



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service, May 22nd., 2022

Rector: Father Neil Gordon

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### **Be Not Afraid (Pre-Service Hymn)**

You shall cross the barren desert - but you shall not die of thirst  
You shall wander far in safety - though you do not know the way  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands - and they will understand  
You shall see the face of God and live

*Be not afraid - I go before you always  
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

If you pass through raging waters in the sea - you shall not drown  
If you walk amid the burning flames - you shall not be harmed  
If you stand before the power of hell - and death is at your side  
Know that I am with you through it all

*Be not afraid - I go before you always  
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

Blessed are your poor - for the kingdom shall be theirs  
Blest are you that weep and mourn - for one day you shall laugh  
And if wicked men insult and hate you - all because of me  
Blessed, blessed are you

*Be not afraid - I go before you always  
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

### **Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness - CP 397**

Praise the one who breaks the darkness - with a liberating light.  
Praise the one who frees the prisoners - turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the one who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,  
Calming storms and feeding thousands - with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children - with a strong yet gentle word.  
Praise the one who drove out demons - with a piercing two-edged sword.  
Praise the one who brings cool water - to the desert's burning sand.  
From this well comes living water, quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true live incarnate: - Christ who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose for many - that we may know God by grace.

Let us sing for joy and gladness, - seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory, - praise the one who makes us one.

## **The Gathering of the Community**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

*Celebrant* May his grace and peace be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

*People* **to you all hearts are open,**

**all desires known,**

**and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**

**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**

**that we may perfectly love you,**

**and worthily magnify your holy name;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Glory to God in the highest,

*People* **and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king,**

**almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* Please join me in today's Collect,

All: **Merciful God,**

**you have prepared for those who love you**

**riches beyond imagination.**

**Pour into our hearts such love toward you,**

**that we, loving you above all things,**

may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
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 (Bob)**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **PSALM 67 - God of Mercy, God of Grace**

God of mercy, God of grace, - show the brightness of your face.  
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine; - fill your world with light divine,  
All your saving health extend - unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise you, Lord; - Be by all that live adored;  
Let the nations shout and sing - glory to their gracious King;  
At your feet their tribute pay, - and your holy will obey.

Let the people praise you, Lord; - earth shall then its fruits afford,  
Unto us your blessing give; - we to you devoted live;  
All below and all above, - One in joy and light and love.

### **Second Reading (Andrea)**

A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN

And in the spirit, an angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the

leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Nada te turbe - CP 568**

Nada te turbe, nada te espante: - Quien a Dios tiene nada le falta.

Nada te turbe, nada te espante: - Solo Dios basta.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. - Those who seek God shall never go wanting.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. - God alone fills us.

## **Gospel**

*Reader* THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

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

Jesus answered, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## **Sermon**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

#### **The Apostle's Creed**

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

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

**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.**

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

## **The Prayers of the People (Ian)**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant invites people to confession in these are similar words*

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

*Silence is kept.*

*The officiant and people say together,*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant says,*

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

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you!

*People:* **And also with you.**

## **The Power of Your Love**

Lord I come to You, - let my heart be changed, renewed,  
flowing from the grace that I found in You.

And Lord I've come to know - the weaknesses I see in me will be stripped away  
by the pow'r of Your love.

*Hold me close, let Your love surround me, - bring me near, draw me to Your side.  
And as I wait I'll rise up like an eagle; - and I will soar with You  
Your spirit leads me on - in the pow'r of Your love.*

Lord unveil my eyes, - let me see You face to face;  
the knowledge of Your love - as You live in me.

Lord renew my mind, - as Your will unfolds in my life, in living every day,  
in the pow'r of Your love.

*Hold me close, let Your love surround me, - bring me near, draw me to Your side.  
And as I wait I'll rise up like an eagle; - and I will soar with You  
Your spirit leads me on - in the pow'r of Your love.*

## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant:* Please join me in the prayer over the gifts,

*All:* **God of glory,  
accept all we offer you this day,  
and bring us to that eternal city of love and light,  
where Christ is King.  
We ask this in his name. Amen.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer 1**

*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* It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God...

...Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and 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  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord  
God of power and might  
Heaven and earth of Your glory are full  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest*

*Celebrant* Holy God, source of life and goodness...  
...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*All* Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*Celebrant* Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, ...All glory and honour are yours,  
almighty Father, 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* Please join with me in the prayer after communion.

*All:* **Father,**

**you restored us to life**

**by raising your Son from death.**

**May we who receive this sacrament**

**always be strengthened to do your will,**

**in the name of 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

## **O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing - CP 306**

O for a thousand tongues to sing - My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, - The triumphs of his grace.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, - That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, - 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks and, listening to his voice, - New life the dead receive;  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; - The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; ye voiceless ones, - Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come; - And leap, ye lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God, - Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad, - The honours of thy Name.

## **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. We also pray for our clergy, Father Neil and Rev. Lesley.
- We pray for the Diocese of New Westminster: the Rt. Rev. John Stephens, Bishop. Church of the Nativity, Frog Lake: Fred Matthews, Lay Reader-in-Charge. Buyé Diocese, Murama Parish: Evariste Nsabimana, Rector. Louis Bull Tribe.
- in the world Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia
- We pray for those who are ill, injured, or bereaved; and for all who need God's healing presence, especially remembering Bill, George, Margaret, Stephen, Bud, Vicki, Charles, Lesley, Linda, Greg, Stella, and Terry.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Margaret & Keith, George & Doreen, Lois, Vicky & Graham, Ronald & Diana; and their families.