

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for our Primate, the Most Rev Linda Nicholls; for our Provincial Metropolitan and Diocesan Archbishop, the Most Rev Anne Germond; for the Deanery of Sudbury-Manitoulin, and our Archdeacon, the Ven Glen Miller, and for our parish of the Church of the Ascension and our Incumbent, the Rev Jeff Hooper.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for parish of St Stephen: Church of the Redeemer, Rosseau; St Thomas', Orrville; St Thomas' Ullswater/Bent River; and for the ministry of the Rev Peter Simmons, and the Rev Dr Cal MacFarlane; we give thanks, also, for yesterday's ordination of the Rev Beverly Van der Jagt to the presbyterate.

We pray for reconciliation with the Indigenous Peoples of this land: Merciful God, be with us as we seek to heal old wounds and find joy again in our relationships. Replace all hearts of stone with hearts of flesh; give us gifts of honesty and openness, and fill us with your healing power and grace.

We pray for the following people for God's healing and strength during the coming week, especially – Tamara, Marshall, Kay, Dave Fowler, Annette, Barbara, Claudette, Gerry, Mary Rose, Sarah, Jaqueline, Colin, Catherine, George, David, Dan & Marc, Gary, Lucette, Estelle, Richard, Maggie, Carol, Marjorie Morton, Rob Caines, Vince, Chris, Connie Lee, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Lori, John P, Ivan, Audrey and her friends, companions, and neighbours at L'Arche, James, Darryl Keen, Heather, John, Sonia, Nancy, Victoria P, Mark, Craig, Dana, Nancy Turner, Rick, Carol, and Debbie.

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes: Laurent Constantineau, Sybil Crawford, Marlene Moulton, Betty Bonas, and Daryl Keen; may they always feel God's presence in their lives.

We pray for the Diocesan Synod, scheduled to start May 10 (D.v.)--Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who shall take counsel in the upcoming Diocesan Synod for the renewal of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honour and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; though Jesus Christ our Lord.

In our parish, we pray for our wardens, board members, and lay leaders; we pray for parents, grandparents, and godparents, for spouses and siblings, for children and dependents, for all families and friends; and especially we pray for those with whom we are hurt, angry, or at cross-purposes; that by Christ's example, and through His grace, all hearts may be turned to your purpose, O Lord.



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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." (Lk 4.18-19)

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2023

Welcome to our worship! Please know, the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of Communion.

3d Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist

Sunday morning 10.00 am
live-streamed on Facebook
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Liturgy, BAS, pp. 185—215

(readings are per *Revised Common Lectionary*, NRSVA translation)

Opening Hymn	405; Alleluia No. 1
Gathering	BAS, p. 185
Gloria	Hymn #366
Collect of the Day	BAS, p. 338
First Reading	Acts 2. 14a, 36-41
Psalm 116 , vv 1-2, 10-17	BAS, pp. 864-5
Second Reading	1 Peter 1.17-23
Gradual Hymn	328; <i>Lo God is Here</i>
Holy Gospel	St Luke 24.13-35
Sermon	
Confession of Faith	BAS, pp. 188-9
Prayers, Confession,	
Absolution, Peace	BAS, pp. 190-2
Offertory Hymn	374; <i>Alleluia Sing to Jesus</i>
Prayer over Gifts	BAS, p. 338
Eucharistic Prayer #3	BAS, pp. 198-200; 222
The Lord's Prayer	BAS, p. 211
Breaking of the Bread	#8; BAS, p. 213
Communion Hymns	#60 ; #232
Prayer after Communion	BAS, p. 338
Doxology, Dismissal	BAS, p. 214-15
Closing Hymn	475; <i>Jesus Where're Thy...</i>

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Collect for 3d Sunday of Easter: O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading (*Acts 2.14a, 36-41*)

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Psalms 116 vv. 1-3, 10-17 (*BAS, pp. 864-5*) **Refrain: I will lift up the cup of salvation.**

Second Reading (*1 Peter 1. 17-23*)

A Reading from the First Epistle General of Peter

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Holy Gospel (*St Luke 24. 13-35*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St Luke

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all

these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Prayer over the Gifts: Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Prayer after Communion: Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.