

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 11, 2025



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

*The flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God
from Marina Caytap in thanksgiving for Mother's Day and all God's blessings.*

† HOLY EUCHARIST AT 9.00 AM †

The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.

Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

† SUNG EUCHARIST AT 10.30 AM †

Celebrant

The Reverend Abraham Thomas

Preacher

The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Assisting

The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess

Interim Music Director

Daniel Webb

Choir

Parish Choristers

Servers

Paul Mitchell, Tony Pearce

Communion Ministers

Paul Mitchell, Audrey Hughes

Mass Setting

A Community Mass – David Hurd

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.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Pastorella*, BWV590 - 1st movt., *Prelude* and 2nd movt., *Allemande*

J.S BACH

Processional Hymn 351 *Rejoice in God All Earthly Lands*

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

Greeting

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All

The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Celebrant

May his grace and peace be with you.

All

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Celebrant
All

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

D. HURD

Celebrant
All

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit,
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 your will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Lesson *Acts 9.36-43*

Read by Isabelle Robinson

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!" Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 520 (Psalm 23) *The King of Love*

ST COLUMBA

Epistle Revelation 7.9-17

Read by Ted Robinson

Reader A reading from the revelation to St John the Divine.

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?" I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Acclamation – Hymn 405 vv. 1-2

ALLELUIA NO. 1

The Holy Gospel *John 10.22-30*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the Temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never

perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one.”

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Acclamation – Hymn 405 vv. 3-4

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Homily The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Nicene Creed *Please stand. Said together.*

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Led by Regi Khokher

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invited the confession of sin.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy**

on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Absolution is pronounced.

The Peace *all stand as able*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Hymn at the Offertory 207 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

SALZBURG

Prayer over the Gifts

Great Thanksgiving *BAS pp. 196-197*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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.

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.

Celebrant 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 forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now as our saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

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.**

Fraction

Celebrant Lord, we died with you on the cross

All **Now we are raised to new life**

Celebrant We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Celebrant Live in us, that we may live in you.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace.

Holy Communion

- All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.
- Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health.
- You are also welcome to receive only the bread if you prefer. Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion.
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available, please indicate this to the priest.

Hymn 85 *Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless*

ST AGNES

Motet *The Lord is My Shepherd*

HOWARD GOODALL

Thanksgiving After Communion

Celebrant All your works praise you, O Lord.

All **And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, ring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Hymn 399 *Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET

Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Postlude *Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot', BWV 678*

J.S. BACH

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall.
The service is taken from the *Book of Alternative Services, 1985.*



In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

Diocesan Cycle: Theological Education / Vocations for Ministry.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle: *St. George, Allandale*, its Deacon's cupboard, support of Hospice Simcoe, the David Busby Centre, Samaritan House and Grove Park seniors' home; for *St. George, Fairvalley*, its support of Mariposa House Hospice, FaithWorks, and area foodbanks; *St. George, Grafton*, its provision of affordable seniors housing through the Haldimand Court Apartments, Community Care Dinners, monthly Soup Lunch, Christmas hampers and food donations, and support of Transition House in Cobourg.

Parish Cycle: Marie Adams, Marelyn Adams, Michael & Sara Adamson.

Home Bound Parishioners: Marie Adams, Evelyn Baird, Glenna Charles, Alice Fox, Dennis Gittens, Lawrine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, Marian McPherson, Everton Morris, Denise Orieux, Lucy Simons, Vernita Theobalds, Marie Samuels-Isaac, Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

Hymn Notes: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (CP # 520)

This paraphrase of Psalm 23 is a recasting of the paraphrase by George Herbert, “The God of Love My Shepherd Is.” William Henry Baker (1821-77) was born in London, the son of a baronet. In 1844, he graduated from Cambridge and was ordained in the Church of England. A high churchman, he had an interest in hymnody. He was chairman of the committee which produced *Hymns Ancient & Modern*. As chairman, he also took on the position of editor and made any alterations to hymns he thought fit. One unhappy author wrote that the name should be changed to “Hymns Altered & Mutilated.” *Dominus Regit Me* was written specifically for Baker’s words. The combination first appeared in *Hymns Ancient & Modern* (1868). The tune’s name is the Latin incipit for Psalm 23. The composer John Bacchus Dykes (1823-76) wrote more than 300 hymn tunes. He graduated from Cambridge (1847) and helped to found the Cambridge Musical Society. He was a canon at Durham Cathedral and received a DMus from Durham University (1851). A high churchman, Dykes came into conflict with the Bp. of Durham. Dykes resigned his position and died in poverty.



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Church Office Hours	Tuesday to Thursday - 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

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.