



***Welcome to the parish of
St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville B.C.***

**Sunday, April 7th, 2024
Low Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter
9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist
(Book of Alternative Services)**

Opening Sentence

Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. *(John 20:29)*

The Gathering Hymn CP #202 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Collect of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading

From the Acts of the Apostles *(Ch. 4: 32-35)*

Psalm 133

Refrain: How good it is for all to live together in unity.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, when brethren live together in unity! **R**

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It is like fine oil upon the head that runs down upon the beard.
Upon the beard of Aaron, and runs down upon the collar of his
robe. **R**

The dew of Harmon that falls the hills of Zion. For there the Lord
has ordained the blessing: life for evermore. **R**

The Second Reading

From the First Letter of John (*Ch. 1: 1-2:2*)

Gradual Hymn

CP#360 Bless the Lord, My Soul (*sung 3 times*)

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
(Ch. 20: 19-31)

Hymn CP #244 We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight

Offertory Hymn CP# 482 Come and Journey with a Saviour
(verses 1, 2, 3, 4)

Prayer over the Gifts

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a
kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you
this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn(s) during Communion

CP# 485 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

CP# 52 O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near

Prayer after Communion

Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn

CP# 210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son

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With special thanks to:

Caleb Lawrence for celebrating the Eucharist with us this morning. Anne Henderson, Don Gillett, Nicole McDaid, and Diane Elliott who served as greeter, reader, communion assistant and prayer leader.

*Your leadership, support and example are greatly valued and appreciated. **THANK YOU!***

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and to all mothers, by Diane Elliott

Announcements

April 12th & 13th: We Together Conference (Victoria)

April 17th: 8.30am Men's Breakfast (Country Grocer – Bowen Rd & Dufferin Cres.)

April 24th: Seniors' Coffee Morning (drop-in) 10.30am-Noon

May 4th: 9am-1pm Ladies Group Plant Sale

All event information (for the Parish and the Diocese) can be found on the St. Philips website (www.stphiliplantzville.ca)

In the Worldwide Anglican Community, we pray for:

The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria.

In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for: Anna, our bishop, and the Parish of St. Christopher & St. Aidan, Cowichan Lake – The Rev. Selinde Krayenhoff.

This week in our Parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for: Rod Foggett, John Garenkooper, Susan Gates, Mick Gibbs, Don Gillett, and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

UPCOMING SERVICE REMINDERS

Sunday April 14th, 2024, 9.30am
Third Sunday of Easter
Service of Morning Prayer (BCP)
Service Leader: Catherine Cembella

Sunday April 21st, 2024
Good Shepherd Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter
Service of Morning Prayer (BAS)
Service Leader: Doug Sowden

Sunday April 28th, 2024, 9.30am
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Service of Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: The Rev. Rosemary Mathews