



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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024

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Holy Eucharist at 9.00 am

Celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Abraham Thomas

For Collect and readings, please see 10.30 am.



Choral Eucharist at 10.30 am *Traditional Rite*

Celebrant	The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine
Preacher	The Reverend Abraham Thomas
Assisting	The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess
Music Director	Robin Davis
Organist	Alison Jane
Head Server	Fen Nanton
Servers	Gary Toneguzzo, Vincent & Celine Wong
Communion Ministers	Fen Nanton & Audrey Hughes
Sidespeople	Larry Krotz, Rogers Beyongyera, David McPherson, Marina Caytap, Barbera Pearson
Mass Setting	Gloria – Merbecke; Sanctus/Benedictus Agnus Dei – <i>Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena</i> – Healey Willan

The service is taken from the *Book of Common Prayer, 1962*
and the *Book of Alternative Services, 1985*.

Children going to Church School are invited to gather by the font.
Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.

Please join us for coffee after the service in the Parish Hall.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Folk Tune*

PERCY WHITLOCK

Processional Hymn 474 *Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet*

WARRINGTON

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Celebrant Mat his grace and peace be with you.

All **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria - Hymn Book #679

Celebrant Glory be to God on high,

All **and in earth peace, good will towards all.**

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty, O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do thy will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Lesson *Acts 4.5 – 12.*

A reading from the Book of Acts.

Read by Glenna Sims-Bonk

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, ‘By what power or by what name did you do this?’ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, ‘Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is “the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.” There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.’

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 – Hymn 519

CRIMOND

Epistle *1 John 3.16 – 24*

Read by Carol–Faye Petricko

Reader A reading from the First Letter of John.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

ARR. ROBIN DAVIS

All **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Cantor The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

All **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel *John 10:11 – 18*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

All **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Homily The Reverend Abraham Thomas

The Nicene Creed *Please Stand*

Celebrant I believe in one God,

All **the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall**

come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Led by Peggy Needham

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the Confession of Sin. Silence is kept. Please kneel.

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. *Revelation 5. 12.*

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 620 *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

ST. PETER

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. Amen.

Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee,
and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer – sung by all.

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say, 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 those who 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 Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant We do not presume,

All **to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord,
Trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy:
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh
of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

Agnus Dei

All **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.**

Holy Communion

Holy Communion will be administered at two stations at the front of the Church, in both kinds, bread and wine. The fullness of the sacrament is present in the bread and/or the wine alone. If you are not drinking from the common cup, you may touch the base of the chalice while the words of administration are said.

Hymn 77 *The Son of God Proclaim*
301 *How Blessed Is This Place*

SUNDERLAND
ANNESLEY

Motet *The Lord Is My Shepherd*

HOWARD GOODALL

*The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want,
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
He leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil, For you are with me, You will comfort me,
Surely goodness and mercy, Shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

Thanksgiving After Communion

Celebrant God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of thy Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries, come safely to thine eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

All **Almighty God, we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer ourselves, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee. Send us out in the power of the Spirit, to live and work to thy praise and glory; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Hymn 300 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude *Psalm Prelude No 3 (Set One)*

HERBERT HOWELLS

In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion The Anglican Church of Australia.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer The Season of Spiritual Renewal, Vocations for Ministry: Ordained, Lay and the Religious Life.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer *Pray for* St. Clement, Eglinton, its weekly community lunch program, scholarship programs in Haiti and for Indigenous students in Canada, refugee sponsorship, and support of the Flemingdon Park Ministry and food bank as well as agencies providing supportive housing for vulnerable people in the community; *for* St. Cuthbert, Leaside, its community garden, support of Flemingdon Park Ministry and Flemingdon Park Food Bank, Moorelands Community Services, clothing collection for New Circles Community Services and All Saints Community Centre, support for women leaving shelters, and participation in refugee sponsorship; *and for* St. Cyprian, its support of Neighbour Link community services, the Mission to Seafarers, Flemingdon Park ministry, community garden, and other local and global outreach.

Parish Cycle: Rees Pepperell, Carol–Faye Petricko, Marjorie Philip, Valda Phillips.

Home Bound Parishioners Marie Adams, Alice Fox, Dennis Gittens, Lawrine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, Everton Morris, Denise Orioux, Lucy Simons, Vernita Theobalds, Barbara & Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

About the Postlude

Today is about “Good Shepherd” Sunday and Psalm 23. Howells wrote the postlude in 1915 when he was diagnosed as terminal with Graves disease at age 25 on Psalm 23 vs 4, ‘though I walk through the valley of death..’ It starts with a steady ostinato in the pedal and ominous tenor voice, before evolving into a more peaceful mode, rising to a exultant expression of trust and faith, before surrendering to a quiet and transcendent conclusion. Howells wrote this on the train to London from Winchester, where he was assistant cathedral organist. He was receiving experimental radioactive iodine treatment, which cured him. He lived to age 92, dying in 1983. Challenged with many tragedies in his life, including the loss of his nine year old son Micheal to polio (the hymn tune *Micheal*, ‘*All my hope on thee is founded*’, was composed as a result), he had a final triumph. He told one of his organ students at Oxford that he would become prime minister one day and that he would write a Partita for him. Prime Minister Edward Heath sat in the front pew at St Paul’s Cathedral for its first performance by Howells in 1972.

Parish Announcements

Advisory Board Meeting | Wednesday, April 24th at 7 pm by Zoom.

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.

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 CONCERT on May 11th: MASS in the TIME of War

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 RUTER
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

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Hymn Notes*Jesus, Wher'er Thy People Meet (CP#474) & How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds (CP#620)*

Two hymns today come from *Olney Hymns* (1779), an influential collection favoured by the evangelical movement in England and America. The book was the result of the collaboration of John Newton and William Cowper. They wrote the hymnal “to promote the faith and comfort of sincere Christians.” The hymns of both reflect peace and thankful contemplation. John Newton (1725-1800), the author of *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*, is best known today as the author of *Amazing Grace*. He spent his early life at sea and engaged in the slave trade. After reading *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas a Kempis, Newton turned his life around. Ordained in 1764, he worked as curate of Olney (1764-1780). Newton then moved to St. Mary’s, Woolnoth, London, where he was in the center of the evangelical movement. William Cowper (1731-1800) was one of England’s great poets who wrote of life and scenes in the English countryside. He came to Olney in 1767 and worked in the parish with Newton until 1780. He wrote *Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet* in 1769 for the first prayer meeting held at the Great House in Olney.

This Week at Glance, April 22-28

Monday to Friday

12 pm to 1pm Parish Hall – Homework Club

Tuesday, April 23

7pm Parish Hall – Alt-Vox practice

Wednesday, April 24

11 am Nave – Sung Eucharist, followed by Lunch in the Parish Hall.

7 pm Advisory Board by Zoom

Thursday, April 25

4pm Chapel – SJTCA Children’s Choir

7pm Choir Room – SPSS Choir Practice

Saturday, April 29

9 am to 2 pm Parish Hall/Sitting Room – Berea 7th Day Adventist Church

2 pm to 6 pm Nave – San Lorenzo, wedding rehearsal

Sunday, April 28 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Chapel – Holy Eucharist

10.30 am Nave – Choral Eucharist

Parish Hall – Coffee Hour After the 10:30 am Service

1 pm to 6 pm Nave & Parish Hall – San Lorenzo Ruiz Anglican Church

3 pm to 6 pm Chapel – Kenyan Christian Fellowship



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Church Office Hours	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

SERVICES

Sundays

9.00am	Weekly Holy Eucharist (in the Chapel of Holy Spirit)
10.30 am	1 st and 3 rd Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite
2 nd Sunday	Choral Matins (unless announced)
4 th Sunday	Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
5 th Sunday & Evensong	As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am	Weekly Sung Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
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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.