

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am (Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Graham Goode

Lay Reader: Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher: The Rev. Graham Goode

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Deacon: The Rev. Julianne Hendrickson

Lay Reader: David McKeown and David Gravells

The Leadership Team at St Peters

*If you or someone you know is ill or in need of pastoral care,
please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.*

Please feel free to direct any inquiries, questions or concerns to one of the wardens.

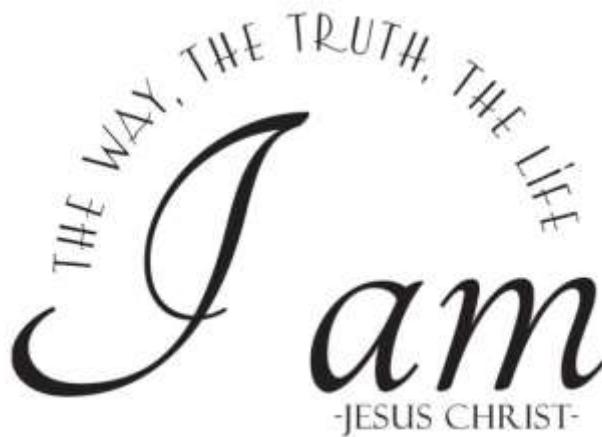
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May 25th, 2014

10:00 am



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The 50 Great Days of Easter

The feast of Easter is fifty days, from Easter Eve through the Day of Pentecost. During this season, "alleluia" (praise the Lord) is said or sung repeatedly, which contrasts sharply with the season of Lent when the alleluia was omitted. The large Paschal (Easter) Candle, which represents Christ, the light of the world, is lit from now until Ascension Day.

If you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Call to Silence

As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God. As its sounds fade away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.

Processional Hymn #224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
May his grace and peace be with you. **May Christ fill our hearts with joy.**

Transforming God, you have taken the world's darkness
and re-created a world filled with the joy of light and hope.

Come and hear the good news of God's love for all creation.

Restoring God, you have turned defeat into sudden victory,
and re-created a world filled with the joy of peace and shalom.

Come and hear the good news of God's awesome deeds.

Renewing God, we respond to your mighty deeds with songs
of praise, worship and thankful prayers. You alone are God!

Come and hear the good news of God's blessings on us all.

Glory and honour, power and dominion belong to God alone.

Amen.

The Gloria (Sung)

**Glory to God in the highest, 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.**

Collect

**Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond
 imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you
 above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can
 desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and
 the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Children's Time

Children are invited to come forward, then leave for Spirit Zone and return for Eucharist.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading: Acts 17: 22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown God.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which

he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 66: 1-5, 7-18, page 786 (BAS, green book)

Reading: 1 Peter 3: 13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Response: **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: #237 Now the Green Blade Rises

The Gospel Reading: John 14: 15-21

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the

Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

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

Homily: The Rev. Graham Goode

Synod and Un-Synod Reports – Caron Ross, Betty Nadurak

Prayers of the People

The Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you **and also with you. Alleluia.**

Offertory Hymn: #59 Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

The Prayer over the Gifts:

God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. **Amen**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer # 4, BAS p. 201

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #8, BAS p. 212

Agnus Dei (Sung)

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

All are welcome to join us at the Lord’s Table, including children. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer after Communion

Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **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

Go from here as witnesses of what you have seen and heard.
Share God's love with those you meet.
Bring hope to those who are in despair.
Live lives of gratitude and praise.
And may the love of God, the peace of Jesus Christ,
and the ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit
be within you and among you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #221 Alleluia, Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise

The Dismissal of the Community

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the the work of the Anglican Centre in Rome.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Michael's, Canmore, their Wardens, and their clergy, the Rev. Deacon Sean Krausert; and for the University Chaplains.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. James, Layou with St. Mary, Baccament, and their clergy, the Rev. Alric Skeritt.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Harold Romness, Connie Hill, Margaret Cull, Olive Holgate, Jocelyn Hutchinson, Allan Knobbe, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Doug, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Linda Greene, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Alison James, Julienne Hendrickson, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbourne, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Eileen Williams, Andrew Howe.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Caron Ross in thanksgiving for her recent Confirmation and for all the opportunities she has been given.

Arnold Williams is warden on duty today.