



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

SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER

Rogation Sunday

May 5, 2024

Holy Eucharist at 9.00 am

Celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

Celebrant The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine



Choral Eucharist at 10.30 am *Traditional Rite*

Celebrant The Reverend Abraham Thomas
Preacher The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine
Assistant The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess
Music Director Robin Davis
Organist Johan van 't Hof
Head Server Fen Nanton
Servers Paul Mitchell, Ferdinand Galingan, Celine and Vincent Wong
Communion Ministers Gerry Courage, Fen Nanton,
Mass Setting Gloria – Merbecke
 Sanctus/Benedictus & Agnus Dei – *Missa Aeterna Christi Munera*
 Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Children going to Church School are invited to gather by the font.

Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.

Welcome to SPSS.

Please join us for coffee hour after the 10.30 am service.

Directions are suggested to stand, sit or kneel at certain times during the service. Please note these are guidelines and we encourage you to take the posture that is comfortable for you.

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

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Meditation, Sixth Sonata*

ALEXANDRE GUILMANT

Processional Hymn 434 - *The Love of Jesus Calls Us*

AURELIA

Greeting

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. 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 Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson *Acts 10.44–48.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Read by Nancy Nourse

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ‘Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?’ So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

Sung by all. Please remain seated.

Ivor Atkins



- 1 O sing unto the ' Lord a · new ' song; /
for ' he hath · done ' marvel-lous ' things.
- 2 With his own right hand, and with his ' holy ' arm, /
hath he ' gotten him'self the ' victory.
- 3 The Lord hath de'clared his · sal'vation: /
his righteousness hath he openly ' shown · in the ' sight · of the ' nations.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and his faithfulness toward the ' house of ' Israel; /
and all the ends of the world have seen the sal'vation ' of our ' God.
- 5 Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, ' all ye ' lands: /
sing, re'joice, and ' give ' thanks.
- 6 Praise the ' Lord up-on the ' harp: /
sing to the ' harp · with a ' psalm of ' thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also and the ' sound · of the ' horn, /
 O show yourselves joyful be'fore the ' Lord, the ' King.
8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that ' is there'in; /
 the round world, and ' they that ' dwell there'in.
9 Let the floods clap their hands,
 and let the hills be joyful together be'fore the ' Lord; /
 for he is ' come to ' judge the ' earth.
10 With righteousness shall he ' judge the ' world,/
 and the ' peoples ' with ' equity.

Epistle *1 John 5.1–6*

Read by Alan Rands

Reader A reading from the First Letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 553 *Ubi Caritas*

UBI CARITAS

The Holy Gospel *John 15:9–17*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

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

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

Jesus said, “as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the

servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another”.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Prayers of the People

Led by Gerry Courage

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant They that soweth little shall reap little; and they that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let everyone do according as they are disposed in their heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. *2 Corinthians 9. 6, 7.*

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 645 – *Come Down, O Love Divine*

DOWN AMPNEY

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of glory, accept all we offer this day and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Prayer of Consecration – Hymn Book 682

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:

Choir Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis *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. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. 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.**

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

Choir Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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 is administered at the High Altar and a standing station at the St Peter's Altar in the south aisle. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. Fold your hands over your chest to indicate this to the administering priest. Please follow the directions of the sides-people.
- You may choose to receive the bread only where the fullness of the sacrament is present. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, simply receive the bread and return to your seat. You may also touch the base of the chalice while the words of administration are said.
- Intinction (dipping the bread into the chalice of wine) is not permitted in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto.

Hymn during Communion 494 *Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels*

COMFORT

Motet *I Give to You a New Commandment*

PETER NARDONE

I give to you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.

Ubi caritas est vera, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity is true, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be glad in him. Let us fear and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Ameen.

Thanksgiving After Communion

Celebrant Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, 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

Recessional Hymn 255 *Eternal God, your Love's Tremendous Glory*

HIGHWOOD

Dismissal

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

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

Postlude *Aeterna Christi Munera*

HEALEY WILLAN

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall.

In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer New Curates of the Diocese of Toronto.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer *Pray for St. Francis of Assisi*, its Christmas hampers, and support of local food security programs and the Pikangikum water project; *for St. George Memorial, Oshawa*, its monthly community lunch offering toiletries and gently-used clothing, participation in the Mary Street school breakfast program and St. Vincent soup kitchen, prayer shawl ministry to the community and St. Michael's Hospital, crafts for

overseas and weekly Fill in the Gap drop-in from November through March; *and for St. George on Yonge*, its bimonthly distribution of gift cards, involvement in refugee resettlement, ESL classes, support of the local food bank, and hosting of a Creative Inclusion program for Ukrainian refugee children and families.

Parish Cycle Jane Rajantie, Ted and Isabelle Robinson, Cynthia Rogers & James Tory.

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.

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 | Donations for Altar Flowers are requested for 2024. If you wish to donate, please contact Sheila Thomas, 416-921-2593.

Food Bank Donations | Please remember to bring a non-perishable food item to support the Food Bank at St Bartholomew's Church and the Fire Hall, Daily Bread Food Bank.

Lay Pastoral Visitors | There will be a meeting on Sunday, May 12th at 12.15 in the Sitting Room. We are working to renew this important ministry in our parish. If you are interested in participating, please join us.

Doors Open at SPSS, May 25-26th. | Please speak with Larry Krotz if you would like to participate as a greeter/guide.

Sunday, May 12, Ascension Sunday | 9.00 am Holy Eucharist/10.30 am Choral Eucharist.

Readings: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53.

This afternoon at 4.30 pm – *An Eastertide Evensong*

This service will be a simple Evensong with congregational canticles and hymns as well as a seasonal musical meditation with 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 Programme at SPSS.

SPSS CONCERT on May 11th: *A Concert of Hope and Reflection*

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 RUTTER

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 [CanadaHelps.org](#)

 the **Church of St Peter and St Simon**-the-Apostle 525 Bloor Street East

Be a Change Maker

As part of the choir's upcoming concert theme "Can we Sing the Darkness to Light" reflecting on the state of the world we are currently living in, donations of "spare change" will be gratefully accepted at the ticket desk in the Narthex after the service. All funds collected will go to the Anglican Church's Primate's World Relief and Development fund and its agencies in the Ukraine and Gaza. If you wish a tax receipt, please put the change in a zip-loc bag identified with your names.

SCAN and DONATE

To make a donation to the Church, open up the camera on any smartphone and point it at the QR code and a web page will open to take you directly to Canada Helps' donation page for the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle. You will receive an auto-generated tax receipt emailed directly from CanadaHelps.org



Hymn Notes *Come Down, O Love Divine (Common Praise # 645)*

Bianco da Siena (d.1434) joined the Jesuits in 1367 in Siena. This was an order of unordained men who followed the Augustinian Rule. Bianco wrote his hymns for those who wanted to sing at worship, so he wrote them in the language of the people. His hymns were forgotten for 400 years. Then 92 of them were published in Italy in 1851. This hymn was

translated into English in 1867 by Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-90). Littledale graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, and was ordained in 1857. After a brief time as a parish priest, he devoted his career to literature. He edited *The Priest's Prayer Book* (1864). When John Mason Neale died in 1866, Littledale assumed the task of completing Neale's *Commentary on the Psalms from Primitive and Medieval Writers*. Littledale wrote hymns of his own as well as translating hymns into English from seven languages. His main object was to teach through prayer and praise. Ralph Vaughan Williams wrote *Down Ampney* to accompany these words for *The English Hymnal* (1906). He named the tune for his birthplace in Gloucestershire.

Pilgrimage of Prayer for Peace

On May 11 & 12, dozens of Christians & people of faith will embark on a Prayer Pilgrimage across Toronto. If you are interested in joining at any time, we are walking, rolling & singing across Bloor, Danforth Ave & Kingston Road from Etobicoke to the Rouge Hill GO Station over 2 days. All info & a registration page are at:

<https://www.kairoscanada.org/event/toronto-gaza-ceasefire-pilgrimage>.



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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
Evensong	As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am	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.