



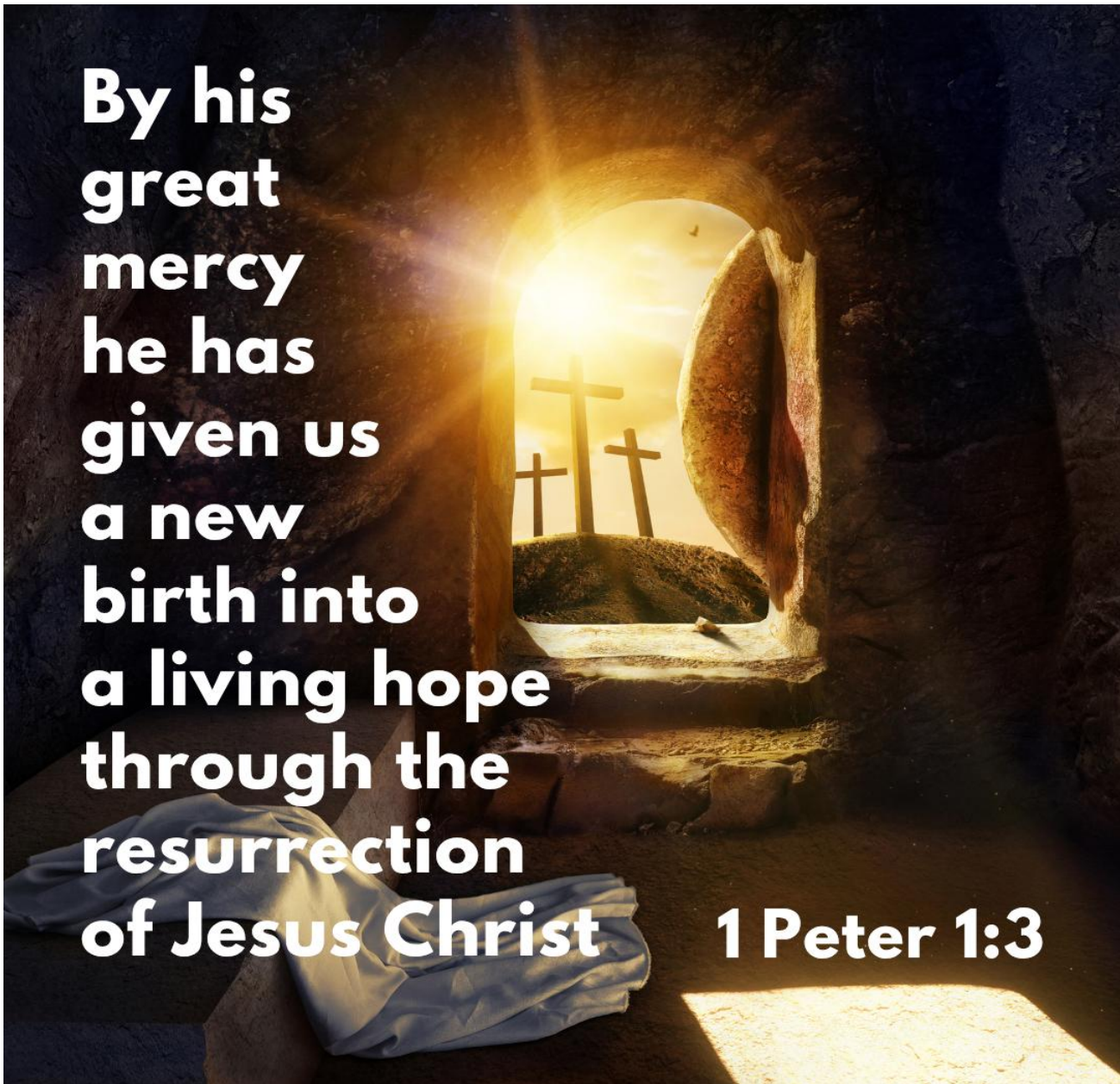
Order of Service for April 12, 2026
2nd Sunday of Easter
Celebration of Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.
Celebrating: The Rev'd Tony Hilling
Assisting: The Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak



**St. Paul's
Anglican Church**
Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace

**By his
great
mercy
he has
given us
a new
birth into
a living hope
through the
resurrection
of Jesus Christ**

1 Peter 1:3



Pre-Service Music: Great is He Who's the King of Kings (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the Service.)

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Processional Hymn: CP # 374 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (screens)

Greeting p 185 (Book of Alternative Services - Green book) (screens)

The Collect for Purity p. 185 (screens)

Glory to God p. 186 (screens)

Collect of the Day p. 336 (screens)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the book of Acts

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 16. . . . p. 719 (screens)

The Epistle Reading

A reading from the first letter of peter

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 peter 1:3-9

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: Alleluia, He is Coming (screens)

The Holy Gospel

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he

breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

John 20:19-31

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

Homily

The Apostles Creed p. 189 (screens)

The Prayers of the People (screens) (The people sit or kneel for the prayers)

Confession and Absolution p. 191 (screens)

The Peace.... p. 192 (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: Our God Reigns (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts. p. 337 (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer # 3 . . . p. 198 (screens)

Proper Preface for Easter p. 222 (screens)

The Lord's Prayer Form 1... p. 211 (screens)

The Breaking of the Bread, Form 8.p. 213 (screens)

Agnus Dei (screens)

The Communion p. 212 (screens)

Communion Hymns (screens)

He is Lord

Freely, Freely

CP # 360 Bless the Lord

Alleluias (Choir Anthem)

Hymn after Communion (Please Stand) I Believe in Jesus (screens)

Prayer after Communion. p. 336 (screens)

Doxology p. 214 (screens)

The Blessing

Announcements (screens)

Closing Hymn:

CP # 210 Yours be the Glory, Rise, Conquering Son (screens)

Sending (screens)

You're invited to join us for Coffee, right after the Service, in the Hall.

Traditional Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.

Prayers for this Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for ***Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola***. In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle, we pray for ***the Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario***. In the Lutheran Church, we pray for ***the congregations of the Central Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod***. In the Moravian Church we pray for ***the Rt. Rev. Amy Gohdes-Luhman, Bishop of the Unity residing in the Northern Province***. Together: ***The elimination of racial discrimination***.

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for ***St. James, Calgary and their clergy The Rev. Dr. Dane Neufeld and The Rev. Deacon David Ginther*** we also pray for ***Children and Young Families***.

We lift to you our friends in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands we pray for ***Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, St. Luke, and Byera Chapel, on St. Vincent and their Incumbent the Ven. Junior Ballantyne***.

In our Parish Cycle, we pray today for our clergy Tony Hilling, Betty Nadurak, Cyril Haynes, Sean Devlin, Garry MacDowall and their families.

We pray for the special child our Parish sponsors through Children Believe. **Heavenly Father**, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you: Ari; Andrea; Dorothy Ann; Robbie; Patrick; Josh; Bob & Joanne; Michael; Scott; Kerin; Obiageli Gloria.

For those grieving: the family of Marlene Wright. **We thank you** for your healing touch which sustains us every day; and for the many healings that have taken place in our parish, and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

We pray for all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil by storms, floods, fires, famine, or other climate disasters. We remember all who are struggling economically. Please help us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together. **We pray for** forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by Residential Schools, for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation, and new paths forward that honour all God's precious children.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. **We stand in** solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be. **We pray for** protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of our risen Lord by Betty Nadurak in loving memory of her husband John and her granddaughter Alyssa.