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Sunday, April 19, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

A Service of the Holy Eucharist
Third Sunday of Easter

In Christ we are a caring community
seeking and welcoming others to join us on our faith journey.

WELCOME

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN 239

ST. ALBINUS

1 Je - sus lives! Thy ter - rors now can no more, O
2 Je - sus lives! Hence - forth is death but the gate of
3 Je - sus lives! For us he died; then, a - lone to
4 Je - sus lives! Our hearts know well nought from us his

death, ap - pal us. Je - sus lives! By this we know
life im - mor - tal; this shall calm our trem - bling breath
Je - sus liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide,
love shall sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell

thou, O grave, canst not en - thral us.
when we pass its gloom - y por - tal. Al - le - lu - ia!
glo - ry to our Sav - iour giv - ing.
tear us from his keep - ing ev - er.

All remain standing. The presiding celebrant greets 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
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 IN EXCELSIS *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*

Healey Willan (1880–1968)



celebrant *all*

1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,
we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly
King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - v.
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;
5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the

right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us.

8. For thou on-ly art ho-ly; thou on-ly art the Lord; 9. thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. —

A - - - - - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The celebrant shall say, Let us pray.

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Acts.

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader The word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17

Sung by all.

Adapted from *Allein Gott in der Höh*
by William Bradley Roberts



- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my suppli-**cation**, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon **him**.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took **hold of me**; *
I came to grief and **sorrow**.
- 3 Then I called upon the name of the **Lord**: *
“O Lord, I pray you, save my **life**.”
- 10 How shall I repay the **Lord** *
for all the good things he has done for **me**?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of sal-**vation** *
and call upon the name of the **Lord**.
- 12 I will fulfil my vows to the **Lord** *
in the presence of all his **people**.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the **Lord** *
is the death of his **servants**.
- 14 O Lord, I am your **servant**; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my **bonds**.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanks-**giving** *
and call upon the name of the **Lord**.
- 16 I will fulfil my vows to the **Lord** *
in the presence of all his **people**.
- 17 In the courts of the Lord’s **house**, *
in the midst of you, O Jeru-**salem**. **Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Peter

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your

souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The "Alleluia" is sung once by the precentor and then repeated by the congregation.

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Choir Lord Jesus, open to us the scriptures: make our hearts burn within us while we speak.

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."

Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Priest The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

SERMON

The Rev. Joseph Dirbas

NICENE CREED

BAS 188

All stand.

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.**

All stand or kneel, as able.

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

All **For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.**

Leader For Charles our King. For all in positions of authority and trust. For this community, our country, and the world;

All **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation that we may use its resources rightly to the honour and glory of your name;

All **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

All **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

All **For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.**

Leader In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma). On our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Deanery of North Vancouver, the Diocesan Youth Movement, All Saints, Agassiz, the Territory of the People, and for our life together in Christ. We pray for Shane our Primate, John our Archbishop and Metropolitan, and for our own clergy. And we pray for the bishop, clergy and people of our companion Diocese of Northern Philippines and our partner parishes, St. Michael the Archangel, Guina-ang, St. Joseph Church, Mainit, and Holy Trinity Mission, Dalican. For all bishops, clergy, and other ministers.

All **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For our own needs and those of others. We pray for those we remember in our parish this morning, Elizabeth Gaines, Elinor Gavin, Ghazal Gholami, Michael Gillette, and Marilyn Gillette. For the sick and all those on our parish prayer list and for those you remember silently or aloud;

Silence the people may add their own petitions.

Leader Hear us, Lord;

All **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence the people may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

All **And praise your name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that we may have a place in your eternal Kingdom. We pray also for the Faithful Departed in our Memorial Book: Alan Mitchell. Alma Rusko, Alan Jones, Jocelyn Cass, Gwendoline Ridley, Harold Craven, William Cameron, Brian Parker, Thomas Murray – Priest, James Holme, David Smith, and for those you remember silently or aloud.

Silence the people may add their own petitions.

Leader Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

All **Who put their trust in you.**

The leader continues.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, Love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in dark earth ma - ny days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;

Refrain
 love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise him all creatures here below.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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;**

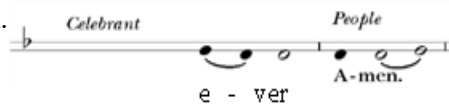
The celebrant continues.

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

BAS 211

Celebrant As our Saviour, taught us, let us pray,

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.**

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.

AGNUS DEI

Healey Willan

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

THE COMMUNION

BAS 213

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion.

The gifts of God for the People of God

People **Thanks be to God.**

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please receive the bread by holding out your hands. To receive the wine, please gently guide the chalice to your lips, or simply touch the base of the chalice if you prefer not to drink from it. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is not permitted in our diocese. All are welcome to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sides person to have Communion brought to you.

1 Au - thor of life di - vine, who hast a ta - ble spread,
2 Our need - y souls sus - tain with fresh sup - plies of love,

fur - nished with mys - tic wine and ev - er - last - ing bread,
till all thy life we gain, and all thy ful - ness prove,

pre - serve the life thy - self hast given, pre - serve the life thy -
and, strength - ened by thy per - fect grace, and, strength - ened by thy

self hast given, and feed and train us up for heaven.
per - fect grace, be - hold with - out a veil thy face.

1 Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a -
 2 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the
 3 For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to
 4 We with thanks do ap - prove the de - sign of that
 5 Hal - le - lu - jah we sing, to the heav - en's high

rise and re - joice in the day thou wast born.
 days by our gra - cious Cre - a - tor be - stowed,
 share, both the na - ture and king - dom di - vine!
 love which has joined us to Je - sus' name;
 King, and our rap - tu - rous prais - es re - peat:

On this fes - ti - val day, come ex - ult - ing a -
 while by grace we re - ceive from God's boun - ty, we
 Now cre - a - ted a - gain that our lives may re -
 so u - ni - ted in heart, let us nev - er - more
 to the Lamb that was slain, hal - le - lu - jah a -

way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn.
 live to the hon - our and glo - ry of God.
 main, through - out time and e - ter - ni - ty thine.
 part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.
 gain, sing all heav - en, and fall at his feet.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand or kneel, as able.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *All are seated.*

HYMN 210

MACCABAEUS



1 Yours be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son;
2 See! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb;

end - less is the vic - tory o - ver death you won.
lov - ing - ly he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom.

An - gels robed in splen - dour rolled the stone a - way,
Let the church with glad - ness hymns of tri - umph sing,

kept the fold - ed grave - clothes where your bo - dy lay.
for her Lord is liv - ing; death has lost its sting!

Refrain

Yours be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son:

end - less is the vic - tory o - ver death you won.

All remain standing.

THE BLESSING

The celebrant blesses the people

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

All remain standing for the retiring procession.

POSTLUDE

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

For health, wellness, support, and comfort:

River, Azhar, Fran, Nancy, Don, Marlene, Dianne, Sandy, Jane, John, Priscilla, Oakley, Hayley, Peter, Lynne, Sherrill, Alexandra, Anthony, Catherine, Nora, Bill, Susan, Tricia, Jacob, Alison, Stephanie

Celebrant	The Rev. Joseph Dirbas
Preacher	The Rev. Joseph Dirbas
Assisting Clergy	Paul Richards
Server's Guild	Karyn Eisler
Music Director	Maria Golas
Organist	Ülo Valdma
Greeters	Gerard & Mary Ponsford
Welcome	Richard Hampson-Thorpe
First Reader	Lenore Richards
Second Reader	Veronica Wright
Prayers of the People	Karen Archer
Livestream Guild	TBA
Coffee Set-up	Erin & Gay Hallenburg
Coffee Clean-up	Richard & Susanna Hampson-Thorpe
Altar Guild	Richard & Susanna Hampson-Thorpe

*Flowers at the altar this week are given to the Glory of God by Rachael Wright
in loving memory of Colin Wright.*

**Please join us for coffee and tea in Griffiths Hall. If you are joining us for the first,
time, please ask for directions.**

Food Bank Sunday – April 19

Thank you for the generous donations of food for our local food bank. The items collected and delivered today will be blessed and sent to the food bank this week.

Pop-up Youth Choir – April 24, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

All children ages 9 and older are invited to join us for an evening of singing and fellowship. Maria Golas will teach us to sing in harmony by ear (no music reading experience is necessary). We will also have pizza and games!

Himig Kabataan Cultural Society Choir Concert – April 25

Himig Kabataan (meaning “youthful melody”) is the first Filipino Choral Music Ensemble in Vancouver. This choir is recognized throughout the world and has recently been invited to a choral competition in Vienna. They are offering two concerts at Holy Trinity, one at 2 p.m. and one at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$30 each and are available in the office or through the HKCS. Contact himikabataanchoir@gmail.com

An Invitation to Pray

A time for quiet prayer, a time to light a candle, a time of sacred music, quiet, and peace. Join us on **Tuesdays from 5 – 7 p.m.** and step into a calm, contemplative environment, even if for just a moment or two. Any and all are welcome!

Women’s Group – Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

Join the women of the parish for a time of fellowship and conversation. We meet in the library on Mondays. All are welcome.

Baby Café – Fridays from 10 a.m. - Noon

This is a free offering to all in our local community. An opportunity for families with infants and toddlers to gather for play time and community building. If you know new moms looking for connections, please let them know about this amazing opportunity.

Prayer Shawl Knitters – Monday, May 4 at 10 a.m.

If you like to knit and enjoy fellowship come and join us! We gather in the library on the first Monday of the month.

Bible Study

Our bible study has began the reading of the Revelation to John. This is a book full of imagery and emotion. We meet in the library on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. All are welcome

Upcoming Meetings

The finance committee and trustees will be meeting this week. The parish council will meet on Wednesday, May 6 at 7 p.m. Please hold those in leadership positions in our parish in prayer as we continue to discern and pray about how best to answer our call from God.

WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship with us today. We are a joyful, inclusive service-oriented community. Our church building is a sacred space and a house of prayer for all. Our parish is composed of people from infants to grandparents, from cradle Anglicans to seekers, and we pride ourselves in being a place where a diverse range of opinions are held and respected. While we are a varied group, we strive to be unified as the Body of Christ.

We centre ourselves around our baptismal vow to, “strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being.” Our community also extends far beyond our pews as we seek to feed, clothe, and support people who are in need.

We pray you will feel at home here and, no matter your reason for joining us. We welcome you with open arms regardless of your race, age, culture, ethnicity, nationality, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, marital status, previous religious affiliation, or socioeconomic status. All are welcome at The Church of the Holy Trinity, and we hope to see you back here soon! Please feel free to contact us.

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