

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
The Third Sunday of Easter,
April 18, 2021 10:00 am



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Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: The risen Jesus meets the two discouraged disciples
on the road, from Jerusalem to Emmaus.
They felt their hopes were dashed.
Jesus opened the scriptures to them,
to help them understand.
And, they recognized him in the breaking of bread,
for brokenness was no longer a scandal for them.
And, they remembered that their hearts were burning
within them as they heard him put it together for them.

Today, we can ask for that gift
of understanding affection
for the relationship of new life
Jesus wants to offer us.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Opening Hymn: CP 231

That Eastertide with Joy was Bright

(tune: Lasst uns erfreuen)

**That Eastertide with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light,
alleluia, alleluia!
when, to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**He bade them see his hands, his side,
where yet the glorious wounds abide;
alleluia, alleluia!
the tokens true which made it plain
their Lord indeed was risen again.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

From every weapon death can wield
thine own redeemed forever shield:
 alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord of all, with us abide
in this our joyful Eastertide.
 Alleluia, alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus, the king of gentleness,
do thou thyself our hearts possess,
 alleluia, alleluia!
that we may give thee all our days
the tribute of our grateful praise.
 Alleluia, alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

A Kyrie Confession

Priest: Lord Jesus, you opened the hearts and minds
of those whom you encountered:

Lord, have mercy,

All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Christ Jesus, you are risen
and among us even now:

Christ, have mercy,

All: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you call us to be witnesses
and to keep your commandments:

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**All sing: Glory be to God in heaven,
 peace, goodwill to all the earth,
 mighty God of all creation,
 Father of surpassing worth.
 We exalt you, we adore you,
 we lift high our thanks and praise,
 saints and angels bow before you,
 here on earth our songs we raise.**

**Glory be to Christ forever,
 Lamb of God and Lord of love,
 Son of God and gracious Saviour,
 you have come from heaven above.
 On the cross you died to save us,
 now you reign at God's right hand.
 Hear our prayer, restore, forgive us,
 in your promise firm we stand.**

**Holy One we now acclaim you,
 Lord alone to you we call,
 Holy One in faith we name you,
 God most high, yet near to all.
 Jesus Christ with God the Spirit,
 in the Father's splendour bright,
 for the peace that we inherit
 glory be to God on high!**

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Priest: Miraculous God, come to us now,
even as your Son came to those first disciples
on the shores of Galilee.
Speak your peace to our hearts.
Touch us with your Holy Spirit.
Reveal your word,
that we may hear your message this day,
and live as your disciples
in the days and years to come.
In Christ's name, we pray.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Acts 3: 12-19

Reader: *Genevieve Richards*

Reader: A reading from the Book of Acts.

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-04-18>

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4

*Response: "The Lord does wonders
for the faithful, Alleluia"*

*Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness;
you set me at liberty when I was in trouble;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.*

*How long will you nobles dishonour my glory;
how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood?
(Response)*

*But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness;
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.*

Stand in awe, and sin not;

commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.

(Response)

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness

and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many that say, 'Who will show us any good?'

Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us. (Response)

You have put gladness in my heart,

more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

In peace I will lie down and sleep,

for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety.

(Response)

THE GOSPEL: Luke 24: 36b-48

Reader: *Genevieve Richards*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: A Reading from The Holy Gospel

of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-04-18>

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Solo: *This Joyful Eastertide* by Charles Wood;

Matthew Robertson, tenor

An Affirmation of Faith

Priest: Let us confess our faith in these words
from the New Zealand Prayer Book:

**All: You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.**

**You are our God. We worship you.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession: *Led by Genevieve Richards*
In response to the words, "Risen Christ",
the community prays, "Hear our prayer".

God our Maker,
Source of Easter power and hope,
You have walked with your faithful people
through many generations,
people facing challenge and uncertainty,
people seeking your purpose and promise.
We still face challenges and uncertainty,
even with Easter in our hearts.
Walk with us and with those
for whom we pray for this day,

so that your resurrecting power
may lead us in lives of faithfulness.

Risen Christ,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for children and young people
who must think about the future in uncertain times
facing threats new to this generation
like the pandemic and climate change.

Give them hope rooted in the knowledge
that their lives matter to you.

Show them how to make a difference in the world,
whatever threats they face as they grow.

Risen Christ,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for people for whom age or experience,
illness or disability create barriers
to full participation in your world.

Surround each one in pain or despair
with your comfort and renew in each one
a sense of dignity and purpose.

Show them how much they matter to you and to us.

Risen Christ,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those facing grief
and loss in these difficult days

when it is still so hard to gather for support.

Stay with those who must rearrange their lives
without their beloved.

In a time of silence, we now bring before you
the concerns of our hearts.

(A time of silence is held...)

Give them strength and comfort
through your promise of resurrection.

We pray for communities challenged by forces beyond their control—natural disaster, political strife and the economic consequences of the pandemic. Give courage to those facing challenges, and wisdom to those who lead, so that well-being may be restored soon and hope for the future prevail.

Risen Christ,

All: Hear our prayer.

As Earth Day approaches this week, we remember before you the struggles within your creation, creatures losing habitat, unique species dying out, oceans filled with plastic, the climate warming and the havoc that results for all of us.

Jesus, you are the firstborn of all creation; Help us to honour you by caring for the earth and its fragile balances in the ways we live and the priorities we set.

Risen Christ,

All: Hear our prayer.

All these prayers we offer in confidence and hope, in the name of Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: Now we pray in the words that our Saviour taught us:

**All: 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.
And forgive us our sin
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.**

Priest: 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.**

The Blessing

Priest: And now, may the God of peace,
who brought back again
from the dead our Lord Jesus,
equip you with all you need for doing his will.
May he produce in you,
through the power of Jesus Christ,
all this is pleasing to him.
To him be glory forever and ever.

And the blessing ...

empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

***All:* Amen.**

Closing Hymn: CP 224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up your Voice

(tune: Richmond)

**Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice
and on his praises dwell.**

**Oh, with what gladness and surprise
the saints their Saviour greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes
but by his hands and feet:**

**those hands of liberal love indeed
in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed
for millions and for me.**

**His enemies had sealed the stone
as Pilate gave them leave,
lest dead and friendless and alone
he should their skill deceive.**

**O Dead arise! O Friendless stand
by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command
your host from heaven restored!**

Dismissal

Priest: Go in the the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Thank you to all who helped with this service: Presider: Rev. Daniel Fournier; Reader and Intercessions: Genevieve Richards; Musicians: Olivia Craster, Daniel Fournier, Sharon McMillan, Susanne Reul-Zastre, Matthew Robertson, and Maria Ross; Videographer: Sharon McMillan; Service Planning and Service Outline: Daniel Fournier; Proofreading, Posting Bulletin and Livestream Link at the Website: Barb Prescott; Posting the Link at Facebook: Sharon McMillan; Printing Readings and Bulletins: Bonnie Watkins.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – April 18th – April 25th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

***The service today (April 18th) and the Sundays going forward will be livestreamed from the church** – Join the livestream link (www.stlukesvictoria.ca/live) at 9:55 am to listen to the prelude. The services will also be recorded to watch later.

***Coffee Time via Zoom will start at 11:15 am after the livestreamed service.** Watch for the link, which will be sent out by e-mail and join us in your home via Zoom. Hope to see you there.

****Save the Dates for the Amazing Journey Day Camp 2021**
We are planning a small group outdoor day camp this year so please save the dates: August 9 - 13. Watch for more information to come.

****Thrifty Foods Smile Card Program Extended to June 15th**
St. Luke's has been fortunate for a number of years to receive funding for a Thrifty Foods Smile Card project. This year our project is the repair of the rock walls on the grounds. Usually each year's Smile Card Program finishes at the end of April. **This year's program has been extended to June 15th.** To date we have received \$1,558.24 towards our fundraising goal of \$2,800. **Please continue to "load up" your Smile Card over the next two months, so that we can reach our fundraising goal before the program ends.** For more information about using your Smile Card, visit the **Thrifty Foods Smile Card Fundraising page** at St. Luke's website.

****My Scale is Lying to Me!** – You are invited to St. Luke's Players' first COVID-safe, online audio play: "My Scale is Lying to Me", by Scott Mullen: a comedy about three women, and an eerily sentient scale. This radio drama is about 10 minutes long. To listen to the show for \$3 for one device, click: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/47669> and select SLP Promo. The play will be available for 48 hours. "My Scale is Lying to Me" is only available until April 23rd.

***Bishop Anna Invites Youth of the Diocese for a Conversation** – The bishop will host a meeting on April 25th with youth from across the Diocese via Zoom. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

Current Restrictions Will Remain through to the end of April – Considering the continuing increase in COVID cases across British Columbia, the bishop with the support of her archdeacons, has decided we will continue to worship online only for the remainder of April. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

Mark Your Calendars and Start Your Seeds for a Plant Sale, May 29th in the parking lot like our sale last year. The time will be 11 am – 2 pm with plants dropped off in the morning prior to 11 am. So think about perennials you can divide and pot or plant some seeds for plants to sell. See information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

Country Grocer Save A Tape Program – Please collect your Country Grocer receipts and turn them in to Bonnie at the Church Office, or mail them to the Church Office (or put in an envelope in the mail slot). Heather Simpson or Bonnie will tally the receipts into groups of \$1000. Once we have \$5000, Heather will take the receipts to Royal Oak Country Grocer and they will give us a Country Grocer Gift Card, 1% of \$5000=\$50. The money raised will be used towards an AED (automated external defibrillator) for the Church. We presently have an AED in the hall by the Church Office. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

St. Luke's Anniversary T-shirts are now available to purchase at the church office. The t-shirts, with the wonderful, colourful design chosen through the T-Shirt Design Contest, are available in sizes S-3XL at a cost of \$20 each. As well as celebrating St. Luke's Anniversary, these t-shirts are a fundraiser for St. Luke's. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

2021 Plant Stand Fundraiser for the Shelbourne

Community Kitchen – An informal Plant Stand will be set up at the end of the driveway at 3597 Thistle St. between May 1st and July 1st. So please keep this plant stand in mind as you start your seeds and divide your perennials and outdoor plants. Questions? Please talk to Barb Prescott. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website**.

Mark the Date for Synod 2021 – This session of Synod will be livestreamed via Zoom on Saturday, May 29th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Our Synod Reps, Sharon Hallsor and Sharon McMillan, will be attending on behalf of St. Luke's. The proceedings will be available for all to watch at the Diocesan website.

Thank You for your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please refer to the **DONATE page** at the website for more information.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Church of Ireland, John McDowell - Archbishop of Armagh and Michael Jackson - Archbishop of Dublin, Primates. **In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma (ACC), and the dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba South Area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (ELCIC). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville, and their priest David Chillman. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for Territory of the People Anglican Church and Bishop Lincoln McKoen.



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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY April 25, 2021

Acts 4: 5-12

Psalm 23

1 John 3: 16-24

John 10: 11-18

Flowers at St. Luke's are coordinated by Ann Séguin.