



Order of Service for April 26, 2020
Third Sunday of Easter
10:00 am
Service of Spiritual Communion
Officiating: The Rev'd Fergus Tyson



The Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: CP #415 All Things Bright and Beautiful (verses 1,3,4) (screens)

Easter Greeting (screens)

Collect of the Day (screens)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Then Peter, with the eleven standing by him, raised his voice and addressed them: “Fellow Jews, and all who are living in Jerusalem, listen carefully to what I say while I explain to you what has happened! “Now therefore the whole nation of Israel must know beyond the shadow of a doubt that this Jesus, whom you crucified, God has declared to be both Lord and Christ.” When they heard this they were cut to the quick, and they cried to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do now?” Peter told them, “You must repent and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ, so that you may have your sins forgiven and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For this great promise is for you and your children—yes, and for all who are far away, for as many as the Lord our God shall call to himself!” Peter said much more than this as he gave his testimony and implored them, saying, “Save yourselves from this wicked generation!” Then those who welcomed his message were baptised, and on that day alone about three thousand souls were added to the number of disciples

ACTS 2:14a, 36-41 (J.B. Phillips New Testament)

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Canticle 15 (screens)

The Holy Gospel

People: *Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

Then on the same day we find two of them going off to Emmaus, a village about seven miles from Jerusalem. As they went they were deep in conversation about everything that had happened. While they were absorbed in their serious talk and discussion, Jesus himself approached and walked along with them, but something prevented them from recognising him. Then he spoke to them, “What is all this discussion that you are having on your walk?” They stopped, their faces drawn with misery, and the one called Cleopas replied, “You must be the only stranger in Jerusalem who hasn’t heard all the things that have happened there recently!” “What things?” asked Jesus. “Oh, all about Jesus, from Nazareth. There was a man—a prophet strong in what he did and what he said, in God’s eyes as well as the people’s. Haven’t you heard how our chief priests and rulers handed him over for execution, and had him crucified? But we were hoping he was the one who was to come and set Israel free ...” “Yes, and as if that were not enough, it’s getting on for three days since all this happened; and some of our womenfolk have disturbed us profoundly. For they went to the tomb at dawn, and then when they couldn’t find his body they said that they had a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of our people went straight off to the tomb and found things just as the women had described them—but they didn’t see him!” Then he spoke to them, “Aren’t you failing to understand, and slow to believe in all that the prophets have said? Was it not inevitable that Christ should suffer like that and so find his glory?” Then, beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he explained to them everything in the scriptures that referred to himself. They were by now approaching the village to which they were going. He gave the impression that he meant to go on further, but they stopped him with the words, “Do stay with us. It is nearly evening and soon the day will be over.” So he went indoors to stay with them. Then it happened! While he was sitting at table with them he took the loaf, gave thanks,

broke it and passed it to them. Their eyes opened wide and they knew him! But he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, “Weren’t our hearts glowing while he was with us on the road, and when he made the scriptures so plain to us?” And they got to their feet without delay and turned back to Jerusalem. There they found the eleven and their friends all together, full of the news—“The Lord is really risen—he has appeared to Simon now!” Then they told the story of their walk, and how they recognised him when he broke the loaf.

LUKE 24:13-35 (J.B. Phillips New Testament)

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

Homily

Music for Reflection (screens)

(Source: <https://www.seandayton.com/liturgies>)

Affirmation of Faith (screens)

The Prayers of the People (screens)

(The people sit or kneel for the prayers.)

A Prayer of Healing (screens)

Prayer for the tragedy in Nova Scotia (screens)

(by the Most Reverend Linda C. Nicholls,
Archbishop and Primate)

PRAYER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 (screens)

(Source: <https://www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/in-days-of-uncertainty-coronavirus>), alt.)

Confession & Absolution (screens)

The Peace (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer (screens)

The Lord’s Prayer (screens)

Prayer for Communion (screens)

Prayer after Communion (screens)

Doxology (screens)

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #403 Let All Things Now Living
(screens)

Dismissal (screens)

Prayers for this Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we **pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.**

In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for **the Bishop Todd Townshend, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron** and in the Lutheran Church we pray for **the dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba West Area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod.**

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the parish of **St. Andrew, Gleichen, and for their incumbent Brad Everett.** We also pray for Sorrento Centre.

We lift to you our friends, in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands.

In our Parish Cycle, we **pray for the safety and well-being of all members of our Parish, and pledge to stay connected with one another and face the challenges of COVID-19 together; we remember our clergy, Fergus Tyson, Cyril Haynes, Norman Knowles, Bob Mummery, and their families; and we especially uphold all who are infirm, immune-compromised, or on the front lines in this battle.**

We pray for our foster child Desta Keweti.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you **the family of Joy (Abby's sister), the family of Barrin, Antony, Judy, the family of John, Crystal (niece of Rosemarie), Bill & Pat, for the family of Bob, the family of Carmen, John, the family of Bonnie, Gerald, Shannon's father, Molly (mother of Sian), the family of Simon, Stephen, Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin), Jo, the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers), the family of Joan (mother of Richard), Tracy, Roxie and the family of Andy, Julia, the Herritt family in their bereavement, Gael, Verna and her family, Michael, Barb, Jen, Patrick, the family of Helen, Eleanor, Lena, Dorothy, the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella), Max & Rebecca, Anne, Dozy's & Obie's family, Kathy, Kevin, Richard (friend of Anne), Terry, Jerrod, Lynne (sister of Sheila), the family of Ann & Peter, Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn), Dennis, Mike, Val, Martin, the family of Gwladys, Sheila, Melissa and her family, Adrianna, Peggy, Bob and Joanne, the family of Douglas, Michelle, Ian, the family of Nina, Pat, Christine, Rick (brother of Sheila), Gwen, Jacqueline, Ellen, Monika (mother of Dennis), Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne), Trudy (cousin of Iona), Len, Andrea's and Andrew's family, Margaret, Marlene and the family of James (father of Allison).**

We pray for containment of the COVID-19 coronavirus worldwide, and full restoration of health for all those who are ill with it.

We pray for all struggling economically, and all those affected by fires, floods, storms and other natural disasters. We pray for us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and for an end to violence throughout the world. In particular, we pray for those whose lives have been torn apart by the violence; safe haven for all who have fled their homes; repentance for the perpetrators of evil; and for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

We thank you for your healing touch which sustains us every day, for all the many healings that have taken place in our parish, and for your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Richard Gray & Colleen Eggertson in loving memory of Joan Gray who passed away at 92 in 2019.