

St Stephen the Martyr Anglican Church, Burnaby

Sunday, April 19, 2026 - 10 AM  
The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter



**Road to Emmaus<sup>1</sup>**  
Ivory Carving, ca. 850-900 .

## Morning Prayer with Zoom Option

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Today, Sara Shaw leads us in Morning Prayer.

*Thank you for joining us for worship this morning! This document provides a guide for our time together. You are invited to join in saying the words in **bold**. Bookmarks to pre-mark the hymnals are available where you picked up this guide. Hymns today are in the blue "Common Praise" hymnals.*

## The Gathering of the Community

### Words of Welcome & a Territorial Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn - "O Praise Ye the Lord"

CP-330

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Let us praise our God

**who has given us life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.**

Let us rejoice, then, even in our distress.

**We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.**

O God, you have claimed us as your own

**and called us from our darkness into the light of your day.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**<sup>ii</sup>

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

*(cf Romans 6.4)*

Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors, we are afraid to be seen as your followers.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus Christ, risen and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief. We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven

In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**<sup>iii</sup>

The children and their teachers move to Sunday School.

Invitatory Hymn - "Fairest Lord Jesus"

CP-619

## The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading - Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Read by Pat H

*Peter now comes to the conclusion of his speech to the Jerusalem crowd, in which he interprets the event they have just witnessed: the coming of the Holy Spirit. He has accused them of responsibility for Jesus' death.*

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,

"Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

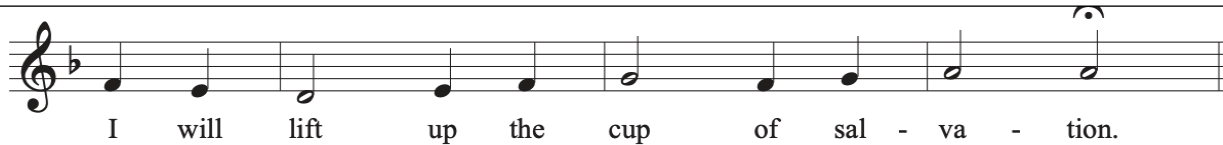
Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and

you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19<sup>iv</sup> Our cantor today is Andy.

The cantor sings the refrain first, then everyone repeats it the second time. The cantor sings the verses.



**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

I love you, O God, because you have heard the voice of my supplication,  
because you have inclined your ear to me whenever I called upon you.  
The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me;  
I came to grief and sorrow. Then I called upon your name, O God:  
"My defender, I pray you, save my life."

**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

How shall I repay you, O God for all the good things you have done for me?  
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name, O God.

**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people.  
Precious in your sight, O God, is the death of your servants.

**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

O God, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon your name, O God.

**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God, in the presence of all your people.

In the courts of God's house, in the midst of Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

**Refrain: "I will lift up the cup of salvation."**

## **The Second Reading – 1 Peter 1:17-23** Read by Theresa

*The author has urged his readers: "discipline yourselves", be ready for Christ's second coming. Do not fall back into the pagan immorality you practised before your conversion to the faith; rather, separate yourselves from such ways: live ethically.*

If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **Gospel Acclamation – "Alleluia" CP-715 (refrain only)**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

## **The Gospel Reading – Luke 24:13-35**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

*It is later on Easter Day, the day on which Mary Magdalene and the other women have discovered the empty tomb. Two messengers from God have told them that Jesus has risen, as he predicted. But two of Jesus' followers aren't so sure.*

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief

priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of Christ  
**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gospel Acclamation – “Alleluia” CP-715 (refrain only)**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Homily - The Rev Neil Jongbloed (video)**

*Opportunity for Contemplation with Musical Interlude - Natan Bádue*

**The Canticle - A Song of the New Creation<sup>v</sup>**  
*(from Isaiah 43: 15, 16, 18, 19, 20c 21)*

I am the Lord, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your Sovereign.<sup>7</sup>  
**Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,**

‘Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old.  
**Behold, I am doing a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?**

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
**the people whom I formed for myself,  
that they might declare my praise.’**

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## **The Apostles' Creed**

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

**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.**

## **Meditation Hymn – “Stay with Us” CP-194 (English text)**

### **Intercessions & Thanksgiving<sup>vi</sup> - led by Elaine**

*The leader will name aloud our parish's known prayer concerns and conclude with the following prayer:*

We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity.

Jesus, light of the world,  
bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations ...  
Jesus, Lord of life,  
**in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, bread of life,  
give food to the hungry ...  
and nourish us all with your word.  
Jesus, Lord of life,  
**in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life,  
be with us and all who follow you in the way ...  
Deepen our appreciation of your truth  
and fill us with your life.  
Jesus, Lord of life,  
**In your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep,  
recover the straggler, bind up the injured,  
strengthen the sick and lead the healthy  
and strong to new pastures.  
Jesus, Lord of life,  
**in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, the resurrection and the life,  
we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in you ...  
Raise us with them to eternal life.  
Jesus, Lord of life,  
**in your mercy, hear us,  
accept our prayers, and be with us always.  
Amen.**

*Additional intercessions, petitions and thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud.  
After a period of silence, the following concluding prayer is said.*

Gracious God,  
you have heard the prayers of your faithful people;  
you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking.  
Grant our requests as may be best for us.  
This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **The Peace**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
“Peace be with You.”  
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.  
Alleluia. *John 20:19, 20*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**<sup>vii</sup>

*The congregation is invited to share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another.*

### **Offertory Hymn - “Praise, My Soul” CP-381**

*During the singing of the Offertory Hymn, the greeters will bring the offering plates through the congregation. Financial offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrances to the worship space or made online at [www.ststephenburnaby.ca/pages/donate](http://www.ststephenburnaby.ca/pages/donate). St Stephen's depends on the generosity of our members and visitors to continue to offer Christ's light to our neighbours*

### **Offertory Sentence** <sup>viii</sup>

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
*Ephesians 5:2*

### **General Thanksgiving Prayer**

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all you have done for us.  
We thank you for the splendour of the whole creation,  
for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life,  
and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends,  
and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.  
We thank you for setting us tasks which demand our best efforts,  
and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures  
that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.  
Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ;  
for the truth of his word and the example of his life;  
for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation;  
for his dying, through which he overcame death;  
for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known;  
and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things.  
**Amen.**

## **Collect of the Day**

Risen Christ, companion on the way:  
break through the disillusionment and despair which cloud our vision,  
so that we may find our way and journey on as messengers of your good news.  
**Amen.**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

## **The Lord's Prayer - "The Lord's Prayer" (SGP-12)**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Announcements - Val**

**Sending Hymn - "Crown Him with Many Crowns" CP-378**

## **Dismissal**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**He has given us new life and hope.**

**He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**He has brought us out of darkness.**

**He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within you, go in peace to love and  
serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

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### Liturgical Note:

In the context of Christian worship, Israel does not refer to the current political state but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East, or in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

*Elements of this liturgy without an endnote come from the [Book of Alternative Services](#), (BAS).*

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<sup>i</sup> <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/471970>

<sup>ii</sup> Introductory Responses are from "Pray Without Ceasing"

<sup>iii</sup> Confession is from "Times & Seasons" Church of England

<sup>iv</sup> The Psalm is from the George Black Psalter <https://theredeemer.ca/music/george-black-psalter/>

<sup>v</sup> The Canticle is from "Pray Without Ceasing"

<sup>vi</sup> The Intercessions and Thanksgiving is from "Pray Without Ceasing"

<sup>vii</sup> The Passing of the Peace is from "Times & Seasons"

<sup>viii</sup> The Offertory Sentence is from "The Book of Common Prayer" The Episcopal Church USA.