

Quote of the Week



Called to Serve

Service Time: Sunday, April 11, 11AM

Clergy

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Visits - If you know of someone in this Parish who is sick or shut-in and would like a visit, please let us know! Rev Wendy would love to visit.

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St. James Anglican Church

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

Service of Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: Jerusalem the Golden RB-184

The Grace

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

People: And also with you.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: 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

The Collect for the Day:

(Together) 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

First Reading: Acts 4: 32-35

Psalm 133

¹ Oh, how good and pleasant it is, * when brethren live together in unity!

² **It is like fine oil upon the head that runs down upon the beard,**

³ Upon the beard of Aaron, * and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

⁴ **It is like the dew of Hermon * that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

⁵ For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: * life for evermore.

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(Together) Creator of the universe, from whom all things come, to whom all things return, give your people such unity of heart and mind, that all the world may grow in the life of your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Second Reading: 1 John 1: 1-2: 2

Gradual Hymn: Faith of our Fathers RB-187

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

People: 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

Vestry Meeting – Next Sunday, April 18 downstairs after the service. Mask and social distancing. Snacks will be available.

HOW SHALL WE FORGIVE?

Re-discovering The Way Through

An Eastertide series webinar
with Archbishop David Edwards
and Archbishop Mark MacDonald
Mondays, April 19 - May 17, 7:00pm

- April 19: Creation and the Fall (the human offence) and its effects
- April 26: God's answer in Christ, His Atonement, and the effects of the Resurrection
- May 3: The new life and a different perspective: the offender, not just the offended, seeks reconciliation
- May 10: The new life: applying 'forgiveness principles' and doing things differently
- May 17: The new life: applying 'forgiveness principles' and living differently in creation

A Q&A will follow each talk.

All are welcome.

Prayers of the People
The Second Sunday of Easter
April 11, 2021

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Prayer Shawls Available – Please just ask if you would like a prayer shawl to give to someone you know who is struggling in any way. Prayer shawls can also be given for happy occasions such as weddings, birth of a baby, moving to a new job or location. There is no charge for prayer shawls. Please ask Rev Wendy, Loretta or Donna.

Collecting socks, mitts, hats, hoodies, jackets for our monthly breakfast at St Georges. Please place donations in the basket in the vestibule. Your generosity makes a difference! Thanks so very much for your continued generosity!

Our monthly brown bag breakfast at St George's continues.
Next one is Sat, April 17.

Food Bank Sunday – First Sunday of the Month. Thanks for your donations and continued support!!!

Priest: Through the incarnation, death and resurrection of Jesus, God brings a new gift of peace into the world. Let us offer our prayers with thankful hope, saying: God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Reader 1: Loving God, you have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in Christ. In the church we pray for David our Archbishop, Brent our Archdeacon, Wendy our priest and all in leadership roles. May they lead us to understand the love of Jesus and His message. Bless your Church and her members as we labour in your vineyard, that we may be fruitful, as we live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel, and live faithfully in your loving presence. Breathe your Holy Spirit upon your Church, O Gracious One, that we may be of one heart and soul, live together in unity, and bring the light of your reconciling gospel of forgiveness and peace to the whole world. God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Reader 2; Inspire the leaders of our nation and all in authority throughout the world with the breath of your peace, that they may share their possessions with the poor and bring justice and comfort to all who live in fear or need. God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Reader 3: Be present to any who huddle fearfully behind closed and locked doors and let the healing touch of the wounded Jesus come to comfort all who suffer anywhere on the earth. God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Reader 4: Let this community walk in your light and do our work of reconciliation, revealing the eternal life that was with the Father and has been revealed to us. God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Reader 5: Hear the cries of all who grieve like Thomas and of all who suffer from any form of anguish, illness or hurt, especially (Add Parish List); that they may touch the healing presence of the risen Christ. Complete our joy as we offer our words of thanksgiving to you. Receive into your eternal life all who have died, that they may have life in Christ's name. God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

(Together): **Oh, how good and pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity: Fill your people with the breath of your Holy Spirit, O God, and bring us the assurance of forgiveness, that we may be enlivened to participate in Christ's work of reconciliation on behalf of all the world, and share in his eternal life, here and now, and forevermore. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant; Most merciful God,

People: 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Musical Selection –

Prayer Over the Gifts:

(Together) 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.

Eucharistic Prayer #2

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: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,..... /to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: 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.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread

The Communion

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Musical Selection –

Prayer after Communion:

(Together). **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.**

Doxology:

Celebrant : Glory to God,

People: 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 Blessing

Announcements

The Dismissal

Joyful, Joyful We adore Thee (RB – 19)

Prayer Requests: Susan Goguen, Trisha Corner, Beth, Sharon, Myrna, Shellie