



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



**The Resurrection of Our Lord
April 4, 2021**

**The Holy Eucharist
Easter Sunday
April 4, 2021 10:00AM**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Prelude: “All Glory Laud, and Honour”- arr. Christine D. Anderson
“Barb Hignell, handbells”

The congregation stands and faces the entrance to the church

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

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

Celebrant Almighty God,

People **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.**

The congregation remains standing for...

Processional Hymn: #203 “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!**

**But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!**

Glory to God

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.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray (*All kneel*)

**Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have
overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him.
May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in
glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

*At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: The Word of the Lord.
And the people shall respond: Thanks be to God.*

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Karin Barg

On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare
a feast of rich food for all peoples,
a banquet of aged wine—
the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy

the shroud that enfolds all peoples,
the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears
from all faces;
he will remove his people's disgrace

from all the earth.

The LORD has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say,

“Surely this is our God;
we trusted in him, and he saved us.
This is the LORD, we trusted in him;
let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Karen Hudson

15 Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance^[a]: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas,^[b] and then to the Twelve.

⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

⁹ For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹ Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Gradual Hymn: “The Wonder of the Cross”

The wonder of the cross shall be our meditation.

To gather in that shadow when the sun went down.

To weep with those who thought that you were leaving,

You were leaving, Jesus.

The humble King who never wore an earthly crown.

To steal away at night when they took down your body

With love and tears to leave you in a borrowed grave

To go with Mary to the place they laid you,

Where they laid you, Jesus

And in the morning find the stone was rolled away.

Chorus: **The cross, O the wonderful cross**
 What glory, what victory I've found
 I'll come to the wonderful cross
 And my whole life I lay down.

Were heaven's praises silent in those hours of darkness?
Your Holy Spirit brooding round that empty throne?
Until the declaration, "He is Risen."
You are risen, Jesus,
"He is not dead, behold He lives forever more" Chorus

All stand for the Gospel

The Gospel John 20:1-18

René Boeré

Reader: The Lord be with You.
People: **And also be with you.**
Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there,⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him."

¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

¹⁷ Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says, The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Rev Steve Bateman

Anthem: "Crown Him Lord This Easter Day" – Don Besig and Nancy Price

Sung by Karen Hudson, Angela Van't Land, Joanne Collier, Brandon DeGorter,

Scott Van't Land and Trudi Mason, trumpet

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say, (*together, standing*)

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 (*All kneeling*)

Greg Young

(The prayers will end with "*Let us pray to the Lord*"
and the congregational response will be "*Hear us Lord of glory!*".)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer We pray for all of our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the world as we rejoice on this Easter day.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer We pray for the people of St. George, Calgary and their clergy Clara King, Derek Hoskin and Joan Carson. In our companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for Cathedral Church of St. George (Parish of St. George & St. Andrew) with Transfiguration. The Ascension and Holy Redeemer and The Very Rev. Samuel Nichols.
Parish Cycle of Prayer: In our own parish we pray for those in service and Mission and Outreach: PWRDF Coordinator, Parish Hamper volunteers, ECM and Stephen ministers.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and the people say together,
Most merciful God, 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you**

Offertory: “Hymn Medley” – arr. Christine D. Anderson
 “Barb Hignell, handbells”

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

All God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 3.

The Rev Steve Bateman

(please remain standing)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise 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 We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted. Our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All we remember his death,
 we proclaim his resurrection,
 we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (All kneel)

Celebrant And now as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All Our Father, 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 Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant: The body and blood of Christ given for you.

All: Amen.

The Communion

Celebrant Please join me in an act of Spiritual Eucharist

Gracious God, I repent of my sins, and steadfastly believe that Jesus Christ has suffered death upon the cross for me, and that he shed his blood for my redemption. I earnestly remember the benefits I have because of his death and give him my heartfelt thanks. I eat and drink the body and blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to my soul's health, although I do not receive the sacrament with my mouth.

Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer pp 584

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. (All kneeling)

All **God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

(all stand)

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

Recessional Hymn: "Thine Be the Glory"

Thine be the glory

Risen conquering Son

Endless is the victory

Thou o'er death hast won

Angels in bright raiment

Rolled the stone away

Kept the folded grave clothes

Where Thy body lay

Thine be the glory

Risen conquering Son

Endless is the victory

Thou o'er death hast won

Lo! Jesus meets us

Risen from the tomb

**Lovingly, He greets us
Scatters fear and gloom**

**Let the church with gladness
Hymns of triumph sing
For her Lord now liveth
Death hath lost its sting**

**Thine be the glory
Risen conquering Son
Endless is the victory
Thou o'er death hast won**

No more we doubt Thee
Glorious Prince of life
Life is naught without Thee
Aid us in our strife

**Make us more than conquerors
Through Thy deathless love
Bring us safe through Jordan
To Thy home above**

**Thine be the glory
Risen conquering Son
Endless is the victory
Thou o'er death hast won
Hallelujah, Amen**

Dismissal

Priest: **ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!**

People: THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

Postlude "Easter Glory" (Low in the Grave He Lay and Christ the Lord is Risen Today)
arr. James Curnow Trudi Mason, trumpet

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of Bob, Jennifer and Norah,
Sara, William and the Hogg, Grey and Pickett families
and Lilly and Marie

Thank you to our technical crew this morning.

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