



# St. George on Yonge Anglican

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April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

## *Welcome*

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Peace be with you.  
AS THE FATHER HAS  
**SENT ME,**  
—EVEN SO I AM—  
**SENDING YOU.**

John 20:21

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### The Gathering of the Community

#### Organ Prelude

#### Processional Hymn #211 “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing”

Text by Cyril Argentine Alington

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| 1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!<br>Now is the triumph of our King!<br>To all the world glad news we bring:<br>alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 3 Praise we in songs of victory<br>that love, that life which cannot die,<br>and sing with hearts uplifted high:<br>alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
| 2 The Lord of life is risen today!<br>Sing songs of praise along his way;<br>let all the earth rejoice and say:<br>alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!     | 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord,<br>and sing today with one accord<br>the life laid down, the life restored:<br>alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  |

#### Greeting and Collect for Purity

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*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.**

#### Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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*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.**

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **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:

Acts 5:27–32

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>27</sup> When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> 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." <sup>29</sup> But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup> The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup> God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup> And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 118:14-24

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

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

16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has  
triumphed!"

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

18 The Lord has punished me sorely,  
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 **Open for me the gates of  
righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

20 "This is the gate of the Lord;  
he who is righteous may enter."

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

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

**23 This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

24 On this day the Lord has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

**Maker of the universe, Source of all life, give us grace to serve you with our whole heart, that we may faithfully perform your will and joyfully participate in your creation, to the praise and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Second Reading:

Revelation 1:4–8

*Reader* A reading from the Revelation to John.

<sup>4</sup> 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, <sup>5</sup> 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, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Gradual Hymn "Alleluia"**

Holy Gospel:

John 20:19–31

*Subdeacon* The Lord be with you.

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

*Subdeacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

<sup>19</sup> 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." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again,

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“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> 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.”

<sup>26</sup> 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.” <sup>27</sup> 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.” <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup> 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.”

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> 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.

*Subdeacon* The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

*A time for silent reflection is kept.*

## The Nicene Creed

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*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

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**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Leader* Let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

## **Confession and Absolution**

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*Celebrant* 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.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*People* **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* 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**

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

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

## **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn #226 "Through the Red Sea"** Text by Ronald A. Knox

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| 1 Through the Red Sea brought at last,<br>alleluia!<br>Egypt's chains behind we cast, alleluia!<br>Deep and wide flows the tide<br>severing us from bondage past, alleluia! | 2 Like the cloud that overhead, alleluia!<br>through the billows Israel led, alleluia!<br>by his tomb Christ makes room,<br>souls restoring from the dead, alleluia! |
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- 3 In that cloud and in that sea, alleluia!  
buried and baptized were we, alleluia!  
Earthly night brought us light  
which is ours eternally, alleluia!

### The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **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 #3

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*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* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

*People* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Michael  
Leach

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to

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you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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 forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*People* **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer** [Michael Leach]

*Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

*People* **Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And 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 #8**

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*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.

### **Lamb of God** [Arranged by Michael Leach]

*People* **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**

have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
 have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
 grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

### The Communion

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*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

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

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*Celebrant* Dear friends, if you are present or elsewhere and are unable to receive the sacrament at this time, I invite you to join me and the whole church in spiritual communion to receive Christ, who is present in this Sacrament of the Altar. Let us pray.

*People* **Lord Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, gathered in spirit, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness; and, by the power of your liberating love, overthrow all that threatens or disrupts the justice and truth of the reign of God. In your name I pray. Amen.**

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion*

### Communion Hymn #222 "All Shall Be Well"

Text by Timothy Dudley-Smith

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| <p>1 All shall be well!<br/>           For on our Easter skies<br/>           see Christ the sun<br/>           of righteousness arise.</p>           | <p>4 All shall be well!<br/>           Lift every voice on high;<br/>           "Death has no more<br/>           dominion, but shall die."</p> |
| <p>2 All shall be well!<br/>           The sacrifice is made,<br/>           the sinner freed,<br/>           the price of pardon paid.</p>           | <p>5 Jesus alive!<br/>           Rejoice and sing again;<br/>           all shall be well<br/>           for evermore, Amen!</p>                |
| <p>3 All shall be well!<br/>           The cross and passion past,<br/>           dark night is done,<br/>           bright morning come at last.</p> |   |

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **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.**

## Doxology [Michael Leach]

*People* **Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.**

## Blessing

### Dismissal

*Subdeacon* Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Recessional Hymn #330 "O Praise Ye the Lord"

Psalm 150; paraphrase by Henry William Baker

- 1 O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height;  
rejoice in God's Word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him in brightness arrayed.
- 2 O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth,  
in tuneful accord, give thanks for new birth;  
praise God who hath brought you all grace from above,  
praise God who hath taught you the pathways of love.
- 3 O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story of what God hath done.
- 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
be ever outpoured all ages along;  
for love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

## Today's Scripture Readings

### Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32  
Psalm 118:14-24  
Rev 1:4-8  
John 20:19-31

## Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

### Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-6  
Psalm 30  
Rev 5:11-14  
John 21:1-19

## We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

### Congregation Cycle

John & Laura P  
V. Selvin Raja K  
Rakesh & Sangeeta R & Family  
Tahereh R  
Craig R & Berta Z

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Leonard Leader
Subdeacon	Margie Lyttle
Reader	Craig Robertson
Organist	Michael Leach
Intercessor	Margie Lyttle
Videographer	Egan Done
Altar Guild	Nancy Dodsworth
Ushers	Ann-Marie Waithe Powell, Hazel Perkin

## **Territorial Acknowledgement**

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

## **COVID instructions to keep you safe**

IN CHURCH EVERYONE MUST:

1. **Be MASKED** all the time  
**NOTE:** ONE participant at a time may remove their mask temporarily if they are a reader, intercessor, Subdeacon, doing announcements, preacher or priest but only when they are speaking.
2. **FOLLOW THE ARROWS ON THE FLOOR.**
3. **FOLLOW THE PRIEST'S and USHER'S INSTRUCTIONS** for the Service.
4. **BE RESPECTFUL** of everyone's comfort level with physical distancing and contact.

Thank you for joining us. Stay Safe