



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: HOLY EUCHARIST

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

We are in the heart of downtown Toronto and we gather to celebrate on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Our beautiful building connects us to the rich heritage of our city while also drawing us deeper into the roots of our Anglican tradition. Just as the streetscape around us has evolved over the years, our members have changed to reflect the growing, vibrant and progressive Christian community found at the Redeemer today. We come from a variety of faith traditions (and sometimes no faith tradition at all), and we like it that way. We are students, workers, retired, homeless, not limited by sexual orientation, gender identity or personal history. We are at the very beginning of our life with Jesus and we are deeply steeped in a life complicated by faith. We open our doors to worship God and to learn about Jesus, and how all of this might just transform our lives.

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Land Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn: #60 (Common Praise) "I Come with Joy" Please rise, as you are able & sing



- 1. I come with joy, a child of God, for giv en, loved, and free, the 2. I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are fed, the
- 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di vi sion ends. The 4. The spir it of the ris en Christ, un seen, but ev er near, is
- 5. To geth er met, to geth er bound, by all that God has done, we'll



TEXT: Brian Wren (1936-), 1971, 1995 Hope Publishing Co. MUSIC; Melody American trad.; coll. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983); 1989 The United Methodist Publishing House.

life of Je re-call. love laid down for SHS to in me. new com-mu - ni - ty of love in Christ's com-mu - nion bread us makes us one, and strang - ers now love that made friends. in such friend-ship bet - ter known, a - live a - mong us here. go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one.

▼ The Easter Greeting

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

The Gloria: #366 (Common Praise)



1. Glo-ry, in the high - est glo-ry, peace to all, in all their days.
2. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, Lamb of God, for sin-ners given,



Wor-ship, thanks, and praise un-ceas-ing to the Source of all we raise: Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma - ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:



sap - phire height, hid - den reign - ing in the from our sight, mor - tal the realms ho - ly one, to you hear us in day, we pray,



now re-ceive our a-dor-a-tion, as we make our sup-pli-ca-tion. with the Spir - it there u-nit-ed, and the God-head high ex-alt - ed.

TEXT: Glory to God (Gloria in excelsis, Greek hymn, 200?); para. Paul Gibson (1932-) ©.
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The Collect of the Day

Priest: Almighty and eternal God,

the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt,

may we, who have not seen, have faith

and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

First Reading

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Reader: The word of the Lord. Acts 5.27-32

People: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 150 (George Black)

Refrain



Hallelujah! Sing praise in God's holy temple;

let praise resound in the highest heaven.

Praise God for every mighty act;

praise the wonder of surpassing greatness. Refrain

Praise God with the blast of the ram's-horn;

O praise with tuneful lyre and harp.

Praise God with timbrel and dance;

O praise with joyful strings and pipe. Refrain

Praise God with resounding cymbals;

re-echo with loud-clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise our God.

Hallelujah! Refrain

Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Revelation 1.4-8

People: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Song: "Talkin' bout a Revolution" (*Tracy Chapman*)

Don't you know

They're talkin' 'bout a revolution

It sounds like a whisper

Don't you know

They're talkin' about a revolution

It sounds like a whisper

While they're standing in the welfare lines

Crying at the doorsteps of those armies of salvation

Wasting time in the unemployment lines

Sitting around waiting for a promotion

Don't you know

Talkin' 'bout a revolution

It sounds like a whisper

Poor people gonna rise up

And get their share

Poor people gonna rise up And take what's theirs

Don't you know

Oh I said you better

'Cause finally the tables are starting to turn Talkin' bout a revolution
Yes, finally the tables are starting to turn
Talkin' bout a revolution, oh no
Talkin' bout a revolution, oh

The Gospel

Deacon: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

John 20.19-31

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Angie Hocking

Please be seated

A moment of silence is observed

The Prayers of the People

Cantor: In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying,

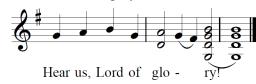
"Hear us, Lord of glory!"

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection,



let us pray to the Lord.

All:



Cantor: That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength

in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Cantor: That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love,

let us pray to the Lord.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Cantor: That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Cantor: That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Cantor: That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Cantor: That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people,

that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

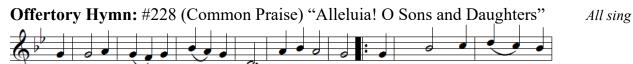
All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

During the singing of the hymn, we gratefully offer back to God some of what we have been given, symbolically in the bread and wine brought to the altar and in the money we give. If you would like to make a financial contribution to the ministry of the Church of the Redeemer, please place your offering on the plate as it is passed to you.



1. O sons and daugh-ters. 4. That night the a - pos - tles Al - le-lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! 5. When Thom - as first the 6. "My pierc - ed side. long - er 7. No Thom - as blest are 8. How thev who 9. On this most ho - lv



let sing! The King of heaven, the glo - rious King, o'er death tomet in fear: a - midst them came their Lord most dear, and said, "My tid - ings heard, how they had seen the ris - en Lord, he doub-ted Thom-as, see: be - hold mv hands, mv feet," said he; "not faith-less, then de - nied: he saw the feet. the hands, the side; "Thou art my have not seen, and yet whose faith has con - stant been, for they days, God your hearts and voic - es raise in laud and day to



TEXT: Latin; attrib. Jean Tisserand (15th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866). MUSIC: Melody Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noels, Paris 1623.

- day rose tri umph-ing.

 peace be on all here."

 the dis ci ples' word. Al-le-lu ia!

 but be liev ing be."

 Lord and God," he cried.
- ter nal life shall win.
 ju bi lee and praise.

▼ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of grace, you have freed us from our sins

and made us a kingdom in your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord.

Accept all we offer you this day,

and strengthen us in the new life you have given us,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

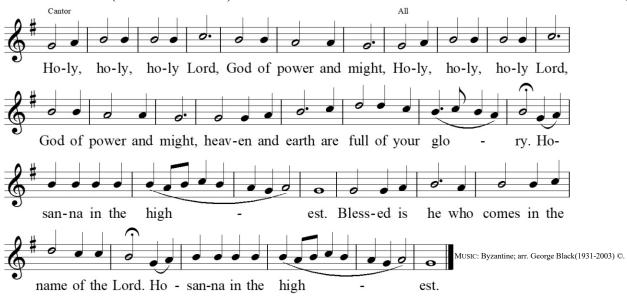


Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: Worship and praise belong to you, Father, in every place and at all times. You made us, all the people of the world, and everything that is. You give us the daylight. Your Word lights up our minds. Jesus was born among us to be light in our darkness. Your Spirit lives in us so that we can look at the world with your eyes. One day we will be with you in heaven, but already we laugh with the saints and angels, and sing their joyful song:



Priest: Father, you never forget us or turn away from us, even when we fail you. You sent your Son Jesus who gave his life for us. He healed those who were sick, cared for those who were poor, and cried with those who were sad. He forgave sinners and taught us to forgive. For all your love we give you thanks in the way that Jesus showed us.

On the night before he died, while he was having supper with his friends, he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

So, as we do what he told us, we open our hearts to him; we remember how he died and rose again to live now in us. Together with him we offer you these gifts: in them we give you ourselves. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine, that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, and that, sharing your life, we may travel in your company to our journey's end. With all your people we give you thanks and praise through the Son and in the Spirit, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal-lowed be your name,



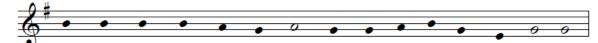
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins



as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil



For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men.

MUSIC: McNeil Robinson © 1979, Theodore Presser Co.

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Fraction Anthem: "Christ our Passover"

The Giving and Receiving of Communion

Priest: Dear friends,

I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now.

For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion

– not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste –

but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.

There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how.

You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you:

One: Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.

You wait for me and only I can let you in.

I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.

Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood, that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

The Communion



All in the church are invited to come forward to receive communion. If you need a glutenfree wafer, please indicate when you arrive at the communion station. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms as shown in the picture on the left and the clergy will be pleased to offer you a blessing.



- 1. I found him cra-dled in a lamp-lit barn; his moth-er Ma-ry rocked
- 2. I heard him laugh-ing in the tem-ple court the day his par-ents lost
- 3. I saw him weep-ing ov-er sin and death, the sick and dy-ing round



him. The child was God they hung to - day on a big high cross and they him. The boy was God they hung to - day and I'll nev - er know what it him. The man was God they hung to - day on a big high cross when I



mocked him there. One day on, the tomb is si-lent; one day on, all heav-en cost him there. Two days on, the tomb is si-lent; two days on, all heav-en found him there. Three days on, the tomb is o-pen! Three days on, the loud re-



weeps; one day on, and e - ven star-light hid from Christ who sleeps. weeps; two days on, and still the star-light hid from Christ who sleeps. frain: Christ has died, and Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

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Motet: "Beautiful Things" (Lisa Gungor/Michael Gungor)

All this pain

I wonder if I'll ever find my way

I wonder if my life could really change, at all

All this earth

Could all that is lost ever be found?

Could a garden come out from this ground, at all?

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

All around,

Hope is springing up from this old ground Out of chaos life is being found, in you

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of the dust

You make beautiful things

You make beautiful things out of us

You make me new,

You are making me new

Prayer after Communion

Please rise, as you are able

Priest: Father, we have seen with our eyes

and touched with our hands

the bread of life. Strengthen our faith

that we may grow in love for you and for each other;

through Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

All: Amen.

The Doxology

Priest: 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

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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Faith Formation

At Church of the Redeemer, we offer a variety of faith formation programs. For our youngest members and their families, we offer Pyjama Prayers on Zoom on Friday Nights at 6:45 PM. This is a time of story, songs, and prayers at the end of a week. For children (JK-Grade 6) we offer Church School Sundays at 9:30 AM on Zoom, these lessons help us connect, learn about Jesus, and have some fun. Our youth group (Grade 7-12) gather on Zoom at 9:30 AM to discuss, share life, and learn. Contact Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca) for more information about Children, Youth and Families.

Worship and Spirituality

During the Week

Mid-day Prayer

Members of our community gather for mid-day prayer **Monday through Saturday** on Zoom at **12:15 PM**. For about 20 minutes we pause to hear scripture read and to pray for what's on our hearts and for the cares and concerns of the world. The Zoom link and list of readings is sent out each week through eNews. The order of service is on our website (theredeemer.ca).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website with a link shared on the Facebook page. This is an invitation to set aside time during the day to read scripture, to reflect and to offer prayers. The order of service for this coming Wednesday will be posted on the website (theredeemer.ca).

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese, and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

On Sunday

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern. If you have people or situations that you would like but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a **prayer request form** on the website (theredeemer.ca). These will be added in the Zoom chat in the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

In the Community

Write a Message for Angie!

With Angie's departure from the Redeemer and continuing her ongoing ministry within the city, we want to thank her for all that she has done for this community! Please <u>visit the Kudo board (kudoboard.com/boards/Ae12YLBB)</u> in the latest Thursday edition of eNews to write a personalized message, upload any memorable images, add your own goodbye video, wishing her all the best in her new role.

Diocese Postponing Green Stage

Announced on Wednesday, the Diocese of Toronto will be postponing the move into the Green Stage that was originally planned for April 27 and is now planned to take place on the Feast of Pentecost, on June 5. We will continue with requiring masks during services. We will wait to return to the common cup. Conversations will happen with Steven and the Executive about our next steps. To read more about the postponement, <u>visit the diocese's website</u> (toronto.anglican.ca).

Support Us

Last year was one where hopes for a return to life as it once was, seemed within reach and still not yet. Through it all, we have worshiped, learned, served and celebrated together. In the midst of on-going uncertainty, there is still much to be grateful for. As the calendar year starts anew, please consider reviewing your financial support of our vital ministry. If your givings need to remain the same or be reduced - thank you for your continuing donations. Your gifts make a difference. If you have the capacity to increase your givings or to give for the first time, we are grateful.

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- online through CanadaHelps. There is a link on our website www.theredeemer.ca/donate
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- by cheque or cash on the collection plate when we gather for worship in the church