The Anglican Parish of Christ Church



The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday

Service of Holy Eucharist, 10:00am, March 31, 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.

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. Our nursery is available for children from 0-4 years of age. For older children, we have colouring pages in activity boxes available by the main doors. Restrooms and the nursery are in our hall (accessed through the side door to the right of the brass eagle lectern).

Please note that the children are invited to ring their bells whenever "Alleluia" is said or sung.

Prelude: The Trumpet Shall Sound - G. F. Handel

Processional Hymn: #203 Jesus Christ is Risen Today (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.

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 for ever.

All: Amen.

Children's Activity, The Flowering of the Cross

First Reading: Acts 10: 34-43

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."

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

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24: On this Day the Lord Has Acted



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures forever." R The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!

The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! R

I shall not die but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. R

Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them, I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter." R

Second Reading: Corinthians 15: 1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you - unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

The Gradual Hymn: #405 Alleluia No. 1 Refrains & Verses 1 & 2

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. John (20:1-18).

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the

tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gradual Hymn: #405 Alleluia No. 1 Refrains & Verses 3 & 4

(Sidespeople will collect the bells.)

Sermon

The Reverend Ruth Sesink Bott

Celebrant

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

Αll

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: Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh: the Rt. Rev. Lydia Mamakwa, Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Isaiah Larry Beardy, Suffragan Bishop for the Northern Manitoba Area Mission. Lay Readers and Lay Evangelists in parishes throughout the Diocese of Edmonton. Buyé Diocese, Murehe Parish: Jean Boniface Minani, Rector. Métis Nation of Alberta.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #404 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant God our strength and salvation,

All Receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the 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 sins of the world: have mercy on us.

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

Choir: Alleluia, Praise! - Luigi Cherubini, arr. Douglas Wagner

Congregational Hymn: #242 This is the Feast of Victory

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant God of life,

ΑII

Bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

The Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

ΑII

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: #206 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! ΑII

Postlude: Rondeau - Jean Joseph Mouret

Readings for Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35, 1 John 1:1-22, John 20:19-31

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Announcements

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

Parish Potluck and Movie Night on Friday, April 19 at 5pm. Mark your calendars to join your parish family for this fun event. More details to follow.

Thank you to Joel Gray, who played the trumpet during our service, for adding to the joyousness of our Easter celebration.

Please note: the office will be closed on Mon. April 1 and Tues. April 2.