ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE ANGLICAN CHURCH PERTH

The Fourth Sunday of Easter



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THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST

(Book of Alternative Services)

(Offerings may be placed in the plate located near the west entrance before the service or on your way up to Communion)

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: He Shall Feed His Flock (Handel)

Welcome one and all to this place of worship, fellowship, and service! After a time of greeting one another and picking up a service booklet everyone is encouraged to take a moment for quiet prayer and reflection.

We stand together to sing:

Processional Hymn Let Us Build a House vv. 1, 3, 5.

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

The presiding celebrant offers the land acknowledgment: "We acknowledge that we are worshipping today on unceded ancestral territory of the Algonquin people. God grant us to live in peace and friendship with all the peoples of this land."

and greets the community, saying:

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the blue of the sea and the sky.
Glory to God in the brown and the green of the earth.

Glory to God in the rainbow colours of people. Glory to God in the white light of Christ.

The Collect

Priest: Let us pray.

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

The Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned

today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

(ACTS 4:5-12)

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Lord's My Shepherd

(The Congregation will join in the refrain)

The Lord's my shepherd I'll not want, green pastures rise, and from the font,

Flow waters, ever gentle, to surround me.

My soul restored, my heart aflame, my feet will walk, and for that name

My heart will lift to sing out Hallelujah.

Refrain: **Hallelujah, Hallelujah Hallelujah, Hallelujah.**

In darkest valley I'll not fear, though evil threat be crouching near

Your presence always trusted to enfold me.

At banquet feast you bid me rest, disciples as your table quests,

My cup o'erflows with shouts of Hallelujah. Refrain.

Now goodness rests within my soul to follow all my days, behold

And mercy comes running to embrace me.

With love's refrain I shall obtain a dwelling place in God's new reign

Forever more to sing out Hallelujah. Refrain.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us - and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts. before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

(1 JOHN 3:16-24)

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Gospel.

The Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

St. John

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

(JOHN 10:11-18)

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Priest: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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.

Prayers of the People with confession We offer each petition saying, Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

For those who lead and Shepherd the Church of Christ, For those who guide the nations of the earth, that wisdom may reign, Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

For neighbour's needs, for shelter from the storm, for homes of peace, For those in sorrow, anguish, or despair, that they find hope, ... For Dorothy, Shirley, Lauren, Sylvie, Roy, Jan & Peter, John and Hilary (& for......); For the O'Neill family as they travel, and for all others who are in our hearts today.

Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

That we might live in peace from day to day, that wars may cease. For Haitians, Ukrainians, Afghans, Persians, Israelis, Palestinians, Syrians, and Sudanese peoples.

That we stay faithful, open to your Word, your Kingdom come, Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

That we may know your Light and feel You near To know the Way, we pray to you O Lord. Forgive us Lord for wrongs that we have done. For those we've hurt, for love we've left undone. Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

For all the dreams held deep within our hearts, for all our needs,....
Entrusting all we are into your hands, we call your name,
Lord, in your mercy.

Response: "Hear our prayer."

Absolution

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

(We greet one another in gesture and word without physical contact.)

The Celebration of the Eucharist The Preparation of the Gifts Offertory Hymn #620 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.

Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest, and king, my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.



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Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. *Amen*

The Great Thanksgiving Children's Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong. You made us and the whole universe, and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child. He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world, and clothe us with power from on high. And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends. He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

All Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

All Jesus Christ is risen.
Jesus Christ will come again.

All Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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The Lord's Prayer

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

All: 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

Silence

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb. All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Communion

All Baptised Christians are invited and encouraged to come to the Lord's Table to receive the bread and wine of communion. We will be offering the holy sacrament in both "kinds", sanitizing our hands before receiving the bread and the wine and afterward. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. Please indicate your desire to receive the sacrament by extending your hands in front of you and when the chalice is offered, touch only the base with your hands and guide it to and from your lips. Communicants may choose to receive both bread and wine or only the bread, or, come forward for a blessing. If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform Canon Ken of this when you arrive at the Altar Rail.

Communion Hymn Gentle Shepherd

(Tune: Gaiter)

Gentle Shepherd come and lead us For we need You to help us find our Way Gentle Shepherd come and feed us For we need Your strength from day to day
There's no other we can turn to who can help us
face another day
Gentle Shepherd _come and lead us _
For we need You to help us find our way.

#508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus and I drank of that lifegiving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

#512 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Communion Anthem: Green Pastures

(H. W. Vanhoose)

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Let us pray.

God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. *Amen*

Doxology

Priest: 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, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Blessing
A word from the Rector

Recessional Hymn Give Me Oil in My Lamp

Give me oil in my lamp; keep me burning; give me oil in my lamp, I pray. Give me oil in my lamp; keep me burning; keep me burning till the break of day.

Refrain: Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the Servant King; sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna, let us sing!

Give me joy in my heart; keep me praising; give me joy in my heart, I pray. Give me joy in my heart; keep me praising; keep me praising till the break of day. Refrain.

Give me peace in my heart; keep me loving; give me peace in my heart, I pray. Give me peace in my heart; keep me loving; keep me loving till the break of day. Refrain.

Give me love in my heart; keep me serving; give me love in my heart, I pray. Give me love in my heart; keep me serving; keep me serving till the break of day. Refrain.

Dismissal

Priest: Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Swingin' Shepherd Blues (Moe Koffman)

Please join us for coffee hour in the GSH following the service.

Prayers this Week

We pray for our sisters and brothers in the land of the Holy One.

<u>In our worldwide Communion</u> we pray for our sisters and brothers in The Anglican Church of Australia.

We pray for Justin of Canterbury, Linda our Primate, Anne our Metropolitan, Shane our Bishop, Kenneth our priest, and all who lead and serve in this parish.

<u>In our Canadian Church</u> we pray for The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Bishop Christopher Harper, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation.

In our diocese of Ottawa family we pray for the people of St. Columba's Church, Ottawa and all who minister there; for theological education, students, teachers, and field education supervisors; and for Liana and Karen preparing for their ordination.

We pray for all the members of our parish family; for all able to worship with us "in person" and for all who are worshipping with us remotely.

<u>We ask for God's Blessing</u> on Majors Gerald and Laurie Reilly and all the soldiers and members of the Salvation Army in Perth and Smiths Falls.

<u>We pray for Charles</u>, our King, Princess Catherine and all the Royal Family, and for all in authority, for Justin our Prime Minister, Doug our Premier and Judy our Mayor.

<u>We pray</u> that God would prosper and guide the CHIP affordable housing initiative, with favourable response by town and county leaders and an open partnership with neighbours.

<u>We pray that God</u> bless and guide the development of our community's new Hospice Hub and all who are involved in its leadership.

We pray for all who are in need of God's help & our care: Dorothy, Shirley, Lauren, Sylvie, Roy, Jan & Peter, John and Hilary; The O'Neill family as they travel, and all others who are in our hearts today. We pray for peace in Haiti, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Iran, Syria, and Sudan, for the peace of Jerusalem, Palestine & Israel and for all those who are in danger or afraid. **

We pray for the Peace and Rest for.... and for all who died this past night.

Living God, we thank you that through the resurrection of Jesus our lives and ministries are transformed. Give us humble and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have made known to us. May we be bold in serving you and bringing your Good News to our communities. Help us to share of ourselves and our possessions with one another and especially with people in need. Amen.

**(This prayer list will be offered each Sunday and weekday. At the end of each month, names will be removed unless otherwise requested.) Please make use of the weekly red prayer binder for all other prayer requests. Please let us know about members on their birthdays.

Leaders in our Worship Today

Altar Guild: Barb Yorke

Organist/Bassist: Peter Woodwark

Pianist: Val Leavitt
Flautist: Deborah Folkes

Server and Crucifer: Emma Stone Readers: Ethan Stone, Sid Stinson

Prayers: Raymond Madaba

Chalice Bearers: Liana Gallant, Ruth Geddes

Sidespeople: Pat Brown, Diane Gunning, Bev Latham, Claire Stone, Lucas Stone

Godly Play: N/A

Coffee: Sid and Angie Stinson

Sound:

Camera and Editing: Al Schoots
Duty Warden: Steve Mills

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Canon Ken Davis

Honorary Assistants: The Ven. John Fowler, The Rev. Peggy Kuzmicz

Pastoral Assistant: Liana Gallant

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Announcements

Readings for April 28th Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40, Psalm 22:24-30, 1 John 4:7-21, John 15:1-8

This week at a glance

Daily prayer and scripture reading takes place Tuesday through Friday in the worship space at 9 a.m.

Monday, April 22nd 1:30-3:30 p.m.: Wool Gatherers in the Crypt

Monday, April 22nd 6-9 p.m.: Men of the Tay in the Nave

Tuesday, April 23rd 9 a.m.: Connections in GSH, MR, kitchen

Tuesday, April 23rd 8 p.m.: AA in the crypt

Wednesday, April 24th 9:30 a.m.: Ken and Liana in the Nave

Wednesday, April 24th 6-9 p.m.: Women of the Tay in the Nave

Thursday, April 25th 9-1 p.m.: ConnectWell Good Food for

Healthy Babies group: Annex, kitchen

Thursday, April 25th 10 a.m.: Capital Working Group meeting MR

Thursday, April 25th 7-9 p.m.: Choir rehearsal Nave and AW

Thursday, April 25th 8 p.m.: AA in the Crypt

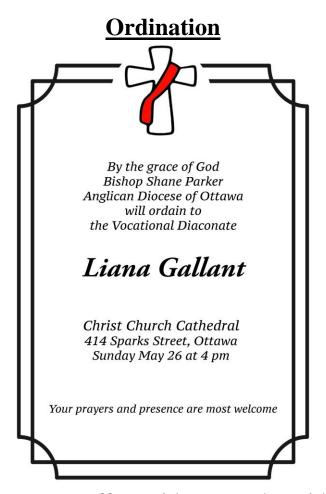
Thursday, April 25th 8 p.m.: Al Anon in the MR

Community Children's Choir

"The Community Children's Choir now has a name! We have decided upon <u>The Valley Youth Singers!</u> We are presently hoping for a Diocese outreach grant to help us get started financially. The choir's start-up time is

planned for early October. We will keep you posted!"

Val and Helen



If anyone can offer a ride or needs a ride to the cathedral, please let Ken know.



You are warmly invited to join Canon Ken and the parishioners of St. James the Apostle Anglican Church when Liana serves as Deacon for the first time.

> Sunday June 2, 2024 10 am 12 Harvey Street, Perth

Reception to follow.

Can you help move risers?

I need two volunteers to assist me in moving eight risers from the men's choir room to the bottom of the stairs where the chairs are stored.

I can be contacted at steve steve

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who helped with another successful community dinner: Felice, Steve, Al & Marion, Valerie, Joyce, Barb, Charlie, Barrie, Karla & Nick, Jan, Carol, and Flora.