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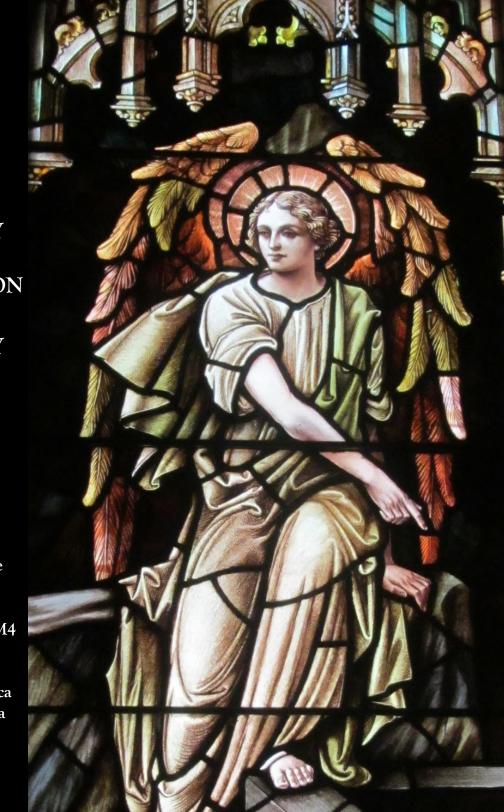
EASTER DAY

HOLY <u>EUCHA</u>RIST

SUNDAY APRIL 9, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.

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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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Welcome

Land Acknowledgment

Steven Mackison

Opening Song: "Here Comes the Sun" (George Harrison)

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Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo Here comes the sun, and I say It's alright

Little darlin', it's been a long, cold, lonely winter Little darlin', it feels like years since it's been here

Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo Here comes the sun, and I say It's alright Little darlin', the smile's returning to their faces Little darlin', it seems like years since it's been here Here comes the sun Here comes the sun, and I say It's alright

Sun, sun, sun, here it comes Sun, sun, sun, here it comes

Little darlin', I feel that ice is slowly melting Little darlin', it seems like years since it's been clear

Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo Here comes the sun, and I say It's alright

Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo Here comes the sun It's alright

It's alright

★ The Easter Greeting

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: The stone is rolled away.

People: Death has been vanquished.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: God of glory,

by the raising of your Son

you have broken the chains of death: fill your church with faith and hope,

for a new day has dawned

and the way of life stands before us;

through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour.

People: Amen.

efore us;

Steven Mackison

First Reading

Henry Krol

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

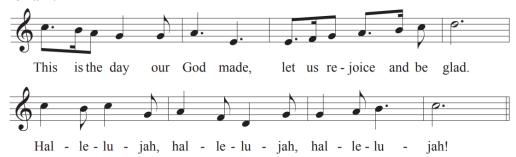
Acts 10.34-43

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 118 (George Black)

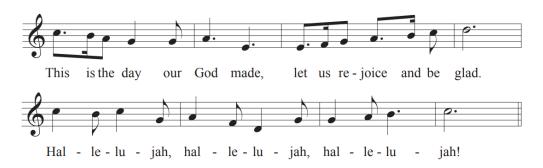
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Refrain:



Give thanks to God who is good; whose mercy endures for ever. Let Israel now proclaim,

"God's mercy endures for ever." Refrain



God is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Most High has triumphed!

the right hand of the Most High is exalted!

the right hand of the Mighty One has triumphed!"

Refrain

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of God. God has punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death. Refrain

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to God. "This is the gate of the Holy One; those who are righteous may enter." Refrain

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. Refrain

This is God's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. On this day our God has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Refrain

Second Reading

Henry Krol

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that

are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

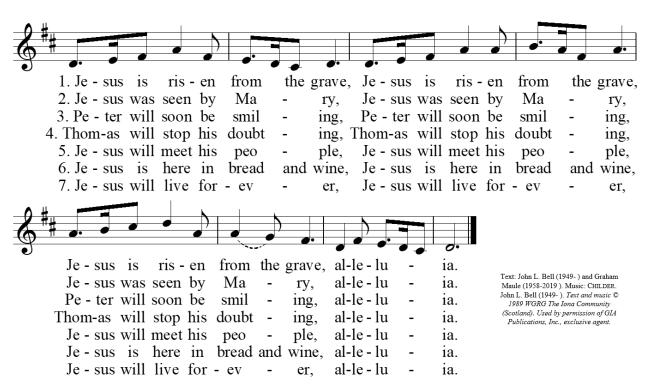
Colossians 3.1-4

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Hymn: #232 (Common Praise)"Jesus is Risen from the Grave"

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The Gospel

Andrew Kuhl

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running

together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." 'Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 20.1-18

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Steven Mackison

A moment of silence is observed.

Anthem: "Ain'a that Good News" (William Dawson)

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Statement of Faith

Steven Mackison

Priest: We believe in God,

All: who is older than eternity and younger than our next breath;

who is beyond describing yet knows us all by name; who inspires faith

yet cannot be contained by religion.

We believe in Jesus Christ, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone; Priest:

> he came in the body to give worth to every human life.

He touched the untouchable

loved the unlovable

All:

All:

and endured slander, persecution and death.

Priest: We believe that God's Kingdom comes on earth through Christ's suffering love;

he rose from the grave as living proof that what is laid down in faith will be raised in glory.

He ascended to heaven

to be present in all times to all people.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, *Priest:*

All: who leads us into truth and freedom, who gives good gifts to all God's children, who works through prayer and politics,

> through justice, care of creation and the healing of the nations.

We celebrate the potential God has given us: Priest: All:

the life in our bodies, the yearning in our souls,

and the promise of good things in store for those who love and serve their maker. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Anne Gircys

Leader: 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: Hear us, Lord of glory!

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength Leader:

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

All: Hear us, Lord of glory! Leader: 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!

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

All: Hear us, Lord of glory!

Leader: 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!

Leader: 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!

Leader: 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!

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence or in the chat box.

Priest: Gracious God, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Peace Steven Mackison

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

People: And also with you.

Hymn: #229 (Common Praise) "Who is There on this Easter Morning"

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grave? Nor sees how, death's do - min-ion scorn-ing, Je - sus is ris - en, came, for ver - y joy but half be - liev - ing; whose is the voice that call! Christ is in tri - umph now as - cend - ed, ris - en and reign - ing



save? Who is there this Eas-ter strong to on morn - ing runs not with stood where Ma-ry, griev - ing, calls her name? Who has not to that first Who is there doubts that night is Lord of all! end - ed? Hear from on



John to find the grave? Eas-ter gar-den came? high the trum-pets call! Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-). © 1984 Hope Publishing Co. Music: QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR.

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The Lord's Prayer

Steven Mackison

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Giving and Receiving of Communion

Steven Mackison

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 Doxology

Steven Mackison

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,

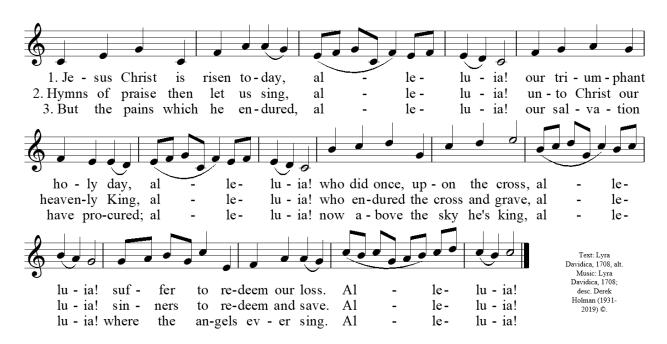
in the Church and in Christ Jesus

for ever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

Steven Mackison

Redeemer Music Team



The Dismissal

Andrew Kuhl

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Our thanks go out to all who contribute financially to the Redeemer community. Our ability to continue to offer outreach support through the Common Table and maintain our rich and varied worship and program life is possible thanks to the generous donations of parishioners and friends of the community. Thank you for your generosity.

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Easter Flowers

The flowers in the church are placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Garth's sister, Maggi Goddard, by Susan and Garth Goddard, and of Barbara Sinclair and her rubber duckie, by Pamela Thomson.

Ministry Updates

Mask-wearing

The diocese is strongly recommending as much as possible that we all wear a mask when in indoor settings, including our church building.

The Rev'd Susan Haig

On Sunday, March 26, it was announced that our associate priest, The Rev'd Susan Haig will be retiring. Her last Sunday with us is Pentecost - May 28. While Susan won't be with us in all the ways that she has been over the past few years, later this year, she will join the ranks of our honorary assistants.

We will celebrate Susan's ministry in the weeks to come and wish her a blessed retirement.

The Rev'd Andrew Kuhl

It was announced on Sunday, March 19 that our assistant curate, The Rev'd Andrew Kuhl has been appointed as the next incumbent at the <u>parish of Craighurst and Midhurst</u>. Andrew's last Sunday with us will be April 30 and we will celebrate his time in our midst!

Assistant Curate Appointed

The Venerable Steven Mackison is pleased to announce that Paige Souter will be joining the pastoral team on May 7 as our next assistant curate. Paige will be ordained a transitional deacon on April 30 at St James Cathedral. Please hold Paige in your prayers as she prepares for her ordination day. Welcome, Paige.

Doug Smith to be Ordained

Doug Smith, who was a member of our parish community until postulancy requirements took him to other places to serve will be ordained a transitional deacon on Sunday, April 30 at 4:30 PM at St James' Cathedral. Please hold Doug in your prayers as he prepares for his ordination day.

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 are sent out each week through eNews.

Tuesday Meditation

Tuesday Meditation with Lilian Junkin gathers for 30 minutes in the chancel at 12:15 PM for a peaceful mid-week reflection.

If you have any other questions, please contact Lilian (<u>lilian.n.junkin@gmail.com</u>).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website. 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).

Upcoming Garden Eucharist Dates

Our Garden Eucharists at the home of Karen and Michael Visser are continuing, weather permitting. Please join us for the next one on Saturday April 29 at 2:00 PM.

More information will be forthcoming as the Garden Eucharist Saturday approaches, but we wanted you to mark your calendars now. If you have any questions, please be in touch with Susan Haig (shaig@theredeemer.ca) or Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

On Sunday

Children, Youth and Families

We have resources available in church for children and specific resources for Youth. All families are invited to participate in worship together. Please find these resources in the back pew on the west side of the church!

Our regular Church School and Youth Group gatherings will return next week. Church School happens during 10:30 service. Children are invited to go downstairs after the collect with our Church School Volunteers for a 30 minute lesson, returning at the Eucharist.

Youth Group is happening on alternating weeks with Youth participating in worship on other weeks. Weeks when youth are in worship, please feel free to use some of the Youth Resources available, and if you would like to sit together with Finn and Tom in the east transept you are very welcome!

If you have children or youth who are school aged, feel free to contact Andrew Kuhl to get on our contact list for up-to-date information! If you are a family with young children interested in programming for young families, please contact Andrew Kuhl (akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

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 included but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a <u>prayer request form</u> on the website (theredeemer.ca). These will be offered silently by one of the priests during the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

Worship Team at 10:30

Do you ever feel you are in a rut? Would you like to try something new?

Have you heard that it can be "good for you" to move outside your "comfort zone"? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please read on! And even if you didn't answer yes, read on anyway as we have testimonials from two of our team members. They speak from the heart.

The Sunday morning Worship Team could use a few more **Communion Ministers** and people to pass the **Offertory Plate**.

If you would like to learn more about each of those roles, read reflections from <u>John</u> and from <u>David</u> about what it is that they like about being part of the team. And if you would like to join the worship team for these or the other ways members of our community share in the leadership of worship, <u>contact Mary Jane Wilson through the church office (office@theredeemer.ca</u>).

Our Common Life

Zoom Coffee and Conversation

After the services, the connection on Zoom will be kept open for a post-service coffee time. We will pause for about five minutes to allow time to grab a cup of coffee, tea or a cool beverage and return for a time of conversation.

Coffee Time at the Church

Coffee and cookies are available **before** the 10:30 service. Why not arrive early for conversation over coffee or tea until 10:20? All who attend worship services in the church building are also invited to linger for a time of conversation and coffee in the narthex – the space at the back of the church – immediately following the service.

The Common Table

The Common Table is closed from April 6 - 10, reopening on Tuesday, April 11.

Refugee Settlement Committee

Since the arrival of Abdikadir, Asho and their sons, there has been a great deal of interest in the family and in the work of the Refugee Settlement Committee. As an introduction, you're invited to read the brief article on the church website, theredeemer.ca, under "How we serve". It details the committee's history and myriad roles in helping the newcomers settle into their new lives in Canada.

If you'd like to make a **financial contribution** to welcoming this family to Canada, you can <u>donate through CanadaHelps</u> and the Welcome Abdikadir and Family to Canada campaign page. CanadaHelps will provide an immediate tax receipt.

Parish Resources

Parish Operations Manager On-Site

Susan Graham Walker, Parish Operations Manager, is on-site most Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 AM to 12 PM. Please don't hesitate to connect by email (sgwalker@theredeemer.ca) or text (647-215-8814).

How Are You Doing?

Our clergy are available to meet with you to talk and for prayer as is helpful to you. You can contact them through the church office (416-922-4948) or by email (Steven Mackison – smackison@theredeemer.ca, Susan Haig – shaig@theredeemer.ca, Andrew Kuhl akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

Pastoral Care Calls

Volunteers from the pastoral care team continue to call members of the Redeemer community to check in with them. Please contact Tony Crosbie (tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca) if you know someone who would benefit from a call from one of the pastoral care team.

WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday, April 16 (Easter 2A)

9 AM – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

8 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Sunday, April 23 (Easter 3A)

9 AM – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

7 PM – Earth Day Prayers (in the Church and through YouTube)

8 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)