



Second Sunday of Easter

St. Augustine Parkland Anglican Church
131 Church Road
Spruce Grove Alberta

10 a.m. Holy Baptism Service, April 24th, 2022

Rector: Father Neil
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In Christ Alone - Pre-Service Hymn

In Christ alone my hope is found - He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground - firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace - when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All - here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh - fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness - scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died - the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid - here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay - light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day - up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory - sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine - bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death - this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath - Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man - can ever pluck me from His hand;
'til He returns or calls me home - here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright - CP 231

That Eastertide with joy was bright; - the sun shone out with fairer light,
alleluia, alleluia!
when to their longing eyes restored, - the apostles saw their risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

He bade them see his hands, his side, - where yet the glorious wounds abide;
alleluia, alleluia!
the tokens true which made it plain - their Lord indeed was risen again.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

From every weapon death can wield - thine own redeemed forever shield;
alleluia, alleluia!
O Lord of all, with us abide - in this our joyful Eastertide.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus, the king of gentleness, - do thou thyself our hearts possess,
alleluia, alleluia!
that we may give thee all our days - the tribute of our grateful praise.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray,
All: **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. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading (Winnie)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

When they had brought the apostles, 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 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."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:14-29

Alleluia, alleluia! - Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord is my strength and my song, - and has become my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: - "The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted! - The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

I shall not die, but live, - and declare the works of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! - Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord indeed punished me sorely, - but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness: - I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; - here the righteous may enter."

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

Alleluia, alleluia! - Alleluia, alleluia!

The stone that the builders rejected - has become the chief cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done; - it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; - let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia, alleluia! - Alleluia, alleluia!

Hosanna! O Lord, save us! - We pray to you, Lord, prosper our days!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; - we bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God and has given us light. - Form a procession with branches up to the corners of the altar.

You are my God, and I will thank you; - you are my God, and I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; - God's mercy endures forever.

Alleluia, alleluia! - Alleluia, alleluia!

Second Reading (Elizabeth)

A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN

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 forever 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring - CP 97

Jesus came, the heavens adoring, - came with peace from realms on high.

Jesus came for our redemption, - lowly came on earth to die:

alleluia, alleluia! - came in deep humility.

Jesus comes again in mercy, - when our hearts are bowed with care.

Jesus comes again in answer - to our earnest heartfelt prayer,

alleluia, alleluia! - comes to save us from despair.

Jesus comes to hearts rejoicing, - bringing news of sins forgiven.

Jesus comes in sounds of gladness, - leading souls redeemed to heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia! - Now the gate of death is riven.

Jesus comes on clouds triumphant, - when the heavens shall pass away.

Jesus comes again in glory: - let us then our homage pay,

alleluia, alleluia! - till the dawn of endless day.

Gospel

Reader 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.

The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

You Are God's Work of Art - CP 39

You are God's work of art, - created in Jesus the Christ.

You have been enlightened by the Lord. - Walk as children of the light.

You are God's work of art, - created in Jesus the Christ.

Keep the flame of faith in your heart, - and may you meet him when he comes.

You are God's work of art, - created in Jesus the Christ.

Blessed be our God, - who chose you in the light of Christ.

You are God's work of art, - created in Jesus the Christ.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors I present Acetin to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents & Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Parents & Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People We will.

Prayers for the Candidates (Ian)

Celebrant Let us now pray for Acetin who is about to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, away from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory.

People **Amen.**

The Celebration of Baptism Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbours as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Baptism

Celebrant Acetina, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Celebrant I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Celebrant Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring mind and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

The Giving of the Light

Celebrant Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

People **Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: **And also with you.**

Praise the Lord with the Sound - CP 309

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, - praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
praise the Lord with the gentle-sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest, - praise the Lord in the city square,
praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, - praise the Lord in the dark of night,
praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, - praise the Lord on the highest hill,
praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string,
praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, - praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,
praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, - praise the Lord in the time of joy,
praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play,
praise the Lord everywhere in every way.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Let us pray,

All: **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.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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 We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

God of power and might

Heaven and earth of Your glory are full

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth of Your glory are full

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth of Your glory are full

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Celebrant Holy and gracious God, accept our praise...

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, ...All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

People 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.
People Now we are raised to new life.
Celebrant We were buried in your tomb.
People Now we share in your resurrection.
Celebrant Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Wind Upon the Waters - CP 408

Wind upon the waters, voice upon the deep,
rouse your sons and daughters, wake us from our sleep,
breathing life into all flesh, breathing love into all hearts,
living wind upon the waters of my soul.

Showers from the heavens, water from the earth,
gift so wholly given, source of every birth,
joy of every living thing, making all creation sing,
shower down upon the dry earth of my soul.

Rock and hill and garden, wood and desert sand,
prairie, field, and meadow shaped by Love's own hand,
Love that fills the world around, springing up from barren ground,
grow your love within the garden of my soul.

Blazing light of wonder, flame that pierces night,
burst the dark asunder, fill our souls with light,

Lord of glory, fill the skies, make an end to hatred's cries,
be the blazing sun of justice in our lives.

Wind upon the waters, rains upon the sand,
grace your sons and daughters, newborn by your hand.
Come, O Spirit, and renew all the life that comes to you,
send your winds upon the waters of my soul.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

All: **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. Amen.

Celebrant Glory to God,
People 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.

The Blessing

Crown Him With Many Crowns - CP 378

Crown Him with many crowns, - the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns - all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing - of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless king - through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life, - who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife - for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, - who died, and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring, - and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of peace, - whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, - and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, - and round His piercèd feet
fair flowers of paradise extend - their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of love, - behold His hands and side,

those wounds, yet visible above, - in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky - can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye - at mysteries so bright.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- We pray for Metropolitan Greg, Primate Linda, and Bishop Stephen London. We also pray for our clergy, Father Neil and Rev. Lesley.
- Diocese of Kootenay: the Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Archbishop (Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon). St. Timothy, Edmonton: Clare Stewart, Priest-in-Charge; Jennifer Renouf, Donald Gray, Honorary Assistants; RJ Chambers, Parish Administrator. Buyé Diocese, All Saints' Cathedral: Jean Berchmans Mweningoma, Dean; and Alfred Uwimanihayé, Rector. Enoch Cree Nation.
- The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- We pray for those who are ill, injured, or bereaved; and for all who need God's healing presence, especially remembering Bill, Margaret, Stephen, Bud, Vicki, Charles, Lauren, Lesley, Linda, Greg, Stella, Barb, Terry, Dayna, and Ashton, Alexandra & family
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Amanda & David, Judy & Pete, Mildred, Al & Sharen, Roger; and their families.