



The Anglican Parish of Christ Church
The Third Sunday of Easter

Service of Holy Eucharist, 10:00am, April 14, 2024

We are Treaty people of Treaty 6 Territory; a covenant between Nations, witnessed by the Creator. We commit ourselves to the sharing of this land and its sacred gifts together in peace by welcoming all peoples and genders in the spirit of Treaty and wâhkôhtowin, as all our relations.

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bill and Matthew Myles from Betty Myles.

Welcome to Christ Church

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask our sides people.

All kids are welcome to come forward for the children's talk and afterwards to join our volunteers for Sunday School. Restrooms and the nursery are in our hall (accessed through the side door to the right of the brass eagle lectern).

Prelude: O Sons and Daughters - Michael Bedford

Processional Hymn: #228 Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters vs. 1-4, 9
(Please stand)

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Gloria: #366 Glory, in the Highest Glory

The Collect

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Children's Talk

First Reading: Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 4

Refrain:

Anthony Teague

In the night I can take my rest, you a-lone keep my life se-cure

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

"You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory;
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?" **R**

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;
when I call upon the Lord, I will be heard.

Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. **R**

Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord.
Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!"
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. **R**

You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R**

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sins is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn: #224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice vs. 1-3

The Gospel Reading

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
 St. Luke (24:36b-48).

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

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

The Gradual Hymn: #224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice vs. 4-5

Celebrant 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.

The Prayers of the People

Prayer Cycle: Diocese of Moosonee: the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop (Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario). The retired clergy of the Diocese of Edmonton: Sandra Arbeau; Aubrey Bell (s. Hilda); Maralyn Benay; Kathy Bowman (s. David Kinloch); Gwen Bright; Penny Bruce; Carol Canton; Joanne Chambers (s. Don); Rick Chapman (s. Bernedene); Eileen Conway. Buyé Diocese, Mwumba Parish: Simion Kinono, Rector; Frederic Miburo, Associate Priest. Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #341 God of Mercy, God of Grace

Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant Creator of all,

All you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the

resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #3 BAS, pg. 198

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth...Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heave, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

#719 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation...Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all...all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Lord, we have 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.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Please come forward to receive communion. You may receive both the bread and the wine, or if you prefer, you may receive in one kind only, the bread. Intinction (dipping the bread) is not permitted. A gluten free option is available. To receive a blessing from the priest in place of communion, please come up to the communion rail and cross your hands over your chest.

Music During Communion

Agnus Dei: #745 Lamb of God

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

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

Choir: When Christ Broke Bread - Carol Muehlig

Communion Hymn: #232 Jesus Is Risen from the Grave vs. 1, 5, 6, & 7

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Author of life divine,

All in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Doxology

Celebrant 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

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #231 That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: That Eastertide with Joy was Bright - Gerhard Krapf

Readings for Next Sunday: Acts 4:5-12, 1 John 3:16-24, John 10:11-18

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Announcements



Parish Potluck and Movie Night on Friday, April 19 at 5pm.

There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall (number of people and item you wish to bring to share such as main, appetizer, salad, or dessert). Please also bring cards or a board game to play after eating or you are invited to watch a family friendly movie.

Join your parish family for this fun evening!

You Are Invited: Listening in the Spirit as a Diocese

Bishop Steve, together with every parish in the diocese, is embarking on a journey to create a strategic plan for the diocese. The first part of this journey will be a listening exercise to see where we are currently as a diocese as we discern our future together. Please watch the following video: <https://vimeo.com/922984005>

Stitches Group on Wednesday, April 17 at 1pm meets in the lounge. Bring along your project and enjoy tea/dessert and wonderful conversation.

Clergy Comings and Goings

Rev. Sue will return to the parish starting on May 1st on a part-time basis building up to full-time over a two month period. Please continue to hold her in prayer as she prepares to transition back to work. Corporation would like to thank Rev. Ruth for her ministry and leadership over the past four months. Please join us on Sunday, April 28 at both the 8am and 10am Holy Eucharist when we will thank Rev. Ruth for her presence at Christ Church as this will be her final Sunday with us.

Volunteer Appreciation Sunday

On Sunday, April 21, Christ Church will celebrate our second annual Volunteer Appreciation Sunday to coincide with National Volunteer Week. The theme this year is:

Every Moment Matters!

The diverse forms of sharing of our time, talents, and energy strengthen the fabric of our community and provide a welcoming home for those seeking a faith community.

On behalf of Archdeacon Sue, Tammy-Jo, Mark, Karianne, and Ron, I want to express our appreciation to all who faithfully serve Christ Church. Please join us after our 10am service on Sunday, April 21, when the clergy and staff will host the coffee social in your honour.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Ruth

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;
and there are varieties of activities,
but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”

1 Corinthians 12:4-7

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