

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

PARTNERING WITH ST. LUKE'S OTTAWA

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 25th, 2021

10.30 am Sung Eucharist (Livestreamed)
Service music: Communion Service – William Mathias

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Colonel (Retired) Arthur Harcourt Carington "Harky" Smith, MMM, SBStJ, CD, D. ScMil.

Prelude

Pastorale (on Psalm 23:1) - Percy Whitlock

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation – Westminster Abbey

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever three, and ever one, one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluig!

May his grace and peace be with you.

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.

Gloria

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 of the Day

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 4:5-12

A reading from the book of Acts.

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over. Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading 1John 3:16-23

A reading from the first letter of John

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us - and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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Gradual

Flocks in pastures green abiding – J.S. Bach

Flocks in pastures green abiding, safely with their Shepherd rest. Cool'd by waters gently gliding, flocks in pastures green abiding, safely with their Shepherd rest. With the food of life He feeds them, to the fold He gently leads them, there to dwell for ever blest.

Holy Gospel John 10:11-18

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I

am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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.

Easter Litany

Let us pray.

In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life saying, "Hear us, Lord of glory!"

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel; and that strong and prosperous churches may fully embody the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That the fire of the Holy Spirit may be sent upon God's people, that we may bear faithful witness to the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That we may be transformed by Christ's indestructible love and have the humility to be subject to one another in that love, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by Christ's power disease, war and famine will cease, and healing, peace, and mercy prevail in every land and heart, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by Christ's justice those who are in need may be nourished and strengthened by those that have abundance, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by Christ's compassion may those who suffer in these pandemic days be comforted and restored by the kindness of others, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by Christ's resurrection those who have died may share in eternal life and those who mourn may receive everlasting hope, especially praying for all who have lost loved ones during this pandemic and for Queen Elizabeth, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

Gracious God, receive our prayers and give us grace to serve the world you love with passion and conviction. This we ask in the name of our risen Saviour. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

Dear Shepherd of your people, hear - Stockton

Dear Shepherd of your people, hear, your presence now display; as you have given a place for prayer, so give us hearts to pray.

Within these walls let holy peace and love and concord dwell; here give the troubled conscience ease, the wounded spirit heal.

May we in faith receive your word, in faith present our prayers, and in the presence of our Lord disburden all our cares.

The hearing ear, the seeing eye, the humbled mind bestow; and shine upon us from on high, to make our graces grow.

We invite you to make an offering to the Cathedral at this time by sending an e-transfer to info@ottawacathedral.ca or by going to https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/5519. Thank you!

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. 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.

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,

we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

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.

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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,

who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion

Dear friends, wherever you may be, receive Christ; in communion with the saints and the gathering of God's people, unseen yet present with us now.

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls, and our strength; with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.

Agnus Dei

Communion Hymn

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless – St. Agnes

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless your chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.

We would not live by bread alone, but by your word of grace, in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.

Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart.

Lord, sup with us in love divine; your body and your blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prayer after Communion

God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this 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 and Dismissal

May the grace of Jesus Christ our risen Lord, the love of God who raised him from the dead, and the power of the Holy Spirit who fills the world with new life, bless and keep you, this day and always. **Amen.**

Go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Hymn

Christ is risen. Christ is risen – All Saints

Christ is risen, Christ is risen, tell it with a joyful voice; Christ has burst his three days' prison: let the whole wide earth rejoice! Death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.

Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted, with glad smile and radiant brow; Lent's long shadows have departed, all his woes are over now, and the Passion that he bore; sin and pain can vex no more.

Christ is risen, Christ is risen; he hath opened heaven's gate: we are free from sin's dark prison, risen to a holier state; and a brighter Easter beam on our longing eyes shall stream.

Postlude

Saraband for the morning of Easter – Herbert Howells

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READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

May 2nd, 2021 – The Fifth Sunday of EasterActs 8:26-40; Psalm 22:24-30; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

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