



Fifth Sunday of Easter  
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*All Saints' is committed to  
Radical Inclusion  
Extravagant Equity and  
Compassion that leads to Justice*

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# Welcome Home

to the  
Anglican Church



Welcome into the sacred space of All Saints' Peterborough, we are so glad you are here. All Saints' is an Anglican Church that is rooted in the pattern of life of Jesus the Christ, our ministry and worship is based on Christ's, Radical Inclusion, Extravagant Equity, and Compassion that Leads to Justice. We invite you to fill out one of our Welcome cards so that we can keep in touch, and please pick up one of our Welcome packages.

## Land Acknowledgement

All Saints' Peterborough resides on the sacred land of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the first peoples of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be buried in this land. This sacred land is part of the Rice Lake Purchase, Treaty 20. All Saints' is committed to continued reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, through continued education and the inclusion of readings from the First Nations Bible.

## Liturgical Notes

1. In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews (also called Israelites) of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in God as the ancient peoples of God.
2. Younger and Elder Testament. The traditional terms for the testaments 'Old' and 'New' have been changed to Elder and Younger. This has been done as an act of equity and promise. Old and New are words in our society that add value to things – often anything that is old is considered less valuable than things that are new. In our Christian context the New Testament has replaced the Old Testament, which is not only an incorrect theology, but it has also tied to it ethnic value, and antisemitic tones. The words Elder and Younger are born out of equity, and the Younger Testament is born out of the Elder Testament.

## HYMN 425 JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father and our Mother, all who live in love are thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

## WELCOME

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE LAND

Presider All creation sings to the glory of its Creator.

**All Thanks be to God for the gift of all peoples, creatures and this planet that sustains us. For our First Nations, Metis, and Inuit siblings and their care of this land we are standing and worshipping on. All things come from God, and we give thanks to God for them. Amen.**

## OPENING PRAYERS

Deacon Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All Christ has risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Deacon May Christ's grace and peace be with you.

**All May Christ fill our hearts with joy.**

Officiant There is one body and one Spirit.

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

Officiant One Saviour, one faith, one baptism.

**All One God and Creator of all.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Deacon     Eternal God,

All        from whose gentle hands none can snatch us away: give us faith to believe that we are known and loved with a passion strong enough to bring the whole world back to you; through Jesus the Christ, who is one with the source of life. Amen.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reading    Acts 11:1-18

NRSV

A reading from the Younger Testament and the account known as the Acts of the Apostles.

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 believer 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; 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 Christ, 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 Jesus the 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.'

Reader  
All Listen for the leading of the Spirit  
Thanks be to God

Psalm 148 *Voices United*  
Psalm 148 is a communal hymn that calls the community and all of creation to join in the praise of God. I invite you to join me in this ancient hymn of praise.

Praise God from the heavens; give praise in the heights!  
Give praise, all you angels; praise God, all you hosts!

Praise God, sun and moon, give praise, stars and lights!  
Praise God, farthest heavens, and all waters beyond heaven!

Let all things praise the Holy One at whose command they were created, who established them for all time, setting bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise God from the earth, great sea creatures and ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and frost, gales that obey God's decree, all mountains and hills, all fruit trees and cedars, wild animals and cattle, creatures winged and earth-bound, sovereigns who rule earth and its people, all who govern and judge this world, young people, old people and children together!

Let all things praise the name of God, the name above every other, whose splendour covers heaven and earth. You give strength to your people, songs of praise to your faithful, to Israel, the people dear to your heart.

Reading Revelation 21:1-6 *NRSV*  
A reading from the Younger Testament and the book of Revelation.  
Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city,

the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.

God will dwell with them; they will be God's peoples,

and God will be with them; and will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then God said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit

**All Thanks be to God**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**ALL Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.**

**Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.**

GOSPEL John 13:31-35

*Inclusive Bible*

Deacon May God be with you.

**All And also with you**

Deacon The Gospel of Jesus the Christ, according to John.

**All Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.**

Once Judas left, Jesus said, "Now is the Chosen One glorified and God is glorified as well. If God has been glorified, God will in turn glorify the Chosen One and will do so very soon. My little children, I will not be with you much longer. You will look for me, but what I said to the Temple Authorities, I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come. I give you a new commandment. Love one another. And you are to love one another the way I have loved you. This is how all will know that you are my disciples: that you truly love one another."

*At the conclusion of the gospel.*

Deacon     The Gospel of Christ  
All         Praise to you, Jesus the Christ

ALL         Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.

SERMON     Cormac Culkeen

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

#### BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Presider    Throughout this Easter season let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Creator?

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

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

All         I believe in Jesus the Christ, God's only Son, our Saviour and Redeemer.  
Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of Virgin Mary. Jesus 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 Creator.  
Jesus will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider    Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

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

All         I will, with God's help.

Presider    Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the ways of Jesus the Christ?

All         I will, with God's help.

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

All         I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

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

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human person.

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

Presider Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth?

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

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Risen Christ,

**All fill us with your life.**

#### THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of Jesus the Christ be with you all.

**All And also with you.**

### COMMUNION

#### OFFERTORY

*Offertory Plates are at the front of the church.*

*You are also invited to make an offering to the ongoing ministry of All Saints' Peterborough by either dropping off a cheque in the mailbox at the church or by clicking to donate button on our website.*

#### HYMN 456 HE COMES TO US AS ONE UNKNOWN

*ALT TUNE 455*

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard;  
As though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown,  
A pulse of being stirred, a pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart,  
Half-seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky  
Of night within the heart, of night within the heart.



He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam;  
Yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees,  
A voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and birth;  
To bear within our mortal frame a life, a death, a saving name  
For every child of earth, for every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored:  
The Christ in all the Scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown,  
Our Saviour and our Lord, our Saviour and our Lord.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider Covenant God,

**All as a sign of devotion to you and your vision for the world, we bring these gifts. May they bring light to those who have lost their way, hope to the despairing, and freedom for those held in bondage. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

#### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Supplementary #1*

Presider May God be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to our Saviour God.

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

Presider Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy One, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blest**

is the One who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Presider Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body, my life's work and love which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the gift of forgiveness of sin. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Presider Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

**All Amen**

Presider Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 forever. Amen.**

## STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY

Presider Christ, we died with you on the cross.

**All Now we are raised to new life.**

Presider We were buried in your tomb,

**All Now we share in your resurrection.**

Presider Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gift of God for the people of God.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## AGNUS DEI HYMN 747

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sin, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,**

**Give us your peace, give us your peace.**

## COMMUNION

*We welcome you to receive Communion at All Saints'.*

*Please follow the instruction of the sides people.*

*For those present in spirit,  
the following prayer may be said to make a spiritual communion.*

I worship and adore you, Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus the Christ, present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, present in bread and wine, be present in my heart and feed and renew my soul. Amen.

## CHOIR ANTHEM CAST THY BURDEN UPON THE LORD

*FELIX MENDELSSOHN*

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee  
He never will suffer the righteous to fall. He is at thy right hand  
Thy mercy Lord is great, and far above the heavens  
Let none be made ashamed, that wait upon thee.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Almighty God,

**All once again you have given us what we need: sacrament, one another,  
hope for a better day. With renewed energy we offer ourselves to be**

sent out in your name; hopeful, grateful, useful, leaders of liberation,  
proclaimers of your love. Amen.

Presider 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.

## BLESSING

### HYMN 231 THAT EASTERTIDE WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT

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!

Deacon Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
serve the world God loves. Alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

*ELEANOR WHITSETT*