

Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Cross!

For more information, visit our website

www.Lutheranvictoria.ca



The audio for worship will be muted until worship begins

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

Rev. Lyndon Sayers, Pastor

Rev. Eli Deifeld, Pastor

May 17, 2026 – 10:00 AM

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Liturgy and songs are by various copyright holders and used under OneLicense 727619-A and Augsburg Fortress SBT005569. All rights reserved.

Easter Greeting

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Gathering Song
I Come With Joy – No. 482

Vs. 1

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.**

Vs. 2

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.**

Vs. 3

**As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.**

Vs. 4

**The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known, alive among us here,
alive among us here.**

Vs. 5

**Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.**

Kyrie

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

...Help, save, comfort, and defend
us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Song Of Praise
This is the Feast – Page 193

Refrain

**This is the feast of vict'ry for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Vs. 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing and glory are his. *Refrain***

**Vs. 2 Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor, glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. *Refrain***

**Vs. 3 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia, alleluia. *Refrain***

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Refrain: Sing to God, who rides upon the clouds

¹ Let God arise, and let God's ene- | mies be scattered;
let those who | hate God flee.

² **As smoke is driven away, so you should drive | them away;**
as the wax melts before the fire,
so let the wicked perish at the pres- | ence of God.

³ But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;
let them also be mer- | ry and joyful.

⁴ **Sing to God, sing praises to God's name;**
exalt the one who | rides the clouds;

I Am is that name, rejoice | before God! R

⁵ In your holy habita- | tion, O God,
you are a father to orphans, defend- | er of widows;

⁶ **you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners | into freedom;**
but the rebels shall live in | desert places.

⁷ O God, when you went forth be- | fore your people,
when you marched | through the wilderness,

**⁸ the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the | God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the | God of Israel.**

**⁹ You sent a bountiful | rain, O God;
you restored your inheritance | when it languished.**

**¹⁰ Your people found their | home in it;
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor. R**

**³² Sing to God, O kingdoms | of the earth;
sing praises | to the Lord.**

**³³ You ride in the heavens, O God, in the | ancient heavens;
you send forth your voice, your | mighty voice.**

**³⁴ Ascribe pow- | er to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is | in
the skies.**

**³⁵ How wonderful you are in your holy places, O | God of Israel,
giving strength and power to your people! | Blessed be God! R**

Refrain: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Gospel Acclamation

***Alleluia.* I will not leave you orphaned, |
says the Lord.***

I am com- | ing to you. *Alleluia.*

Gospel Reading

Word of God, word of life.
Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn of the Day
Oh, Love, How Deep – No. 322

Vs. 1

**Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high,
beyond all thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake!**

Vs. 2

**God sent no angel to our race,
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame,
in Christ our Lord to this world came.**

Vs. 3

**For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptation sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.**

Vs. 4

**For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought,
by words and signs and actions thus
still seeking not himself, but us.**

Vs. 5

**For us by wickedness betrayed,
for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us he gave his dying breath.**

Vs. 6

**For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.**

Vs. 7

**All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore.**

Nicene Creed

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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 and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 the People

Merciful God,
Receive our prayer

Peace Sharing

The peace of the risen Christ
be with you always.

And also with you.



Give Online



Visiting www.Lutheranvictoria.ca.

Select "Give Online" on the top right corner and follow the instructions.



Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Thanksgiving Prayer

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Communion Songs

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! – No. 393

Vs. 1

**A hymn of glory let us sing!
New hymns throughout the world shall ring: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ, by a road before untrod, ascends unto the throne of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Vs. 2

**The holy apostolic band upon the Mount of Olives stand, Alleluia! Alleluia!
and with his faithful foll'wers see their Lord ascend in majesty.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Vs. 3

**To whom the shining angels cry, "Why stand and gaze upon the sky?"
Alleluia! Alleluia! "This is the Savior!" thus they say,
"this is his glorious triumph day!"
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Vs. 4

**"You see him now, ascending high
up to the portals of the sky."**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**"Hereafter Jesus you shall see
returning in great majesty."**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Vs. 5

**O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
all praise to you let earth accord:**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**You are, while endless ages run,
with Father and with Spirit one.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing – No. 531

Vs. 1

**The trumpets sound, the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin
The gates of heaven open wide and Jesus welcomes you inside *R***

Refrain

**Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heavens love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin
The feast is ready to begin**

Vs. 2

**Tables are laden with good things; oh, taste the peace and joy he brings
He'll fill you up with love devine; he'll turn your water into wine *R***

Vs. 3

**The hungry heart he satisfies,
offers the poor his paradise.**

**Now hear all heav'n and earth
applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord**

Refrain

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.

Come and revel in heavens love and light.

Take your place at the table of the King.

The feast is ready to begin

The feast is ready to begin

Christ, Our Peace – No. 1037

**Christ, our peace,
you break down the walls that divide us;
Christ, our peace,
come, make us one body in you.**

Sending Song

Come, Share the Spirit – No. 1045

Vs. 1

**Come, share the Spirit, God has called us
to ventures in the life of faith,
to bring good tidings to the needy,
to tell of vict'ry over death.
Christ speaks and all of life is new;
God's word is pure and it is true.**

Vs. 2

**Come, drown your sins beneath the waters
where life flows from the granite rock,
the stone from which our Lord has risen,
our cornerstone and building block.
Christ speaks and raises from the dead
all those who hear the living Word.**

Vs. 3

**Come, God invites us to the banquet
that ev'ry people soon will share,
with shouts of joy and loud thanksgiving
before God's throne we will appear.
Christ speaks and bids us sit and dine;
his body, bread, his blood, the wine.**

Vs. 4

**Come, let us tell the gospel story,
how God has given us new birth
and raises us to live for others,
to speak good news throughout the earth.
Christ speaks and life is come again.
Good news, good news for ev'ryone!**

Worship Leaders and Assistants

Assisting Minister: Jeanie Stann

Kantor: Nathan McDonald

Musician: Carolyn Hoekstra

Choral Scholars: Madison Blackman

Livestream: Josh Boutin

Communion: Ann Baty, Judy Bergbusch

Ushers: Murray Nelson, Grant Froyland

*You are invited to Holy Communion Worship, Sundays,
10 AM PT in-person and online.*

For more information, please check the website

www.lutheranvictoria.ca

for the Crossroads newsletter, calendar and events.

Follow us at [facebook.com/lutheranvictoria](https://www.facebook.com/lutheranvictoria) and

Instagram @lutheranvictoria



Give Online



Visiting www.Lutheranvictoria.ca.

Select "Give Online" on the top right corner and follow the instructions.



**Thank you for supporting ministry and
outreach at Church of the Cross.
Secure online giving is available.**

**Visit LutheranVictoria.ca
and click “Giving” to give online
or learn about more ways to give.**



[HOME](#)

[ABOUT/VIDEOS](#)

[EVENTS](#)

[SERMONS](#)

[KIDS, YOUTH & STUDENTS](#)

[LGBTQ2+](#)

[NEWS](#)

[PROGRAMS](#)

[GIVING](#)