

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19TH 2026

Lord Jesus, open to us the scriptures; make our hearts burn within us while you speak. Luke 24:32



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SUNG EUCHARIST

Book of Alternative Services

Please stand and sing our opening hymn

Opening Hymn Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

MORNING
CP 5

Geystliche Gesangk Buchleyn, 1524
adapt. William Havergal (1793 - 1870)

1. Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ the true, the on - ly light,
5 Sun of Righ-teous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
9 Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star in my heart ap - pear.

- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes and war, my heart.
- 3 Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom, of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

The Gathering of the Community

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Presider So what? What should we do now?

People **Love each other deeply from the heart.**

Presider Almighty God,

People **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.**

We all sing the refrain in the **Act of Praise**

FESTIVAL CANTICLE
CP 242

Richard Hillert
1923

Refrain: This is the feast _____ of vic - to-ry for our God, Al - le -

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

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the lamb, who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
- 2 Power and riches, wisdom and strength,
and honour and blessing and glory are his.
- 3 Sing out with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation.
- 4 Blessing and honour, Glory and might
be unto the Lamb for ever, Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray. (silence)
O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread.
Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is
alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

“Christian Education” – The children are invited to the Assembly Room for the church school.

Please be seated

A Reading from the Book of Acts:

Reader: Ian Balana

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "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. *(Acts 2:14a, 36-41)*

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34

Please remain seated for the Psalm

I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter:

Reader: Kabasitta Golden

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways 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 faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, 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. (*1 Peter 1:17-23*)

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *Jesus Is Risen From the Grave*

CHILDER
CP 232

John L. Bell
(1949-)

Unison

1. Je - sus is ris - en from the grave, Je - sus is ris - en from the grave,
 2. Tho - mas will cease his doubt - ing, Tho - mas will cease his doubt - ing,

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 Je - sus is ris - en from the grave, Al - le - lu - ia
 Tho - mas will cease his doubt - ing,

Holy Gospel *Luke 24:13-35*

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

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.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
 People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Sequence Hymn Continues next page

3. Je - sus is here in bread and wine, Je - sus is here in bread and wine,
 4. Je - sus will live for - ev - er, Je - sus will live for - ev - er,
 5 Je - sus is here in bread and wine, Je - sus will live for - ev - er, Al - le - lu - ia

Homily The Very Reverend Dr Kevin George
Please stand

The Nicene Creed

Presider Let us confess our faith, as we say:
All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation. *I invite you to take a comfortable posture: standing or sitting for the Prayers of the People.*

(A brief silence.)

Living Savior just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. Merciful God:

People **Receive our prayer.**

Leader Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting and send favourable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God:

People Receive our prayer.

Leader God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence, sow peace, especially Sudan and Middle East. Merciful God:

People Receive our prayer.

Leader Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick especially Marg, George, Althea, Harika, Leah, Carolyn, Roy, Rick, Carol, Bill. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God:

People Receive our prayer.

Leader Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God:

People Receive our prayer.

Leader Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God:

People Receive our prayer.

Leader God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People 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.

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

Please stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

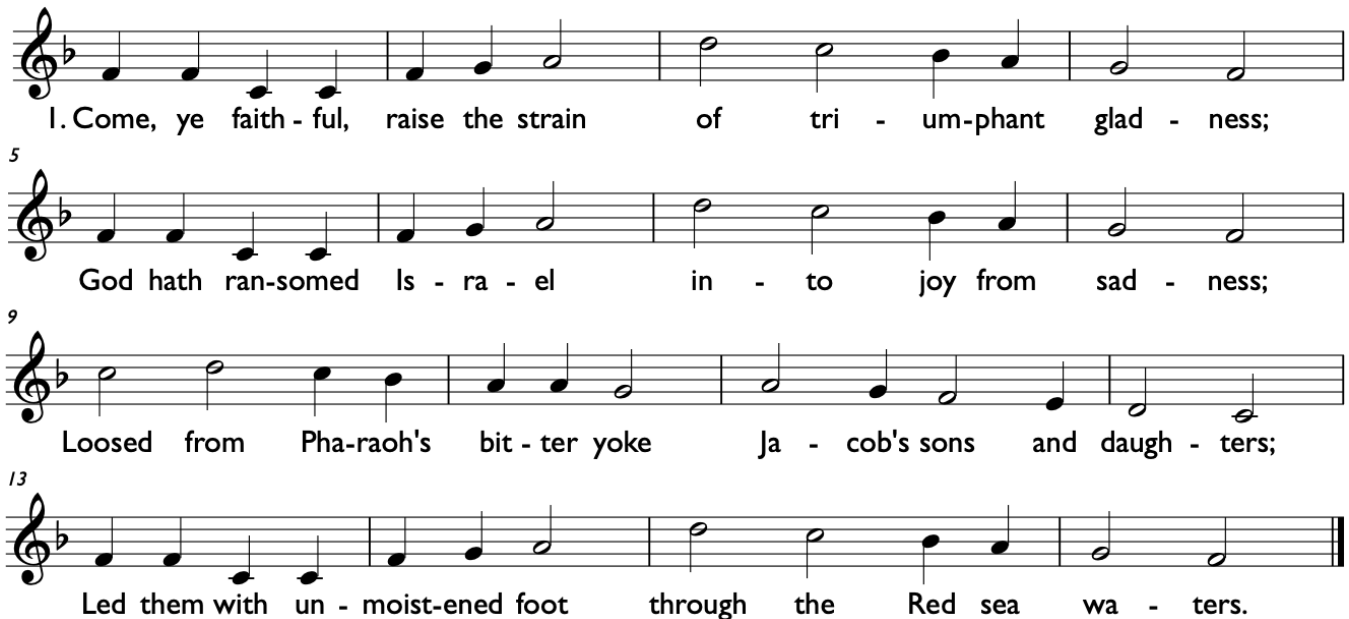
People **And also with you.**

Please offer one another a sign of the peace before we all sing the hymn

Offertory Hymn Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM
CP 215

Gesangbuch
1544



1. Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um-phant glad - ness;
5 God hath ran-somed Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness;
9 Loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
13 Led them with un - moist-ened foot through the Red sea wa - ters.

**2 'Tis the spring of souls today;
Christ hath burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death
as a sun hath risen.
All the winter of our sins,
long and dark, is flying
from that Light, to whom we give
laud and praise undying.**

**3 Now the queen of seasons, bright
with the day of splendour,
with the royal feast of feasts,
comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem,
who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesus' resurrection!**

4 Neither might the gates of death, 5
nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal,
hold thee as a mortal;
but today amidst the twelve
thou dost stand, bestowing
that thy peace which evermore
passeth human knowing.

Alleluia now we cry
to our King immortal,
who triumphant burst the bars
of the tomb's dark portal;
alleluia, with the Son
God the Father praising;
alleluia yet again
to the Spirit raising.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

People Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Simple tone

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The first staff begins with a common time signature. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you: And also with you." Above the staff, "Celebrant:" is written above the first measure and "ALL SING:" above the second measure. The second staff begins with a measure rest of 4 measures. The lyrics are: "Lift up your hearts: We lift them to the Lord." Above the staff, "Celebrant:" is written above the first measure and "ALL SING:" above the second measure. The third staff begins with a measure rest of 6 measures. The lyrics are: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God: It is right to give our thanks and praise." Above the staff, "Celebrant:" is written above the first measure and "ALL SING:" above the second measure.

Celebrant 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.

We all sing the Sanctus:

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, -
5 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - sa - na in the high - est.
9 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
13 sa - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant 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."

People Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

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 children; 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.

Land of Rest
CP 721

American Trad.

All sing:

Organ:



A - men, A - men, A - - men.

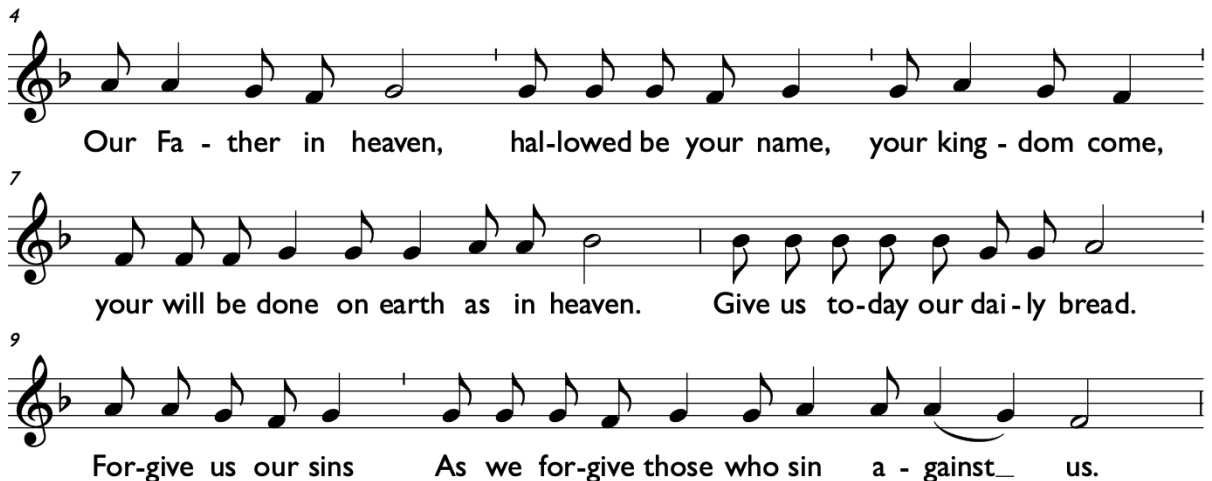
Lord's Prayer

Celebrant



Priest: As our Sa-viour taught us, let us pray:

People



4
Our Fa - ther in heaven, hal-lowed be your name, your king - dom come,
7
your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread.
9
For-give us our sins As we for-give those who sin a - gainst_ us.

11



Save us from the time of trial, and de - li - ver us from e - vil.

13



For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

The choir will sing the **Agnus Dei** to the setting in F major Harold Darke (1888 - 1976)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us / grant us peace.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

Please indicate your wish to the administrant at Communion.

Communion Anthem:

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.

Triumphant in His glory now
To Him all power is given;
To Him in one communion bow
All saints in earth and heaven.

For Judah's Lion bursts His chains,
Crushing the serpent's head;
And cries aloud through death's domains
To wake th'imprison'd dead.

While we, His soldiers, praise our King,
His mercy we implore,
Within His palace bright to bring
And keep us evermore.

Devouring depths of hell
Their prey at His command restore;
His ransom'd hosts pursue their way
Where Jesus goes before.

All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee,
While endless ages run.
Alleluia! Amen.

We all sing the Communion Hymn Lord, Your Word Shall Guide Us

RAVENSHAW
CP 561

Ein new Gesengbuchlen
1531



1. Lord, your word shall guide us and with truth pro - vide_ us:
5
teach us to re - ceive_ it and with joy be - lieve it.

2 When our foes are near us,
then your word shall cheer us
word of consolation,
message of salvation.

3 When the storms distress us
and dark clouds oppress us,
then your word protects us
and its light directs us.

4 Who can tell the pleasure,
who recount the treasure
by your word imparted
to the simple-hearted?

5 Word of mercy, giving
courage to the living;
word of life, supplying
comfort to the dying.

6 O that we, discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear you
evermore be near you!

Please stand

Prayer after Communion (*silence is kept*)

Celebrant Let us pray.
Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us
always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We
ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

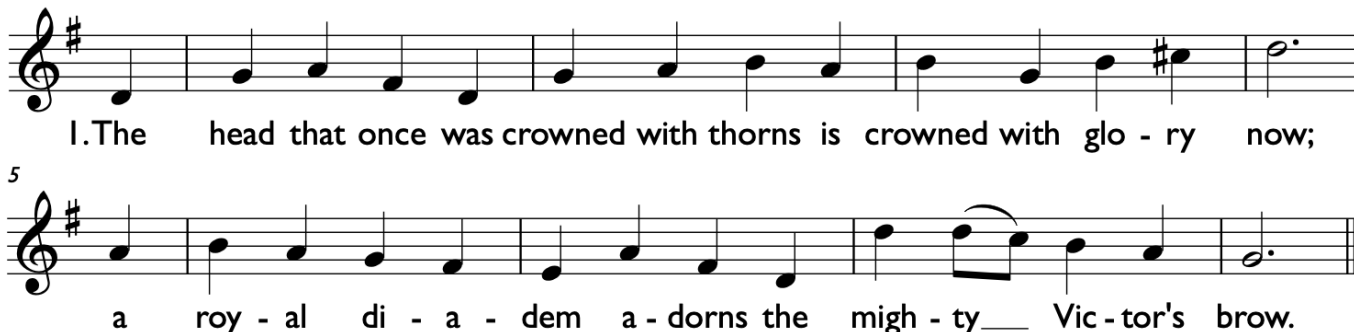
People whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. **Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Closing Announcements and Blessing

We all sing the **Post Communion Hymn** The Head That Once Was Crowned

ST. MAGNUS
CP 491

Attrib. Jeremiah Clarke
1673?-1707



1. The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
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a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the migh - ty Vic - tor's brow.

2 The highest place that heaven affords
Is his, is his by right,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal light,

3 the joy of all who dwell above,
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love
and grants his name to know.

4 To them the cross, with all its shame,
with all its grace, is given,
their name an everlasting name,
their joy the joy of heaven.

5 They suffer with their Lord below,
they reign with him above,
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.

Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the congregation in these or similar words:

Deacon Go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude No. 5 from Book I of Six Short Preludes and Postludes

Coffee Hour

After the service please join us for coffee and cold drinks.
Youth Group meets in the Guild Room.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Flowers are to the glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Tom, daughter Linda, sisters Elizabeth & Janet and our parents given by Florence Perkes;

Diocese of Huron Chain of Prayer – Today we pray for the parishes of Christ Church, Lion's Head; Parish of the Bruce Peninsula – Trinity Church, Wiarton; Church of St. Edmund, Tobermory; St. Andrew's Memorial, Howdenvale; St. Margaret's Chapel, Cape Chin.

Anglican Fellowship of Prayer - Please join fellow Anglicans from across Canada for the 'LET US PRAY' virtual gathering on Monday, April 20 @ 1pm. The theme for this year's 'LET US PRAY' sessions is 'Life in All Its Fullness: Prayer from Sea to Sea', and the speaker for the upcoming gathering is Bishop Alexander Pryor from the Diocese of the Arctic. The connection for the Zoom meeting can be found on the AFP website at www.anglicanprayer.org. Recordings of earlier 'LET US PRAY' gatherings are also available for viewing through the website.

Music at Saint Paul's:

Tuesday 21st April at 12:15 for 35 minutes
Lunchtime Live!

Our much-acclaimed Lunchtime Live! concerts continue every Tuesday. With our audiences regularly topping 100 people, these concerts are not to be missed.

Anglican Church Women – Diocese of Huron

Annual Meeting & Conference: "Believe & Trust" on April 25, 2026 @ Church of the Ascension (2060 Dundas St. East, London, Ontario)

Join the Anglican Church Women of the Diocese of Huron for their Annual Meeting & Conference. The day begins with Registration and a Meet & Greet at 8:30 a.m., with coffee, tea, and muffins provided.

The Welcome & Opening Service begins at 9:30 AM., with a sermon delivered by The Right Reverend Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron. The day will also feature a guest speaker, The Reverend Hana Scorrar, Indigenous Ministries Missioner, followed by a Business Meeting at 1:30 PM. Please remember to bring your A.C.W. Banners for display. See [POSTER](#) for more details.