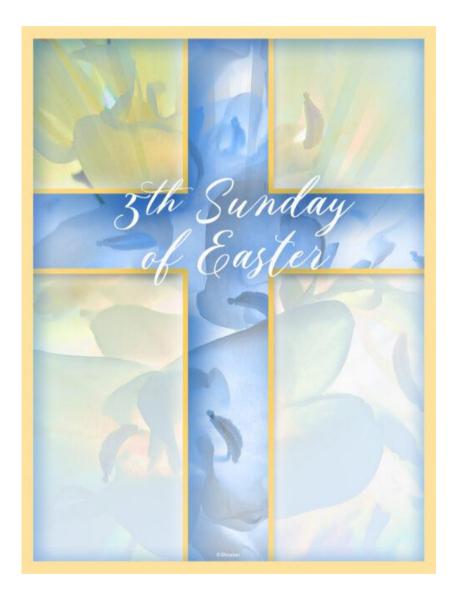


The Anglican Parish of Christ Church Bolton Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025 8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist Preacher & Celebrant ~ Rev. Don Davidson





Processional Hymn

Common Praise – 247, Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise



✤ The Gathering of the Community

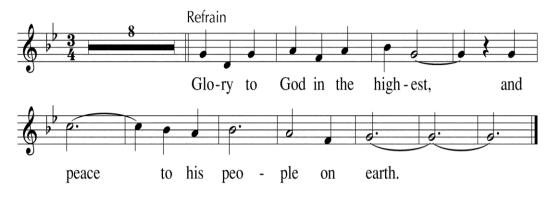
Acknowledgement of Territory

We acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, the Anishinaabe peoples, on whose land and by whose waters we gather to worship, listen, learn, share and heal together in the name of our creator, the Holy One of Blessing.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!** May his grace and peace be with you. **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

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



Verses

- 1. 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! Amen!

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✤ The Collect of the Day

Risen Christ, your wounds declare God's love for the world and the wonder of your risen life gives us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God our creator. Amen.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord: for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life." ACTS 11:1-18

Listen for the leading of the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

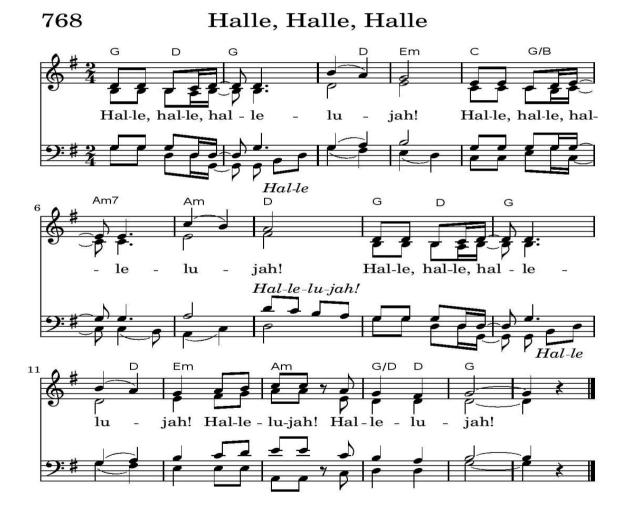
Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for his Name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him.



May God be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, O Jesus Christ.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." JOHN 13:31-35

The Gospel of Christ. Praise be to you, O Jesus Christ.

✤ Sermon

✤ Profession of Faith ~ the Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith, 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

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. *Silence is kept*

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.

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

★ The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** *The members of the community may greet one another in the name of Christ*

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn Gather – 518, We Are Called



✤ The Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

✤ Eucharistic Prayer

sit, kneel or stand for the prayer

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. We lift our hearts to God.

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

It is right to praise you, God of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in Jesus.

You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live through Christ, and Christ in us. Jesus opened the arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

Jesus put an end to death, revealed the resurrection, and in the power of the Holy Spirit made us your own people.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with friends he took bread and gave you thanks; broke it and gave it to them, saying; "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; Do this in memory of me."

We do this in remembrance of Jesus: the body of Christ is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, Jesus gave you thanks, and said: "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

We do this in remembrance of Jesus: the blood of Christ is shed for all.

On the day that Jesus rosea from the tomb Christ walked and talked with disciples on the road to Emmaus, but they were kept from recognizing Jesus; and as Jesus shared supper with them in their home, Jesus again took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and Jesus was revealed to them in the breaking of the bread, and they recognized their saviour.

We do this in remembrance of Jesus: the risen one revealed in the breaking of the bread.

So we proclaim the mystery of faith Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again. Alleluia!

As we proclaim Christ's death and celebrate Jesus rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts, send your Spirit upon us, and make us one in Christ, our risen God. Alleluia!

With your whole church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join in the eternal song of heaven:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest Blessed is he who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

✤ The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 Breaking of the Bread & the Communion

Lord, we died with you on the cross. Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb. Now we share in your resurrection.

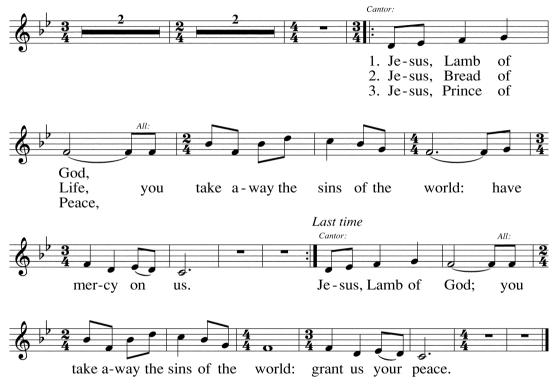
Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.



AGNUS DEI

Then the eucharistic bread is solemnly broken and the consecrated bread and wine are prepared for holy communion. The litany "Lamb of God" is sung during the breaking of the bread.



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TABLE OF PLENTY

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Postlude

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD



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God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Glory to God, 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, forever and ever. Amen.

▲ Announcements

Recessional Hymn

Gather - 485, City of God

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.



CHRIST CHURCH BOLTON PRAYER LIST



Prayer is a powerful way to connect with God and offer support to those in need. We would like to invite you to take just a few minutes each day to pray for our church family, friends, and neighbors listed in our prayer list.

Laura	Helen	Yvonne & David
Jean & Terry	Pat	Margaret
Marg & Gary	Vera & Family	Havard
Bill & Dorothy	Carol Ohlers	Joyce & Ross
Mike Bewcyk	Mary Stone	Brianna
Susan	Gerri Hill	Darlene
Lisa & Family	Brian	Ann
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If you wish to have a name added to the prayer list, please go to https://christchurchbolton.ca/prayer-requests/ or call/email the church office.

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