

EASTER SUNDAY



April 5, 2026

10:30 am

"Easter was when Hope in person surprised the whole world by coming forward from the future into the present."

N.T. Wright — *Surprised by Hope* (HarperCollins, 2009), p.29

Note: We are a Scent-Free Facility for the health and comfort of those with allergies. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

All are warmly welcomed to our worship.
We ask visitors to introduce themselves and to join us
for social hour after the service.

Kids Church is offered during the 10:30 am service.
The children will leave for age-appropriate activities part way through.
Children are also welcome to stay at the activity table.

Welcome & Introduction

The Presider welcomes the congregation

Presider St Laurence Anglican Church is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the k^wik^wə^λəm (Kwikwetlem) First Nation, shared historically with the q̓ic̓əy̓ (Katzie) and other Coast Salish Peoples.

We acknowledge with respect the Kwikwetlem people, past and present, and honour their stewardship of this land.

Invitation to Silence

Presider Let us be still.

A brief silence is kept.

Opening Acclamation

Presider God raised Jesus from the dead and opened the way of life.
Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia

A joyful noise is made to celebrate!

Gathering Hymn - *Jesus Christ is Risen Today (CP 203)*

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem the loss, Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinner to redeem and save, Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Text & Music: Lyra Davidica,

Presider God is with you.
All And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.
Risen Lord,
**All you know the depths of our hearts,
our joys, our struggles, and our hopes.
By the power of your Spirit,
renew our love and transform us
in the light of your resurrection.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
who lives and reigns with you,
now and forever. Amen.**

Collect of the Day *(the special prayer which 'collects' the theme of the day)*

Presider Almighty God,
 through the resurrection of your Son,
 you have given us new life.
 Grant that, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 we who renew our baptismal covenant this day
 may live as witnesses of his risen life in the world;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gloria - Glory to God - Mass of St. Ann

Refrain



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high-est.



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and on



earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

Last time



A - men.

1. We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God,
heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father. **Refrain**
2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. **Refrain**
3. 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. **Refrain**

Second Reading - *Colossians 3:1-4*

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Reading

Gospel Acclamation

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.
Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

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Deacon Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.
The risen Lord be with you!

All **And also with you!**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel – *Matthew 28:1-10*

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily Rev. Philip Cochrane

Anthem - *Living Hope*

Renewal of Baptismal Covenant

Presider God raised Jesus from the dead and opened the way of life.
In baptism, we are drawn into that life.
Today, we renew the promises that shape who we are.

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

All I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**All 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.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

All I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

All I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

All I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth?

All I will, with God's help.

Asperges

Presider As we remember our baptism, you are invited to receive water as a sign of the life we share in Christ.

(Water is sprinkled over the congregation.)

Presider We are marked as Christ's own and called to walk in the way of life.

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Presider The risen Christ stands among us and speaks peace.
The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

The Peace is shared in the community, respecting personal boundaries

Offertory

In gratitude for all we've received, we offer of ourselves back to God. Bread, wine, and money symbolize the fruits of our labour. If you give through Pre-Authorized Donations or e-transfer (office@saintlaurence.ca), you're welcome to use a blue card to represent your offering to the glory of God.



Offertory Hymn - Alleluia No. 1 (GC 443)

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give praise to his Name.

Verses

1. Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3. We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4. God has pro - claimed his gra - cious gift:
5. Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

D.C.
He is the King of cre - a - tion.
Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
Now we shall live for ev - er.
Life e - ter - nal for all who be - lieve.
Joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

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Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of life,

**All you have opened for us the way of life
through the raising of Jesus from the dead.
Receive these gifts, and form us as a people of
hope and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebration of our Sacred Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God is with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All We give our thanks and praise.

Presider Creator, you made our world beautiful and good.
You made us to live in right relationship with you
and all creation.

You sent Jesus to live among us
and show us what you are like.
You raised Jesus from the dead and opened the way of life.
Where there was grief, you bring joy.
Where there was fear, you bring hope.
Death does not have the final word.

And so, with all creation and all the company of heaven,
we sing your praise:

Sanctus - Holy - Mass of St. Ann

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high - est.

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Presider Glory and honour are yours, Creator of all,
your Word has never been silent.
Of your grace, you sent Jesus to be human, to share our life,
to proclaim the coming of your holy reign,
and to give himself for us.

Through Jesus Christ, you have reconciled us to you
and restored the glory you intended for us.

On the night before he died, Jesus ate supper with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

“Take and eat. This is my very self given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup of wine, again he gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying:

“Drink it all of you. This cup is a new covenant poured out for you and all people. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Memorial Acclamation

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again,
until you come again.**

Presider And so, we remember: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, and, longing for Christ’s coming again in glory, we present these gifts to you.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, so that we who share this bread and wine may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Draw us together in Christ, and, in the fullness of time, gather us with all your people into the joy of your eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you, our God and Creator, and give you our unending praise.

All Amen.

Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav-en, hal - lowed be thy
name; thy king-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it
is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for-
give us our tres - pass - es, as we for-give those who
tres-pass a-gainst us; and lead us not in - to temp -
ta-tion, but de - liv-er us from e - vil.
For the king - dom and the pow - er and the
glo - ry are yours for - ev - er. A - men.
For the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo - ry are yours
now and for ev-er, now and for ev-er, now and for ev - er.

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The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world, grant us peace.

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The Invitation

Presider All are welcome at this table.
You may receive bread or both bread and wine.

Come as you are. The way of life is open.
The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

The Distribution

At St. Laurence, everyone is invited to the table. You may receive only the bread or both bread and wine. Non-fermented grape juice is available in the ceramic chalice, and gluten-free wafers are offered; just ask at the distribution. If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest.

For the well-being of everyone in the community, please receive the bread directly rather than dipping it in the chalice.

Before or after receiving Communion, you are welcome to light a candle in prayer on the left side of the sanctuary, remembering a person or intention. Prayer ministers are also available on the right side of the sanctuary if you would like someone to pray with you.

Communion Hymn - *Jesus is Risen From the Grave* (CP 232)

1. Jesus is risen from the grave,
Jesus is risen from the grave,
Jesus is risen from the grave, alleluia.

2. Jesus was seen by Mary,
Jesus was seen by Mary,
Jesus was seen by Mary, alleluia

3. Peter will soon be smiling,
Peter will soon be smiling,
Peter will soon be smiling, alleluia

4. Thomas will stop his doubting,
Thomas will stop his doubting,
Thomas will stop his doubting, alleluia

5. Jesus will meet his people....

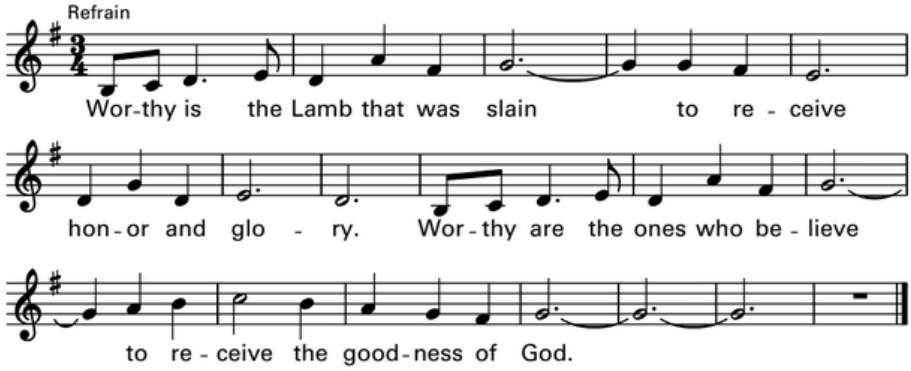
6. Jesus is here in bread and wine...

7. Jesus will live forever.....

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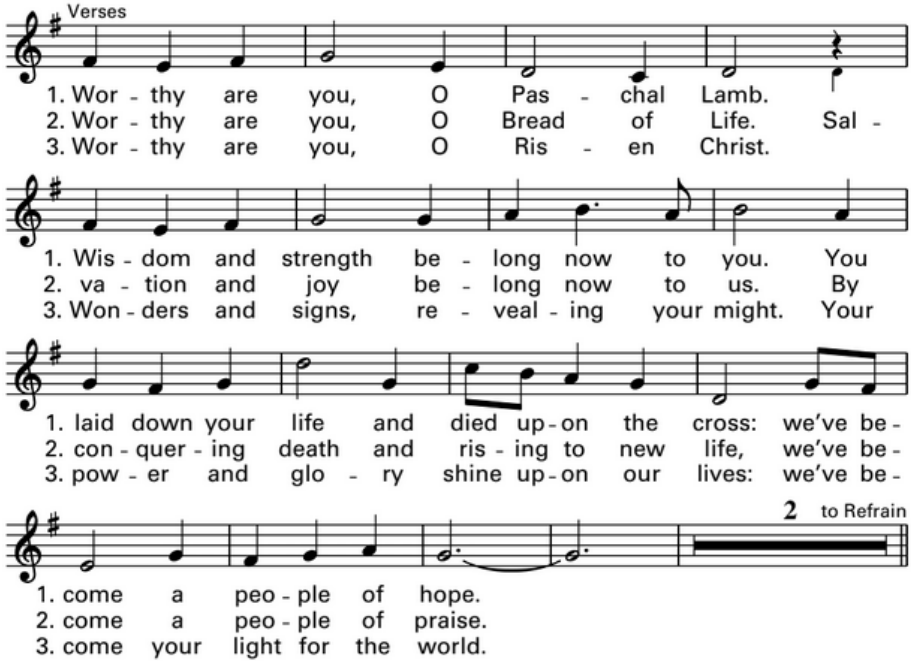
Communion Song: *Worthy is the Lamb* (S&S 166)

Refrain



Wor-thy is the Lamb that was slain to re-ceive
 hon-or and glo-ry. Wor-thy are the ones who be-lieve
 to re-ceive the good-ness of God.

Verses



1. Wor - thy are you, O Pas - chal Lamb.
 2. Wor - thy are you, O Bread of Life. Sal -
 3. Wor - thy are you, O Ris - en Christ.

1. Wis - dom and strength be - long now to you. You
 2. va - tion and joy be - long now to us. By
 3. Won - ders and signs, re - veal - ing your might. Your

1. laid down your life and died up-on the cross: we've be -
 2. con - quer - ing death and ris - ing to new life, we've be -
 3. pow - er and glo - ry shine up-on our lives: we've be -

2 to Refrain

1. come a peo - ple of hope.
 2. come a peo - ple of praise.
 3. come your light for the world.

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Communion Hymn - *Hallelujah Is Our Song* (BB 170)



1. What hope we have, e - ven in the long - est
 2. What peace we have, e - ven in this wound - ed
 3. What joy we have, for the stone is rolled a -
 4. What hope we have, e - ven in the long - est



1. night, for the light will o - ver - come.
 2. world where the bat - tle rag - es on.
 3. way and the tomb holds noth - ing now.
 4. night, for the light will o - ver - come.



1. We will not fear, † for we know the
 2. We will not fear, † for we know who
 3. No sting of death, no pow - er o - ver
 4. And we shall live; † sin - ners, we will



1. sun will rise.
 2. heals our souls.
 3. sin or grave.
 4. rise to saints.
- Hal - le - lu - jah is our song.



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! He is ris - en



o - ver all. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -



lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah is our song.

Moment of Silence

Take a moment to be still and know God. Let the world's noise fade as you listen for the deep stillness beneath it all. The silence begins and ends with the ringing of a bell.

Prayer after Communion

Presider Living God,

**All we have received the body and blood of your Son.
May we who have renewed our baptismal promises
walk in the way of life you have opened;
through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Presider 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.**

Announcements

Blessing

Presider May the God who raised Jesus from the dead
open before you the way of life.
May the risen Christ walk with you in all that lies ahead.
May the Holy Spirit give you courage and joy
to live as people of hope.

And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer,
and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Closing Hymn - Resurrection Hymn

VERSE

D A/D G D/F# A

1. See, what a morn - ing, glo - rious - ly bright, with the
 2. See Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" As in
 3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

3 Bm G D/F# G D/A A D A/D

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,
 sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears a voice speak - ing,
 Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,

6 G D A/C# Bm G D/F# G D/A A A/G

tomb filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ is ris - en!
 call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain!
 glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty!

9 D/F# A/G G D/F# G D/F# G D/F# G

See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in
 The voice that spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing
 And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has

12 D/A A A/G D/F# A/G G D/F# G D/F# G D/A A

sa - cri - fice, ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the
 peace to us, will sound till He ap - pears, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the
 con - quered; And we shall reign with Him, for He lives: Christ is ris - en from the

dead!
 dead!
 dead!

Minister The way of life is open.
 Go in the peace of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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NEWS & NOTES

Wednesday Morning Service - 9:00 am

*From silence to laughter, scripture to table - wrestling
with faith, in good company.*

Join us midweek for Communion, scripture, and honest conversation. A safe space to share questions, explore diverse perspectives, and deepen fellowship. Start your day nourished in spirit and community.

Easter Sunday Lunch – TODAY!!

Please join us for lunch TODAY, after the 10:30 service.

Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, salads, buns, fruit, veggies and sweets will be provided.

We'd love to have you join us.



Friday, 11 am – 12 pm, in Sanctuary - Drop In

Next - April 10, 2026

Senior Men's Lunch

Next date: Thursday, April 16, 2026

11:30 - 1:00 pm

The senior men meet once a month at

**Ricky's Country Restaurant,
100 Schoolhouse Street**

for good food and conversation.



In order for the restaurant to know how many to expect for the lunch, please contact Bruce Middleton, or the church office 604-936-5423 or office@saintlaurence.ca if you are planning on attending.

Speaker - Bonnie Barnes-Tracey - Seniors Financial planning



Hi Everyone,
The AfterChurch Gang is back for April,
and we're hoping you would join us for a
bike ride **April 12**.

The plan is: we'll be meeting up at Saint Laurence, April 12, at 2pm,
to carpool to our destination, likely along the Fraser River.

Route to be communicated in the WhatsApp group soon

We expect about ~20km, round trip and very doable.

If you're interested, email the office, and we'll add you to the
WhatsApp group, for easy coordination.

The Risen Life Takes Shape Among Us

Easter Season 2026

Dear Friends,

We come to Easter this year carrying more than usual.
That is saying something.

The lands where Jesus lived, died, and rose are, once again, torn apart. The Middle East is a place of deep grief, old wounds, and the awful belief on every side that what is at stake is everything. Each side sees an enemy that must be overcome or there will be nothing left. We have heard this before. It does not end well.

It would be easy to keep Easter at arm's length from all of this. To treat the rising of Jesus as something that happened long ago and far away, a lovely thought, a warm feeling, something for the hymns. But the resurrection did not happen in a nice, tidy, safe little world. It happened under the boot of empire. Jesus was killed by an occupying power that kept the peace through fear and nails and wood. Crucifixion was not an overreaction. It was policy. The Pax Romana meant: do as you are told, or we will show you what peace looks like.

Into that world, God did something utterly strange. Not a show of force. Not a taking of sides. Life, where there should have been none. A dead man, breathing. The tomb, empty. Not because God beat Rome at its own game, but because the power of God is something Rome had no word for: a love that gives itself away and cannot be snuffed out, not even by death.

This is what makes Easter not just comforting but dangerous. It does not tell us everything will be grand. It tells us that the old lie — the one that says peace comes through crushing the other and safety comes through strength — is not the last word. There is a deeper word, and it is alive.

As we move through Easter together, I want to invite us to sit with a theme: *The Risen Life Takes Shape Among Us*. In the weeks ahead, we will ask what it looks like for the resurrection to be not only something we believe but something we do. In how we treat one another. In how we face a world in pain. In how we let the risen Christ get to work on us.

Easter does not lift us out of the mess. It meets us right in the thick of it, and it gives us somewhere to stand.

Easter Appeal: Alongside Hope, Gaza and West Bank

This Easter, we are inviting the parish to support the Gaza and West Bank Emergency Appeal from Alongside Hope, one of our parish partners and the Anglican Church of Canada's agency for relief and development. The appeal serves the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem: our own sisters and brothers, living and ministering in the very lands where Jesus lived, died, and rose.

As war engulfs the wider Middle East, Anglican hospitals there continue to heal. Anglican schools continue to teach. Anglican communities continue to hold the line for peace. Not because the violence has stopped, but because the resurrection says that life does not wait for permission.

Please donate through St. Laurence so we can track our collective effort and share the difference we make together. Mark your envelope or e-transfer "Alongside Hope, Gaza."

E-transfers may be sent to: office@saintlaurence.ca

For more information about the appeal and the work of the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, please speak with a member of the clergy or visit the parish office.

A joyful and blessed Easter to you all.

Every Blessing,

Philip

