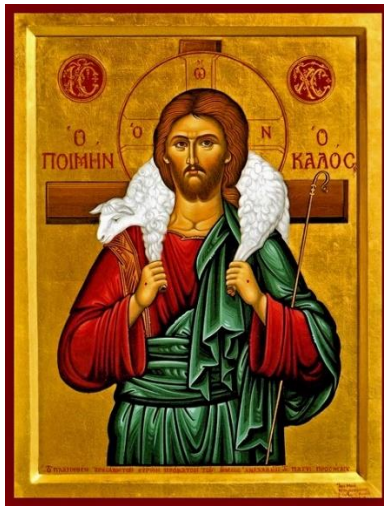


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THE HOLY EUCHARIST



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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude: With High Delight~~M.Burkhardt

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: 224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

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1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice, let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice, and on his praises dwell.

2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise the saints their Saviour greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes but by his hands and feet:

3 those hands of liberal love indeed in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed for millions and for me.

4 His enemies had sealed the stone as Pilate gave them leave,
lest dead and friendless and alone he should their skill deceive.

5 O Dead arise! O Friendless stand by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command your host from heaven restored!

Land Acknowledgement and Easter Greeting

One: Dear friends, we gather on traditional Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

All: May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

One: In a spirit of reconciliation, may we always seek to respect the history,
spirituality, and culture of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit.

**All: May we do all in our power to support all efforts to establish an
equal presence on this land.**

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

One: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Collect for Purity

One: 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.**

Gloria

**All: 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.**

The Collect of the Day

One: 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 (Janet Hemings)

One: 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?"

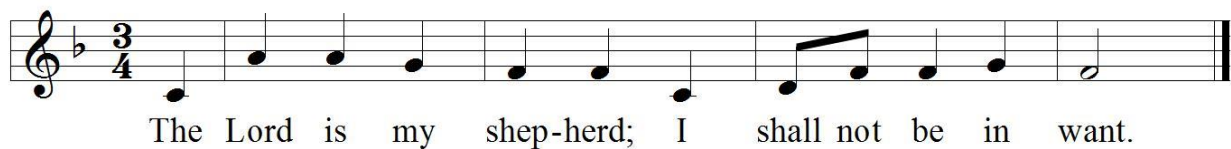
Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing 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."

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

Setting: Gordon Johnston



1 The Lord is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters. **R**

3 He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

4 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. **R**

5 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.

6 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. **R**

Epistle: 1 John 3:16-24 (David Hemings)

One: 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.

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: 405 Alleluia No. 1 vs. 4

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Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give praise to his name.

4 Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

The Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: 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."

One: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

One: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People (Liz Scobie)

One: God of grace,

All: Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

One: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence

One: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved
our neighbours as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

One: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn: 520 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me;
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thy unction grace bestoweth;
and oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

The Prayer over the Gifts

One: 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 (Eucharistic Prayer 3)

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: 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.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Hymn #732
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.

One: 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,

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

One: 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.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

One: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

**All: 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread #8

One: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

One: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

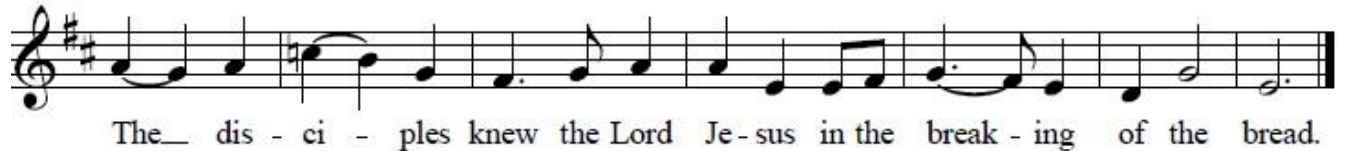
One: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Invitation to Communion

One: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Fraction Anthem



Holy Communion

Communion Hymn: 457 Alleluia! Glory to God

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Refrain:

Alleuia, alleluia, alleluia!

1 Glory to God who does wondrous things;
Let all the people God's praises now sing;
All of creation in splendour shall ring: alleluia! **R**

2 See how salvation for all has been won;
Up from the grave our new life has begun;
Life now perfected in Jesus, the Son: alleluia! **R**

3 Now in our presence the Lord will appear,
Shine in the faces of all of us here;
Fill us with joy and cast out all our fear: alleluia! **R**

4 Call us, good Shepherd; we listen for you,
Wanting to see you in all that we do;
We would the gate of salvation pass through: alleluia! **R**

5 Lord, we are open to all that you say,
Ready to listen and follow your way;

You are the potter and we are the clay: alleluia! **R**

6 If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord;
God will protect us from fire and sword,
Fill us with love and the peace of his word: alleluia! **R**

Anthem: With Songs of Rejoicing - JS Bach

Prayer after Communion

One: 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.

All: Amen.

Doxology

One: 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.**

THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Blessing

Closing Hymn: 375 At the Name of Jesus

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1 At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him King of glory now;

'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2 Humbled for a season to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

3 Name him, Christians, name him, with love as strong as death,
but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;
he is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.

4 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
crown him as your Saviour in temptation's hour;
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

5 Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of Glory now.

Dismissal

One: Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Postlude: Variation on *Lancashire*~~Stanley/Burkhardt

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