

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.*

Almighty God, **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.**

Opening Hymn: There Is a Green Hill Far Away (vs 1 &5) CP#202

There is a green hill far away,

Outside a city wall,

Where the dear Lord was crucified

Who died to save us all.

O dearly, dearly has he loved,

And we must love him too,

And trust in his redeeming blood,

And try his works to do.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:12-19

12 When Peter saw it, he 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 him

walk? 13 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. 14 But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, 15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 16 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

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

²How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?

³But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him.

⁴When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent.

A Reading from 1 John 3:1-7

3 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. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

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him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. 17 "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. 18 In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. 19 Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

⁵Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

⁶There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"

⁷You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound.

⁸I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵

Service of the Word, Online

You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him

or known him. ⁷Little 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Peace and Joy (vs 1-2)

- Bish. E.H. Bickersteth, 1875

Peace, perfect peace,
in this dark world of sin?
The blood of Jesus
Whispers peace within.

Peace, perfect peace,
By thronging duties pressed?
To do the will of Jesus,
this is rest.

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Luke 24:36b-48

³⁶While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?"

³⁹Look 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."

⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything

here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then 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." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them,

"Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn (cont'd): Peace and Joy (vs 5) - Bish. E.H. Bickersteth, 1875

Peace, perfect peace,
Our future all unknown?

Jesus we know,
and he is on the throne.

Homily:

Gilles Haché

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, 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.**

Prayers of the People

John Howard

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
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.**

Glory to God,
***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

Closing Hymn: Yours Be the Glory, (vs 1&2)

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Yours be the glory,
risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory
over death you won.
Angels robed in splendour
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave clothes
where your body lay.

***Endless is the victory
Over death you won.***

2. See! Jesus meets us
risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us
scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord is living;
death has lost its sting!
Refrain.

Refrain

***Yours be the glory,
Risen, conquering Son:***

Dismissal Go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

(We invite you to hold all on our list in your prayers for the coming week.)

The Diocese: We hold in our prayers the people and clergy of: All Saint's Church, Mount Pleasant; St. James Church, Paris; St. Paul's Church, Port Dover; Trinity Church, Simcoe.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Carol Norton, Ed & Marilyn Ormsby, Ken & Carol Ormsby; and all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Bill, Charlie, Erin, Howie, Jason, John, Mike, Paul, Patsy, Ruth, Sandra, Simon, Steve, Theresa, Tyler, Vicki, Wayne, Wayne P., Wilma and any others who are in need of our prayers.

**Next Sunday: April 25, 2021, Fourth Sunday of Easter
Liturgy of the Word, Online & Videotaped**

To watch previously videotaped services – watch [here](#)
or <https://christchurchanglican.ca/sermons/>

Presider & Homilist:	Francis Richardson	Lay Reader: John Howard
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Vocalist:	Victoria Alcock	Videography: Nathan Postings
Readings:	Acts 4:5-12	
	Psalm 23	
	1 John 3:16-24	
	John 10:11-18	