

St. PAUL'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH



A Parish of
The Diocese of
New Westminster
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION VIA FACEBOOK LIVE

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – SERVICE OF THE WORD
APRIL 19, 2020 AT 11.00 AM

BEFORE THE SERVICE

Welcome to our Online Service.

In preparation, you may want to think about posture and your environment at home. You may find it helpful to light a candle, place or hold a cross...whatever is helpful.

Music performed by Dr Greg Caisley & Yi Zhou

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE *That Eastertide with joy was bright*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Celebrant gives the Announcements and welcomes everyone. A Territorial acknowledgement that we worship on the traditional unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh is made.

HYMN **"Be Thou My Vision"**

*Be Thou My Vision oh Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else to be save that Thou art,
Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Waking or Sleeping, Thy presence my light,*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word,
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord,
Thou my great Father and I Thy true child,
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one,*

*Riches I heed not, no man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance through all my days,
Thou and Thou only the first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art,*

*High king of heaven, when the battle is done,
Grant heaven's joys to me, Oh bright heav'n's Son,
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, Oh Ruler of all*

THE GREETING

Minister The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all

All **And also with you.**

Minister Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought
us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your
goodness and to ask your blessing.
Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past,
and your purpose in the week to come;
through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Minister Dear friends in Christ,
as we turn our hearts and minds
to worship almighty God,
let us confess our sins.

All **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Minister Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Minister 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.

All Amen

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS (21:4a, 22-32)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law.

But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

THE GOSPEL

Reader +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
All **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. JOHN 20:19-31

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

After the Homily there will be a period of time for reflection.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Minister Let us confess our faith as we say,
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.**

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

These or similar prayers are offered.

Intercessor O God our Healer, show your compassion for the whole human family that
is in turmoil and burdened with illness and with fear.
Hear our cry, O God,
All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Come to our aid as the coronavirus spreads globally, heal those who are
sick, support and protect their families and friends from being infected.
Hear our cry, O God,
All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Grant us your spirit of love and self-discipline so that we may come
together, working to control and eliminate the coronavirus.
Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Make us vigilant, attentive, and proactive in the eradication of all diseases, malaria, dengue, HIV & AIDS, and others [may be named outloud or in silence]... that create suffering and often result in death for many people. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Heal our self-centeredness and indifference that makes us worry only when the virus threatens us, open ways beyond timidity and fear that too easily ignore our neighbour. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Strengthen and encourage those in public health services and in the medical profession care-givers, nurses, attendants, doctors, all who commit themselves to caring for the sick and their families.

Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Inspire, give insight and hope to all researchers focused on developing a vaccine. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Sustain all workers and business owners who suffer loss of livelihood due to shut-downs, quarantines, closed borders, and other restrictions...

protect and guard all those who must travel. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the leaders of the nations that they speak the truth, halt the spread of misinformation, act justly and with humble hearts so that all may know healing. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Heal our world, heal our bodies, strengthen our hearts and our minds, and in the midst of turmoil, give us hope and peace. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Hold in your gentle embrace all who have died and who will die this day. Comfort their loved ones in their despair. Hear our cry, O God,

All **Listen to our prayer.**

Intercessor Remember all your family, the entire human race, and all your creation, in your love.

All **Amen!**

Taizé O Lord hear my prayer

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
when I call answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
come and listen to me.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Minister 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.**

Minister May Christ,
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of Life,
be with you always.

All Amen.

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
All **Thanks be to God**

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