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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 27, 2025 • 10:00 AM

*Welcome to St. John's, Shaughnessy!  
Wherever you are on your spiritual  
journey, and whether you are joining us in  
the church building or via the livestream,  
we are glad you are here!*

*If you are new here and would like to learn  
more, please introduce yourself to the clergy  
after the service. If you would like to be  
added to our mailing list so that we may  
keep you informed of upcoming events,  
please contact the church office.*

*Infants and children (and their  
accompanying noises) enliven our services.  
Colouring, crafts, and quiet toys are  
available in the children's area, just to the  
left of the front pews.*

*We acknowledge with respect that we  
worship on the traditional, ancestral, and  
unceded territory of the Coast Salish  
Peoples, and we pray that we may live more  
deeply into the calls to action from Canada's  
Truth and Reconciliation Commission.*

*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids us all keep silence for prayer  
and preparation.*

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

PRELUDE

GREETING

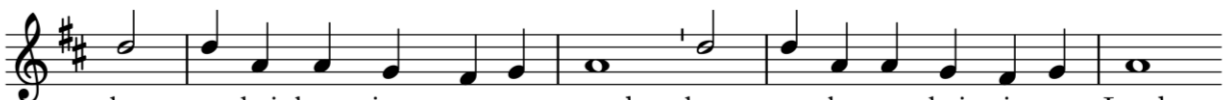
# THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



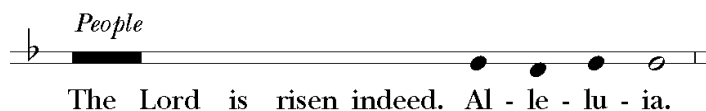
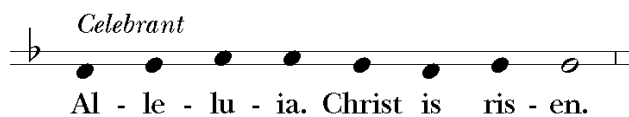
1. That Eas - ter - tide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fair - er light,
2. He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glo - rious wounds a - bide;
3. Je - sus, the King of gen - tle - ness, do thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess,
4. From ev - ery weap - on death can wield thine own redeemed for ev - er shield:



when, to their long - ing eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
the to - kens true which made it plain their Lord in - deed was risen a - gain.  
that we may give thee all our days the tri - bute of our grateful praise.  
O Lord of all, with us a - bide in this our joy - ful East - er - tide.



## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION



## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, 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.**

## KYRIE

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Herbert Howells

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Children are invited to follow their leaders to Godly Play. They will return to their families in time for Holy Communion.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING

Acts 5:27–32

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.” But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**


- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory  
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 “The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”
- 17 I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely,  
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- 20 “This is the gate of the Lord;  
he who is righteous may enter.”
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me  
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah!  
Lord, send us now success.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;  
we bless you from the house of the Lord.
- 27 God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
- 28 “You are my God, and I will thank you;  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.”
- 29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.

*A reading from the Book of Revelation*

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



1. Christ the Lord is risen a - gain! Christ hath bro - ken ev - ery chain!  
 2. He who gave for us his life, who for us en - dured the strife,  
 3. He who bore all pain and loss com - fort - less up - on the Cross,  
 4. He whose path no rec - ords tell, who de - scend - ed in - to hell;  
 5. Now he bids us tell a - broad how the lost may be re - stored,  
 6. Thou, our Pas - chal Lamb in - deed, Christ, to - day thy peo - ple feed;



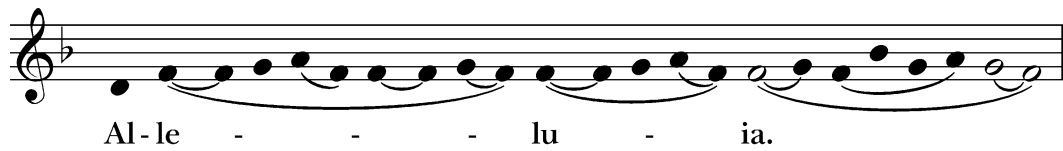
Hark, the an - gels shout for joy,  
 is our Pas - chal Lamb to - day!  
 lives in glo - ry now on high,  
 who the strong man armed hath bound,  
 how the pen - i - tent for - given,  
 take our sins and guilt a - way,



sing - ing ev - er - more on high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 We too sing for joy, and say Al - le - lu - ia!  
 pleads for us, and hears our cry. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now in high - est heaven is crowned. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 how we too may en - ter heaven. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 that we all may sing for ay, Al - le - lu - ia!

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Cantor sings the Refrain; then all repeat.*



*Cantor* Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. *Refrain*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19–31

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”



Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Karin Fulcher

*Please stand as you are able.*

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please stand or kneel, as you are able.*

In this season of joy and gladness, let us pray for the renewal of our hearts, our community, and the world, saying,

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you greeted the women at the tomb and asked them to tell the other disciples about your resurrection. Guide Christians everywhere to share the Good News in their lives. We pray for your Church throughout the world. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Anne, our Acting Primate; Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and John, our Archbishop. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean. In the Diocese of New Westminster, we pray for the parish of St. Philip, Vancouver; the Care+Share Outreach Program, and the Sorrento Retreat and Conference Centre.

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

You taught the disciples on the road to Emmaus and made yourself known to them in the breaking of the bread. Reveal yourself to us and all people through the teaching of your word and the celebration of your holy meal.

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

Lord, you said to your friends, "Peace be with you." Bring your peace to the world and to our own land.

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

You strengthened the faith of your friend, Thomas, by telling him to touch your hands and your side so he might believe. Reassure those who are troubled by doubts, and strengthen their faith in your goodness.

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you for your resurrection, through which you have promised us forgiveness of sin. Help us to live as you taught us, and to forgive one another as we have been forgiven.

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

You appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping. Comfort those who are lonely, grieving, or suffering (especially. . .).

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

Lord, you conquered death by your death and won the victory by your resurrection. Be with those who are dying, and lead them to life with you forever. We pray for all the departed (especially . . .).

Risen Lord:

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, “Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you.” Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY

*As the altar is prepared for Holy Communion, the congregation is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God’s generosity. A QR code is provided for those who prefer to donate online. During the collection, a hymn is sung.*





1. When Christ was ris - en from the dead and Tho-mas of the same was told,
2. Which tri - al he did un - der-take, and Christ his frail - ty did per-mit,
3. O bless - ed God, how wise thou art! And how confoundest thou thy foes!
4. Thus what - so - e'er he tempts us to, his dis - ad - vant-age let it be;



he would not cred-it it, he said, though he him - self should him be - hold,  
by his dis-trusting sure to make such oth - ers as might doubt of it:  
who their tempt-a-tions dost convert, to work those ends which they op - pose:  
yea, make those ver - y sins we do, the means to bring us near - er thee:



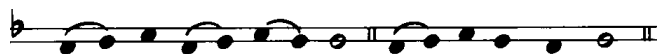
till he his wounded hands had eyed, and thrust his fin - gers in his side.  
so we had right, and he no wrong; for by his weak-ness both are strong.  
when Sa-tan seeks our faith to shake, the firm - er he the same doth make.  
yet let us not to ill con-sent, though col-oured with a good in - tent.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

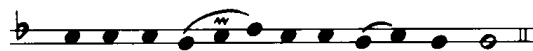
### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



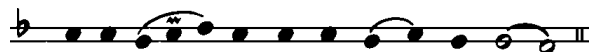
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT

Herbert Howells

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The Celebrant continues*

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, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

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 for ever. **Amen.**

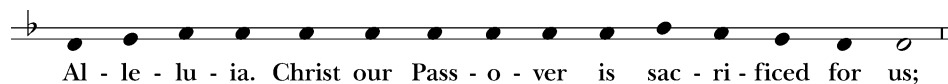
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

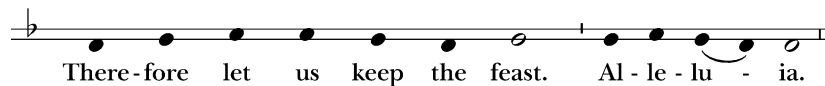
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*



*The People respond*



#### AGNUS DEI

Herbert Howells

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

## THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM      *Ego sum Alpha et O*      Anonymous, c.15th century

*Ego sum Alpha et O, primus et novissimus, Initium et Finis,  
qui ante mundi principium et in saeculum saeculi vivo in aeternum:  
manus meae, quae vos fecerunt, clavis confixae sunt;  
propter vos flagellis caesus sum, spinis coronatus sum;  
aquam terti pendens, et acetum porrexerunt in escam meam fel dederunt;  
et in latus lanceam, mortuus et sepultus, resurrexi, vobiscum sum.  
Videte, quia ego ipse sum, et non est Deus praeter me. Alleluia.*

*Ego sum vestra redemptio; ego sum rex vester;  
Ego vos resuscitabo in die novissimo.*

I am alpha and omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end,  
who from before the beginning of the world and unto the end of ages  
lives eternally.

My hands which made you have been pierced with nails.

For you I have been scourged with whips and crowned with thorns.

Hanging I asked for water; they offered me vinegar and gave me gall for  
my food.

I was speared in the side, I died and was buried; but I arose and am with  
you.

See, for I am he and there is no other God but me. Alleluia.

I am your redemption. I am your king. I will raise you up at the last day.

See, for I am he and there is no other God but me. Alleluia.

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

## THE 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 NOTICES

## THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**





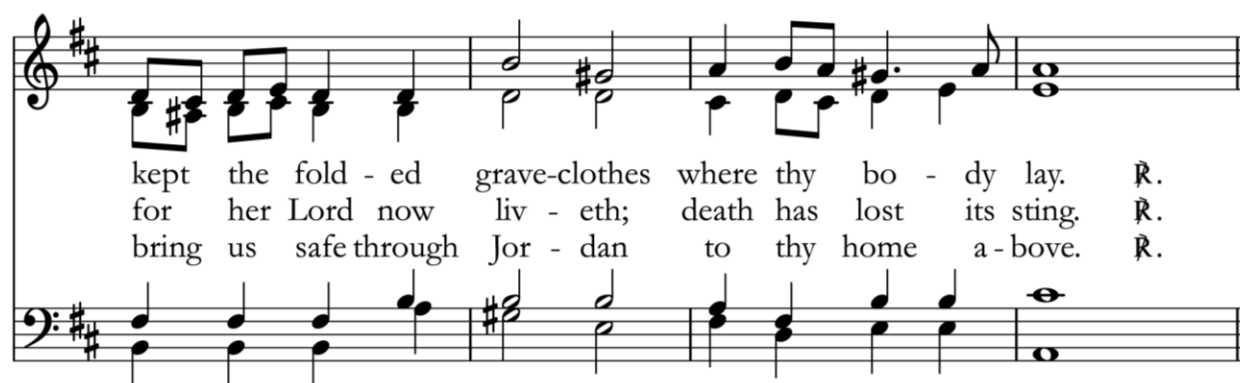
1. & R. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-que- ring Son,  
 2. Lo, Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb;  
 3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life;



end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.  
 lov - ing - ly he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom;  
 life is naught with - out thee: aid us in our strife;



An - gels in bright rai - ment rolled the stone a - way,  
 let the church with glad - ness, hymns of tri - umph sing,  
 make us more than con - querors, through thy death - less love;



kept the fold - ed grave-clothes where thy bo - dy lay. R.  
 for her Lord now liv - eth; death has lost its sting. R.  
 bring us safe through Jor - dan to thy home a - bove. R.

THE DISMISSAL

Let go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *Maccabaeus*

*Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. We hope you will join us for refreshments in the Trendell Lounge after the service.*



## ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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