



the **Church**
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

*The flowers today are given by Cathy Graham to the honor and glory of Almighty God
and in gratitude for the love and support of the parish over many years.*

Holy Eucharist at 9.00 am.

Celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

BCP pp. 67ff

Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Abraham Thomas

Collect

BCP p. 1191 For the readings please see 10.30 am.

Choral Matins at 10.30 am.

The service begins on page 1 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.

Officiant

The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Preacher

The Reverend Abraham Thomas

Sidespeople

Spencer Higgins, Robert O'Keefe, Betty Scantlebury, Ted Robinson

Director of Music

Robin Davis

Organist

Alison Jane



Prelude *Organ Concerto in B-Flat Major, Op. 4 No. 6 – II. Larghetto*
(Organist – Robin Davis)

G.F. HANDEL

Processional Hymn 215 *Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM (GAUDEAMUS PARITER)

Opening Sentences – *BCP* pp. 1-3

Exhortation *BCP* p. 4

Confession & Absolution *BCP* pp. 4-5

Officiant Almighty and most merciful Father,

All **We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare**

thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto all people in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution – BCP p. 5

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant Our Father

All **who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen**

The Officiant standing continues with the Preces.

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips;

All **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us;

All **O Lord, make haste to help us.** *You are invited to stand.*

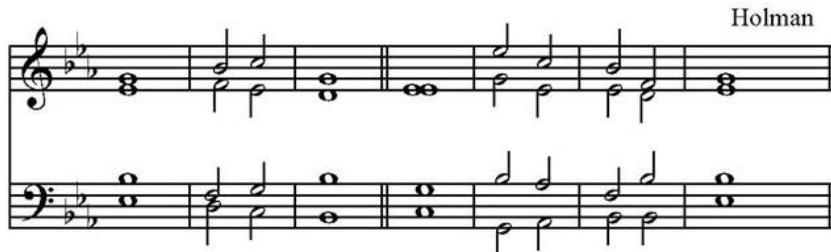
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Officiant Praise ye the Lord;

All **The Lord's Name be praised.**

The Venite – Psalm 95 BCP pp. 6-7 Sung by All.



*Alleluia. / Christ is / risen: / * O come let us worship. / Al-le / lu / ia.*

O come, let us | sing unto · the | Lord: /

* let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal | vation.

Let us come before his | presence with | thanksgiving /

* and show ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.

For the Lord is a | great | God / * and a great | King a·bove | all | gods.
 In his hand are all the | corners · of the | earth /
 * and the | strength of · the | hills is · his | also.
 The sea is | his and · he | made it / * and his | hands pre | pared the · dry | land.
 O come, let us worship and | fall | down / * and | kneel be·fore the | Lord, our | Maker.
 For he is the | Lord our | God /
 * and we are the people of his pasture, | and the | sheep of · his | hand.
 To-day, O that ye would | hear his | voice: /
 * ‘Harden not your hearts as in the Provocation, and as in the day of Temp | tation | in
 the | wilderness;
 When your fathers | tempted | me, / * proved | me, and | saw my | works.
 Forty years long was I grieved with that gene | ration, and | said, /
 * “It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they | have not | known my | ways”;
 Unto whom I | swear in my | wrath, / * that they should not | enter | into my | rest.’
 Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son, * and | to the | Holy | Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever | shall be,
 * world without | end. A| - - | men.
*Alleluia. | Christ is | risen: / * O come let us worship. | Al-le | lu | ia.*

First Reading *Acts 3.12-19*

Read by Stephanie Woodside

Reader The first lesson is written in the third chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the 12th verse.

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 4. *Cum invocarem.* All are invited to sing the Psalm.



- ¹ Hear me when I call, O | God of · my | righteousness: /
 thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and |
 hearken | unto my | prayer.
- ² O my people, how long will ye blas | pheme mine | honour, /
 and have such pleasure in vanity, and | seek | after | falsehood?
- ³ Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the | one that is | godly; /
 when I call upon the | Lord, | he will | hear me.
- ⁴ Stand in | awe, and | sin not; /
 commune with your own heart, and in your | chamber, | and be | still.
- ⁵ Offer the | sacrifice of | righteousness, /
 and | put your | trust in the | Lord.
- ⁶ There be | many that | say, / ‘Who will | show us | any | good?’
- ⁷ Lord, | lift thou | up
 the light of thy | counten | ance up | on us.
- ⁸ Thou hast put gladness | in my | heart, /
 more than when the | grain and | wine in | crease.
- 2nd ⁹ I will lay me down in peace, and | take my | rest; /
 for it is thou, Lord, only, that | makest me | dwell in | safety.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son / and | to the | Holy | Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever | shall be /
world with-out | end. A | - - | men.

Second Reading I John 3.1-7.

Read by Larry Krotz

Reader The second lesson is written in the third chapter of the First Letter of John, beginning at the first verse.

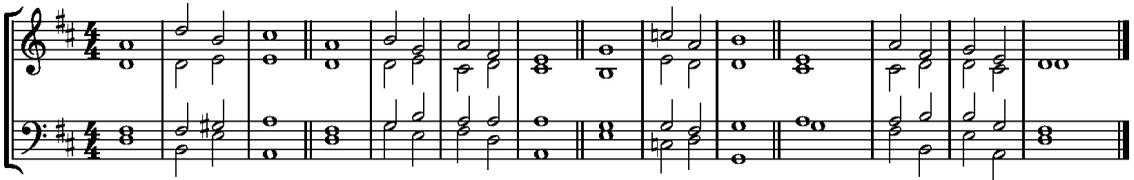
See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sins is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

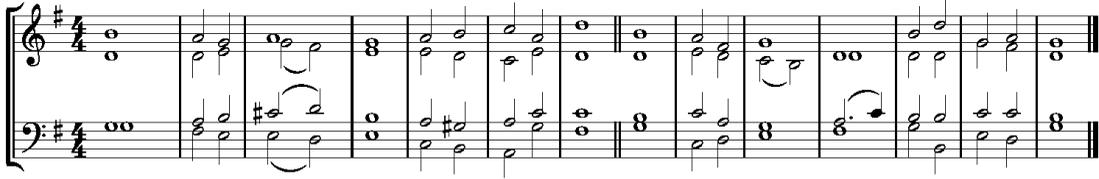
Te Deum – BCP pp. 7-9

Charles Villiers Stanford



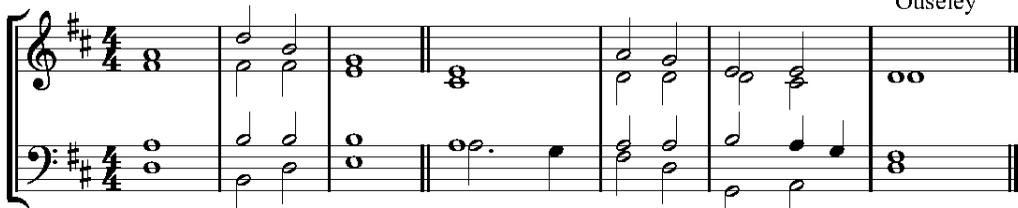
We praise ' thee, O ' God; / we acknowledge ' thee to ' be the ' Lord.
All the ' earth doth ' worship thee, / the ' Father ' ever ' lasting.
To thee all angels ' cry a 'loud / the heavens and ' all the ' powers there 'in.
To thee ' cherubim and ' seraphim /con'tinual'ly do ' cry
Holy ' holy ' holy / Lord ' God ' of ' hosts;
Heaven and ' earth are ' full / of the ' majes·ty ' of thy ' glory.
The glorious company of the a'postles ' praise thee /
the goodly fellowship ' of the ' prophets ' praise thee;
The noble army of ' martyrs ' praise thee, /
The holy church throughout all the world ' doth ac'knowledge ' thee,
2nd The Father, of an ' infinite ' majesty /
thine honourable, true and only Son; also the ' Holy ' Ghost, the ' Comforter.

C. V. Stanford



Thou art the King of ' glory, O ' Christ. /
 Thou art the ever'lasting ' Son of · the ' Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to de' liver ' man /
 Thou didst not ab'hor the ' Virgin's ' womb.
When thou hadst overcome the ' sharpness of ' death /
 thou didst open the kingdom of ' heaven to ' all be'lievers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the ' glory · of the ' Father. /
 We believe that thou shalt ' come to ' be our ' judge.
We therefore pray thee, ' help thy ' servants /
 whom thou hast redeemed ' with thy ' precious ' blood.
Make them to be numbered ' with thy ' saints / in ' glory ' ever'lasting.

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O Lord save thy people and ' bless thine ' heritage; /
 Govern them and ' lift them ' up for ' ever.
Day by day we ' magni-fy ' thee; /
 and we worship thy Name, ' ever ' world with-out ' end.
Vouchsafe O Lord to keep us this ' day with-out ' sin. /
 O Lord have mercy up ' on us, have ' mercy up ' on us.
O Lord let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our ' trust is · in ' thee. /
 O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me ' never ' be con ' founded.

Third Lesson *Luke 24.36b-48*

Read by the Reverend Canon Michael Burgess

Reader The third lesson is written in the twenty-fourth chapter of the Gospel according to St Luke, beginning at the thirty-sixth verse.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100 BCP p. 457) *Sung by the choir.*

BENJAMIN BRITTEN

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is ever lasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed – BCP pp. 10-11

Officiant I believe in God,

All **the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy**

Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you;

All **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Officiant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant Our Father

All **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

All **And grant us thy salvation.**

Officiant O Lord, save the King;

All **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

All **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Officiant O Lord, save thy people;

All **And bless thine inheritance.**

Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord;

All **And evermore mightily defend us.**

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us;

All **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Officiant Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for Peace

Officiant O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** *Collect for Grace*

Anthem *Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee*

EDWARD BAIRSTOW

*Jesu, the very thought of thee With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see, And in thy presence rest.*

Sermon

Hymn *On the Road to Emmaus*

NETTLETON (CP #397)

During the hymn a collection will be taken for the support of our ministry.

On the journey to Emmaus with our hearts cold as stone.
The One who would save us had left us alone.
Then a stranger walks with us and, to our surprise,
He opens our stories and he opens our eyes.

And our hearts burned within us as we talked on the way.
How all that was promised was ours on that day
So we begged him, “Stay with us and grant us your word.”
We welcomed the stranger and we welcomed the Lord.

And that evening at the table as he blessed and broke bread,
We saw it was Jesus arising from the dead;
Though he vanished before us we knew he was near
The life in our dying and the hope in our fear.

On our journey to Emmaus, in our stories and feast,
With Jesus we claim that the greatest is least:
And his words burn within us let none be ignored
Who welcomes the stranger shall welcome the Lord.

The Prayers

Led by Ian Corlett

Other prayers may be added at the discretion of the clergy.

General Thanksgiving – BCP pp. 13-14

Officiant Almighty God,

All **Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.**

Prayer of St Chrysostom – BCP p. 15

The Grace

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Announcements

Hymn 231 *That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Postlude *Organ Concerto in B-Flat Major, Op. 4 No. 6 – I. Andante-Allegro* G.F. HANDEL
(Organist – Robin Davis)

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In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Eglinton Deanery.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer: St. Bride, Clarkson, its involvement in the Caring and Sharing network, Compass community centre and food bank, and Community Church Volunteers, and its support of Hands Across the Nation outreach in developing countries; St. Chad, and its monthly community supper; St. Christopher, and its community environmental stewardship programs.

Parish Cycle: Tony Pearce, Ross & Barb Pearson, Carol Peck, Penny & John Pepperell

Home Bound Parishioners: Sabrina Hogan, Everton Morris, Denise Orioux, Lucy Simons, Vernita Theobalds, Barbara & Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children going to Church School | Please gather at the entrance of the Church near the font to meet with Sileen Phillips, Children's Ministry Co-ordinator, and Carol Peck.

Coffee Hour | We hope you will join us for coffee hour which is in the Parish Hall immediately after the service. If you would like to help with this important ministry of hospitality please speak with Fran Brown or Laurie Sanderson.

Altar Flowers | If you wish to donate on these dates or any other date in 2024, please contact Sheila Thomas, 416-921-2593.

Flute Street Concert - April 14th | Flute Street invites you to its upcoming concert on Sunday April 14 at 4pm at SPSS. Featured soloists performing with this fourteen-member chamber orchestra comprised exclusively of flutists playing nine different sizes of flutes, will be two familiar SPSS faces: Joshua McFaul, our own wonderful bass-baritone and on harpsichord and organ, our indefatigable music director, Robin Davis. Delight to concertos by Vivaldi and Handel, a Canadian premiere of a modern work based upon an Easter chorale by Bach, an English folk suite by John Rutter and much more. Nancy Nourse, artistic director; Isaac Page, conductor. Pay what you can (cash only) - \$20-\$30 suggested. For more information visit www.flutestreet.ca.

The Society of Mary | will host *Rosary and Benediction* at the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle on Tuesday, April 16th at 7pm. Instead of the usual social hour there will be an opportunity to explore this beautiful and historic sacred space.

SPSS Book Club | The idea has been raised to start and SPSS Book Club/Reading Group here at SPSS. Please speak with Fr Geoff or Fr Abraham if you are interested in participating.

An Eastertide Evensong: Sunday, May 5th at 4.30 pm.

This service will be a simple congregational Evensong with a musical meditation, offering works by G.F. Handel and J. S. Bach.

Denise Williams, *Soprano* Geoffrey Sangwine, *Baritone* David Smith, *Piano/Organ*

An offering will be taken to support the Afterschool Program at SPSS.

SPSS Choir Presents *MASS in the TIME of War* - F.J. Haydn



A concert of hope and reflection
featuring the Choir of
St. Peter & St. Simon-the-Apostle
and the Arcady ensemble,
Conducted by Robin Davis

Can We Sing the Darkness to Light?
KYLE PEDERSON

Hymn To The Creator Of Light
JOHN BUTTER

Hail, Gladdening Light
CHARLES WOOD

Mass in Time of War
FRANZ JOSEPH HAYDN

Arcady
ENSEMBLE

Sat. May 11, 2024, 3:00 pm
Tickets \$30 available on **eventbrite**



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Hymn Notes #215 – *Come, ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

St. John of Damascus (c.696-780) was the last of the Greek Church Fathers. The greatest poet of the Greek Church, he received the title “Chrysorrhous” (Stream of Gold) for his poetic gifts. An important official in Damascus, John sold his possessions and entered a monastery near Jerusalem. He wrote Canons for the great festivals of the Christian year. This hymn, the first ode of the Canon for Morning Prayer on Low Sunday, is based on the “Song of Moses” (Exodus 15:1-18).

John Mason Neale (1818-66), the most learned hymnologist of his time, is best known for his translations of Latin and Greek hymns. He believed that hymns should be the common property of Christianity. Thus he did not copyright his hymns and translations. His translation of this hymn was published in 1850, and it was included in the Appendix to *Hymns Ancient & Modern* (1868). *Gaudeamus Pariter* was written by Johann Horn (c.1490-1547) who became the leading bishop of the Bohemian Brethren in 1532. He helped write the doctrine of the Brotherhood in 20 articles and edited the 1544 edition of the Brethren’s German hymnal, which included this tune. It was later included in a German Catholic hymnbook (1584) to accompany a Marienlied (*Ave Virgo Virginum*).



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We acknowledge that in gathering to worship Almighty God,
we are in the traditional territory of many First Nations peoples
including the Mississaugas of the New Credit,
the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein." Psalm 24.1.