

St. Mary Anglican Church

Together in Christ, Sharing God's Love

May 16, 2021

Ascension Sunday



WELCOME



Prelude

"Christ is Alive"

Brian Wren / Thomas Williams

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"Hail the Day that See Him Rise"

Words Charles Wesley 1789, to the Llanfair tune

by Robert Williams SKU 19725 One License

"Alleluia No. 1"

Text and music Donald Fishel

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Sung Gloria

"Taizé Gloria in Excelsis Deo"

Jacques Berthier, SKU 07615 One License

Interlude

"Taizé Alleluia #7"

Jacques Berthier/ Taizé, GIA ©1982

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Reflection

"Once Again"

Words and music by Matt Redman

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Postlude

"Lion of Judah"

Words and music by Robin Mark

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Ascension Sunday Service

Celebrant: The Venerable Alan Naylor

Musician: Margaret Nelson

We gather today on the traditional lands of the Nanoose Bay First Nations.

Prelude

Welcome

Silence *(as we open our minds and hearts in preparation for worship)*

The Bell Rings

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord:
I am with you always, to the close of the age.

Matthew 28.19,20

We Gather

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

Celebrant: may his grace and peace be with you.

All: *May he fill our hearts with joy.*

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: *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.***

 **Sung** Gloria, gloria, in excelsis deo.
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

The Collect of the Day

Reading from scripture: Gospel Reading – Luke 24:44-53

Sermon

Contemplative  / *time to reflect*

Confession

Celebrant: As children of God and as sisters and brothers in Christ, we know the call to love God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and with all our strength; and to love our neighbour as ourself. Yet we also know that we sometimes fall short of those great commandments. God is steadfast in love and infinite mercy, let us confess our sin, confident in God's forgiveness.

All: *Merciful Lord, your Spirit hovered over the waters where diversity flourished. We confess our difficulty to live with legitimate differences. Forgive us those attitudes, words and actions which do harm to our unity in diversity. We confess that we have failed to listen to voices different from our own, failed to say words that bring healing and hope and failed to seek reconciliation where relationships are broken. We confess that we have not listened to your creation that cries out for healing and care, and we have not treated the earth with respect and care. In these and all our weaknesses, may your forgiving and transforming love restore us as your people. Amen.*

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you. Pardon and deliver you from all your sin, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Lord's Prayer

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.*

Blessing

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia!*



Postlude

