

# ST. JOHN THE DIVINE ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Holy Communion  
Sunday April 5, 2025  
**Easter Sunday**



***We are a church in the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets,  
following Christ with renewed hearts, renewed spirits,  
and as a renewed people.***

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“Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.” -1 Corinthians 5.7-8

Processional Hymn:

**Welcome & Acknowledgment of Land**

Call to Worship:

God of resurrection, roll away the stone of our fear;

**Roll away the stone of our despair, roll away the stone of our death. Bring us out into the light of new life, through Jesus Christ, the risen one. Amen**

(Jonny Baker, Proost Liturgy)

*(We prepare our hearts for worship in silence)*

**The Gathering of the Community** *(Service begins on p. 185)*

Gloria p.186

Kyrie Eleison p. 186

Collect: Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word (Led by Pam Wilkinson)

First Reading: ACTS 10:34-43

PS 118:1-2, 14-24 **R: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it**

Second Reading: COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Gradual Hymn:

The Gospel: MATTHEW 28:1-10

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Homily:

The Apostles' Creed p.189

Prayers of the People (Led by Kathleen Bell)

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace: p. 192

Offertory Hymn:

Prayer over the Gifts: God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

## **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharist prayer #1 p.193

The Lord's Prayer p. 211 (*sung*)

The Breaking of the Bread (prayer # 2) p. 212

The Communion (*all are welcome to receive communion, or a blessing at the altar*)

Communion Hymn: (*parish remains seated*)

Prayer after Communion: God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**

Doxology: **Glory to God whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we could ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church, and in Christ Jesus. Amen**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn:

The Dismissal p. 215

*Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret and David Faulks on their birthdays from their Ontario Family..*

*All are welcome to join us in the hall after the service  
for a fellowship & refreshments*

**Announcements:**

- April Outreach Focus: Senior Support North Vancouver Island <https://ssnvi.ca/comox-valley-senior-programs/>

- New Parish Council members and new parishioners, picture taking after service, see Ginny.
- New Parishioners please complete Parishioner Information form (*ask greeters*)
- Tuesday Zoom bible study with Rev. Alastair at 3:30pm. Please contact Rev. A for the zoom link & outline.
- Blessing Boutique closed tomorrow for Easter Monday.
- Chair Yoga, Tues & Wed, 11:30am – noon, hall \$5
- Blessing Boutique: Mondays, 9am-1pm, hall, need men's/women's clothing
- DONATIONS NEEDED Blessing Box, non-perishable food items

**SJTD SUNDAY QUOTE:**

*“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.  
Hate cannot drive our hate; only love can do that.”~  
Martin Luther King*

Notes about the Service:

- Offering plate at the greeters table in the Narthex. (Red Hat offerings for monthly outreach focus)
- Hymns are found in the Common Praise (blue hymn book in the pews); if the lyrics not printed in bulletin.
- Our liturgy (prayers) are mostly taken from the Book of Alternative Service (BAS- green book in pews) To follow along with the service, refer to page numbers OR for simplified version see small blue booklet (The Holy Eucharist) beginning on page 3.
- All are welcome to take communion (we practice an open table)
- Children's area is at the back of the church. We welcome the sound of children in this space. If you have any questions about the service, the greeters would be happy to help.