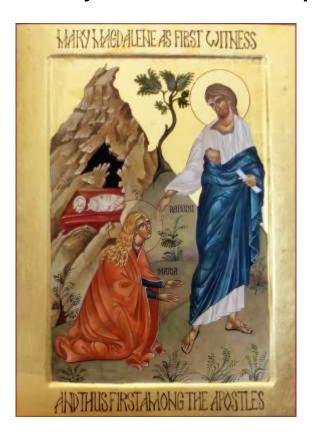
Welcome to **St. Luke Cedar Hill** Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025 10:00 am Holy Communion and Baptism



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the ləkwəŋən peoples, known in our day as the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, the traditional custodians of these lands. We are grateful for their hospitality.

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Welcome to one and all, and Happy Easter to you!

Trumpet Prelude: *Te Deum* by M.-A. Charpentier; Koshi Thompson, soloist

The Gathering of the People

Priest: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

Please stand as you are able during the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn: CP 203 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (tune: Easter Hymn)

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia! our triumphant holy day, alleluia! who did once, upon the cross, alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia! unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia! our salvation have procured; alleluia! now above the sky he's king, alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

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.
- Priest: There is one body and one Spirit,
- All: There is one hope in God's call to us.
- Priest: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- All: One God and Father of all.
- All: (Common Praise tune # 425): 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 for Easter Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

St. Luke's Handbell Choir: *That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright*; arr. by Sharon McMillan (Muriel Ali, conductor)

The Liturgy of the Word

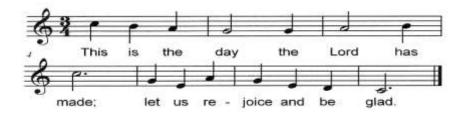
FIRST READING: ACTS 10: 34-43

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Acts.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life. All: Thanks be to God. PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24

Sung Refrain:



SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15: 19-26

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life. All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn: CP 205 The Day of Resurrection (tune: Ellacombe)

> The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad, the passover of gladness, the passover of God! From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,

and, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain his own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth her song begin; the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20: 1-18

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 John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: A Song for Easter by G. Young

Presentation of the Candidate for Baptism

The candidate for Holy Baptism is presented.

- Priest: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
- Sponsors: I present Scarlette Jane Allen to receive the sacrament of baptism.

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Priest: <i>Candidate:</i>	Do you desire to be baptized? <i>I do.</i>
Priest:	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Candidate:	I renounce them.
Priest:	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world, which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Candidate:	I renounce them.
Priest:	Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
Candidate:	I renounce them.
Priest:	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?
Candidate:	l do.
Priest:	Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Candidate:	l do.
Priest:	Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Candidate: I do.

Support from the Congregation

(Please stand as you are able)

Priest: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Scarlette in her life in Christ?

All: We will.

Prayers for the Candidate (Please be seated)

Leader: Let us now pray for Scarlette who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. **All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Send her into the world in witness to your love. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

(*Please stand as you are able and turn to the back of the church*) Priest: The Lord be with you.

- All: And also with you.
- Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- Priest: We give you thanks, almighty God and Father, for by the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.
- All: Blessed be God for ever.
- Priest: We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.
- All: Blessed be God for ever.
- Priest: We give you thanks for sending your Son Jesus. For us he was baptized by John in the river Jordan. For us he was anointed as Christ by your Holy Spirit.

For us he suffered the baptism of his own death and resurrection, setting us free from the bondage of sin and death, and opening to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with his gifts so that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Priest: We give you thanks for you have called Scarlette to new life through the waters of baptism.

Now sanctify this water, that your servant who is washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Anoint her with your Holy Spirit and bring her to new birth in the family of your Church, that she may become an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

We give you praise and honour and worship through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All: Blessed are you, our strength and song, and our salvation.

The Baptismal Covenant

Priest: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Page 9	Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ? I do.
Priest: All:	Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Priest: All:	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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.
Priest: All:	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

- the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
- Priest: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
- All: I will, with God's help.
- Priest: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
- All: I will, with God's help.

- Priest: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?
- All: I will, with God's help.
- Priest: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?
- All: I will, with God's help.
- Priest: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
- All: I will, with God's help.
- Priest: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth?
- All: I will, with God's help.

The Baptism (Please be seated)

- Priest: Scarlette Jane Allen, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- All: Amen.
- Priest: I sign you + with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own forever.

Priest: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

All: Amen.

The Giving of Light

- Priest: Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.
- All: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Priest: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Introduction of the Newly Baptized and Sprinkling of the Easter Water

The blessing and sprinkling of Easter water is a sacramental (an action connected to the sacrament of baptism). The water is blessed (traditionally at the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday). Following the blessing of the water and renewal of the baptismal covenant, the congregation may be sprinkled with this Easter Water as a sign and reminder that we are new creations through our baptisms, and that we have died to sin and are made new in Christ. It is also an act of thanksgiving and blessing.

Invitation and Peace (Please stand as you are able.)

Priest: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus and with all those who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth in which Christ became incarnate. So, come to this table, you who have faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

As we prepare to come to the table let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you. All: And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP 206 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (tune: Llanfair)

Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia! earth and heaven in chorus say, alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; alleluia! sing, ye heavens, and earth reply: alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia! fought the fight, the battle won, alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? alleluia! Once he died our souls to save, alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, alleluia! following our exalted head, alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise, alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven, alleluia! Praise to thee by both be given, alleluia! Thee we greet triumphant now, alleluia! Hail the Resurrection, thou, alleluia!

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

[Source: Eucharistic Prayer 2 - The Book of Alternative Services. 1985.]

- Priest: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- Priest: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them up to the Lord.
- Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- Priest: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

(From Common Praise # 719):

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.

Congregation may sit or kneel at this time.

Priest: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

> Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

All: Amen. (Sung 3 times - From Common Praise # 721)

The Lord's Prayer (Please stand as you are able.)

Priest: In the words that our Saviour taught us, we pray:

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. 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.

Breaking of the Bread (Setting: Land of Rest)

All: O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; Have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

The Giving of Communion

Priest: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as the congregation is invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine.

If you would prefer not to receive communion, please come forward for a blessing. Crossing your hands over your chest will signal the priest to give you a blessing instead.

NOTE: Gluten free wafers are available on request.

Please remain seated as we sing the hymns during communion.

Hymns during Communion

CP 78 Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness (tune: Schmücke Dich)

Deck yourself, my soul, with gladness; leave the gloomy haunts of sadness. Come into the daylight's splendour, there with joy your praises render to the Lord whose grace unbounded has this royal banquet founded: though all other powers excelling, with my soul he makes his dwelling.

Lord, I bow before you lowly, filled with joy most deep and holy, as with trembling awe and wonder all your mighty works I ponder how, by mystery surrounded, depth no-one has ever sounded, none may dare to pierce unbidden secrets that in you are hidden.

Shining sun, my life you brighten, radiance, you my soul enlighten; joy, the best of all our knowing, fountain, swiftly in me flowing: at your feet I kneel, my Maker let me be a fit partaker of this sacred food from heaven, for our good, your glory, given.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray you, let me gladly here obey you; never to my hurt invited, always by your love delighted: from this banquet let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep its treasure; through the gifts your hands have given let me be your guest in heaven.

<u>CP 224 Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice</u> (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!

Solo during Ablutions: *Adagio no troppo* by G. Fauré. Mary Byrne, Flute

Prayer after Communion (Please stand as you are able.)

Priest: Life-giving God,

in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

- All: 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.

Announcements

Benediction

Priest: God, the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Priest: God, the Son, who is bursting from the grave, has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

- All: Amen.
- Priest: God, the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the Risen Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.
- All: Amen.

Priest: And the blessing ...

empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 216 Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem (tune: St. Fulbert)

> Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, the paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy.

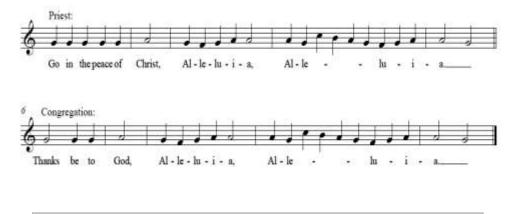
For Judah's Lion bursts his chains, crushing the serpent's head, and cries aloud through death's domains to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey at his command restore; his ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is given; to him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son; all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run.

Dismissal



Trumpet Postlude: *Bouree* by J.J. Mouret; Koshi Thompson, soloist

> Thank you to all who assisted during Holy Week and with today's service, especially to the members of the Altar Guild for decorating the church so beautifully, and the musicians for elevating our communual worship experience.

Easter Blessings to All!

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IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray today for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui - The Most Revd Andrew Chan – Primate. In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma (Anglican); for the congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (Lutheran); for Climate justice and healthy relationships with the earth (Together). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for St. Columba, Tofino, and their wardens and parishioners. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of Yukon and Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame.

Statement on the Lectionary Readings for Holy Week and Easter

Throughout Christian history, references to "the Jews" in scripture particularly in John and Acts—have been used to perpetuate negative stereotypes and falsely assign blame for the death of Jesus. These references gloss over significant distinctions among religious leaders, such as Pharisees, scribes, and Sadducees, and obscure the fact that Jesus and his disciples were themselves Jews. As Christians, we confess and lament the history of anti-Judaism associated with these texts. We renounce the evils of violence and discrimination against Jewish people. We strive for mutual understanding, respect, and partnership with Jewish neighbors and commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation among people of all faiths.

> THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS April 20th – April 27th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

**Celebrate Easter Service TODAY at 2:30 pm – This will be a short, child-friendly service, followed by an Easter Egg hunt.

**No Coffee Time This Sunday – Coffee Times will resume next Sunday, April 27th after the 10 am service.

*St. Luke's Office will be closed tomorrow Monday, April 21st (Easter Monday) and will reopen on Tuesday, April 22nd.

St. Luke's Spring Fair – Next Saturday, April 26th, from 9 am – 2 pm. Our thanks to all the convenors and helpers who will be in charge of the many stalls, but we could use your help too, please! On Saturday, we will open the doors to the public from 9 am to 2 pm, with Early Birds paying \$10 to enter between 9 and 10 am. Entry will be free from 10 am – 2 pm. Please bring donations to the hall basement any weekday morning or Thursday evening. Plants and home baking can be brought on Friday. This is a fun event for the whole community. Please call me with any questions or to offer your help. Thanks so much, Carol Turnham.

*Plants for the Spring Fair – If you are dividing plants need some help with dividing or some pots (we have extra pots), please call Noreen Saville.

*International Pipe Organ Day: Saturday, April 26th, 1 - 3 pm: Drop by the church and try out (yes, that means you get to play) our 2-manual Casavant Pipe Organ to help Victoria become the Pipe Organ Capital of Canada by setting a record for the most people playing a pipe organ that day! Your friendly organist, Susanne, will share her knowledge and raise awareness of the pipe organ, its music and the Royal Canadian Organists training programs and scholarships. This is a FREE event, so bring your kids or grandkids to create some awesome sounds! Lutheran Church of the Cross is also participating in this event, so check out their 2-manual Spilker/Smalley pipe organ across the street.

*Early Bird Registration is now open for this year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held July 7th – 11th in the mornings, 9 am to noon at St. Luke's. If you have children, grandchildren, or friends with children ages 4 through 11, please consider registering them to participate in the day camp. Children born January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2021 are eligible to be campers. The registration form can found at the News page of St. Luke's website. Early Bird Registration Fees are 1st child - \$50; 2nd child - \$45; 3rd and additional child -\$40. Leaders. Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

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Thank you for visiting today. For more information about St. Luke's, visit St. Luke's website: <u>https://www.stlukesvictoria.ca</u>, send an e-mail: <u>admin@stlukecedarhill.ca</u>, or phone: 250-477-6741. We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, April 27th, 2025

Acts 5: 27-32 Psalm 150 Revelation 1: 4-8 John 20: 19-31