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Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

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WE GATHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST IN THIS PLACE

We acknowledge with gratitude and humility that St. John's is located on land that is traditional territory of the Coast Salish People. We are grateful for the heritage of the Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish, Kwikwetlem, and Musqueam Nations. We in the Diocese of New Westminster continue to search and pray with Indigenous brothers, sisters, and friends for truth, justice, and reconciliation.

Opening Hymn:

CP #203 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia! our triumphant holy day, alleluia! who did once, upon the cross, alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia! unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia! our salvation have procured; alleluia! now above the sky he's king, alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Text: Lyra Davidica, alt.

Welcome and Announcements

Memories of Coming to St. John's

Ruby Ng (10:00a.m.)

Opening Prayers

(we stand)

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.

Celebrant: As we gather on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish

Nations, let us pray that the Spirit's reconciling love will

be with us.

~ Silence ~

Glory to God (we stand)

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Easter Anthem:

CP #750 "Christ Our Passover"

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. *Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; Death no longer has dominion over him. The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So also consider yourselves dead to sin, and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall be made alive. *Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Collect of the Day:

(said by all)

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. Amen.

Children's Talk (10am service)

(we sit)

- The Rev. Deacon Anne Anchor

First Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

(said by all responsively)

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord who is good; *
 the mercy of the Lord endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, *

 "The mercy of the Lord endures for ever."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, * and has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous:

- 16 "The mighty hand of the Lord has triumphed! *
 the mighty hand of the Lord is exalted! the mighty hand
 of the Lord has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live, *
 and declare the works of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely, * but did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

 I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
 those who are righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to the Lord who answered me * and has become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing, *
 and it is marvellous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Together we pray...

Holy and mighty God, your Son's triumph over sin and death has opened to us the gate of eternal life. Purify our hearts that we may follow where he has gone and share in the radiance of his glory. We ask this for the sake of our risen Lord. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading:

Acts 10: 34-43

Hymn:

CP # 206 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (verses 1-3)

Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia! earth and heaven in chorus say, alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high; alleluia! sing, ye heavens, and earth reply: alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia! fought the fight, the battle won, alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? alleluia! Once he died our souls to save, alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley, alt.

The Gospel

Deacon: The Good News of Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

Deacon: The Good News of Christ!

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Miranda Sutherland

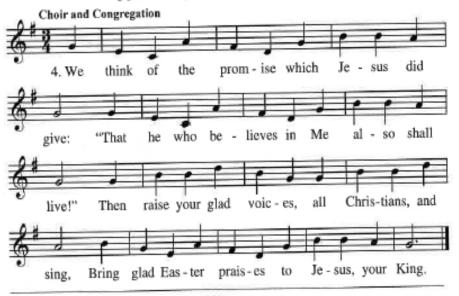
~ Silence ~

Choir Anthem: (10am service) (see page 7) "We welcome, Glad Easter" (with congregational participation on v4)

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We Welcome Glad Easter

- Choir: 1. We welcome glad Easter when Jesus arose,
 And won a great victory over his foes.
 Then raise your glad voices, all Christians, and sing,
 Bring glad Easter praises to Jesus, your King.
 - We tell how the women came early that day,
 And there at the tomb found the stone rolled away.
 Then raise your glad voices, all Christians, and sing,
 Bring glad Easter praises to Jesus, your King.
 - We sing of the angel, who said, "Do not fear!"
 Your Savior is risen, and he is not here."
 Then raise your glad voices, all Christians, and sing,
 Bring glad Easter praises to Jesus, your King.



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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

(we kneel, stand or sit)

We Share the Peace of Christ (we stand)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

(From ancient times, the Christian custom has been to greet each other as a sign of the peace we share through Christ. As Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers.")

WE CELEBRATE GOD WITH US IN HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn:

(we stand)

CP # 231 "That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright"

(We collect people's contributions to the ministry & mission of St. John's. We encourage you to give online as possible at stja.ca/supporting-st-johns)

That Eastertide with joy was bright; the sun shone out with fairer light, alleluia, alleluia! when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; alleluia, alleluia! the tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

From every weapon death can wield thine own redeemed forever shield: alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus, the king of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess, alleluia, alleluia! that we may give thee all our days the tribute of our grateful praise. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: Latin (Aurora lucis rutilat, part 3); tr. John Mason Neale, alt.

Prayer over the Gifts:

(said by all)

God our strength and salvation, 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

(we kneel, stand, or sit)

Eucharistic Prayer

BAS EP #3

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People:

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. People:

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

> (said by all) Sanctus:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. 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; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me," Therefore, Father, according to his command,

People:

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; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. 200 Holy Eucharist In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters: through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

(said by 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 Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross. **People:** Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

People: Now we share in your resurrection. Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Communion

(All who are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive: if you are baptized, we invite you to receive Communion; if you are not baptized, we invite you to receive a blessing.)

(Since the Eucharist is a corporate spiritual practice, please maintain a receptive and quiet attitude as others are receiving Communion. Listen to the music and treat this time as part of your Eucharistic meditation.)

(Wine is offered for those comfortable receiving it. Note: intinction [dipping the bread in wine] is not permitted in our Diocese. You are welcome to receive the bread alone if you wish, and to bring the bread back to your seat before consuming; if masked, feel free to stay masked.)

WE ARE SENT OUT AS BEARERS OF NEW LIFE

Prayer after Communion

(we stand) (said by all)

God of life, 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. 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.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing...

Recessional Hymn: (we stand) CP # 210 "Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son"

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.

Refrain: Yours be the glory, risen conquering Son:

endless is the victory over death you won.

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*

No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life: what is life without you? Aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through your deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to your home above. *Refrain*

Text: Edmond Louis Budry; Eng. tr. Richard Birch Hoyle, rev. Hymns for Today's Church.

Dismissal (we stand)

Response: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

The flowers at the altar today are given by Georgie Green to the glory of God & many thanks to all for many good wishes and blessings during my illness.

Thank you to those who assisted with the Services today:

Altar Guild: Entire Altar Guild Group

Counters: Ann Adair-Austin, Ron Lou-Hing

8:30 am Service

Intercessor & Coffee Hour: Ferne Malcolm Reader & Lay Assistant: Sharon Cooper

10:00 am Service

Ushers: Sue Meredith, Bonnie SooChan

Music: Gail Craig, The Choir

Reader: Georgie Green
Intercessor: Ann Adair-Austin

Lay Assistants: Debora Jones Akiyama, Ron Lou-Hing

Tech Team: Sheila De Vaal, Matthew Savage

Coffee Hour: Antoinette Woodman

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