



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Sunday, May 3, 2026**

**† Holy Eucharist at 9.00 am †**

The service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer.  
Celebrant & Homilist The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess

**† Festal Eucharist at 10.30 am †** *Traditional Rite*

Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess  
Music Director Mervin Fick  
Choir Parish Choristers  
Servers Ferdinand Galingan, Betty Scantlebury, Celine Wong, Vincent Wong,  
Gary Toneguzzo

Communion Minister Marina Caytap

Mass Setting *Communion Server in F major - H Sumsion*

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

**We invite you to join us for coffee after the service.**

## The Gathering of the Community

**Prelude 2** Chorale Variation on “Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above

D BUXTEHUDE

**Processional Hymn 377** To The Name Of Our Salvation

ORIEL

### 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* 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.**

*Celebrant* Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord;  
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,  
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.  
This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it:  
Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*All* **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts,  
we beseech thee.**

### Gloria

MERBECKE

*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* Almighty God,

Your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.

Give us grace to love one another

And walk in the way of his commandments,

Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

One God, now and for ever

*All*        **Amen**

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

**New Testament Lesson** Acts 7:55-60

Read by Larry Krotz

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>‘Look,’ he said, ‘I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!’ <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’ <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them.’ When he had said this, he died.

*Reader*     The word of the Lord.

*All*        **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16** *Please remain seated. Sung Cantor/All.*

CHANT - III-5

IN thee, O LORD, have I put my trust; /  
let me never be put to confusion; deliver me in thy righteousness.  
Bow down thine ear to me; /  
make haste to deliver me,  
And be thou my strong rock and house of defence, /  
that thou mayest save me.  
For thou art my strong rock and my castle: /  
be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.  
Draw me out of the net that they have hidden for me; /  
for thou art my strength.  
I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind; /  
I am become like a broken vessel.  
For I have heard the whispering of the multitude, and fear is on every side; /  
while they conspire together against me, and plot to take away my life.

**Epistle 1Peter 2:2-10**

Read by Mark Garbutt

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

‘See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.’ To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner’, and ‘A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.’

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn 508** I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say

KINGSFOLD

**The Holy Gospel** John 14:1-14

*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.**

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe<sup>[a]</sup> in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to the place where I am going."<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you know me, you will know<sup>[d]</sup> my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup> Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe<sup>[e]</sup> because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me<sup>[f]</sup> for anything, I will do it.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Homily

Choir *Christ Is Our Cornerstone*

D THORNE

**Nicene Creed** *Please stand. Said together.*

*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

## Confession and Absolution

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

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

*All* **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.**

*The absolution is pronounced.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And with thy spirit.**

### **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.*

## **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn 491** The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns ST MAGNUS

**Prayer over the Gifts – BAS Easter 5 or BCP as below -- Fr M to choose.**

*Celebrant* Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. *1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14.*

### **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.  
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.**

*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* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia!

*All*        **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

### **Prayer of Humble Access**

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

## Holy Communion

- All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.
- Communion is administered at the High Altar and at the St Peter's Altar in the south aisle.
- 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.

**Motet** *Confitemini Domino*

*16<sup>th</sup> Century Anon*

**Hymn 521** Dear Shepherd Of Thy People

STOCKTON

### Thanksgiving After Communion

*Celebrant* God of Love,

In this eucharist we have heard your truth

And shared in your life.

May we always walk in your way,

In the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*Celebrant* 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.**

### Blessing

**Hymn 515** Thou Art The Way: To Thee Alone

ST JAMES

### Dismissal

*Leader* Go forth into the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia!

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

**Postlude** Gigue Fugue

D BUXTEHUDE

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall.

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

### **In our Prayers this Week**

The Anglican Communion: The Church of North India (United)

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

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle: Pray for St. Francis of Assisi, its Christmas hampers, and support of local food security programs and the Pimatisiwin Nipi 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 involvement in refugee resettlement, ESL classes, support of the local food bank, and Diocesan FaithWorks ministries.

Parish Cycle: Russell Smith, Sheila Smith, Carl Smith, Rex Southgate

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



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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.*