to parishioners.

Reader: Doug Colbourne and Evelyn Clarke

Sides Team: 5 Chancel Team: 3

Chalice: Kris Morra and Joan Sinclair

Gospeller: The Rev. Deacon Jennifer Cameron

Intercessor: Joanne Colbourne
Production: ASK Tech Team

Incumbent: The Reverend Dr. Patrick McManus

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Deacon Associate: The Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron

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