



29 May, 2022 8am



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Welcome!

We bid you a very warm welcome to our worship. We acknowledge our presence is on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples.

Please rise as you are able as the Clergy enter to opening hymn melody: For the Beauty of the Earth

All **ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest **OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.**

All **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Priest **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Priest **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

All **The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.**

Collect of the Day

Priest **Let us pray.**

**Living God,
mystery of love given and received:**

deepen our yearning for unity,
so that the whole creation might share in your communion;
through Jesus Christ, who makes known your love.

All

Amen.

Please sit for a reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Chapter 16.16-34)

Reader

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill

himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Reader
All

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated for a reading from the Book of Revelation
(Chapter 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-21)

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Reader
All

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Priest

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to St. John. (Chapter 5.1-9)

All

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Priest

Jesus said, 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

At the conclusion of the Gospel

Priest
All

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Elizabeth Ruder-Celiz

Priest
All

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of
God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of

God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Priest Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50.14*

The Altar is prepared for Communion

Priest BLESSED be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. *1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14.*

Prayers

Priest Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Let us pray for peace on earth.

Let us remember before God those who have departed this life and are at rest.

Intercession

Priest

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept all that we offer unto thee, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant John our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired.

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy

Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee;
beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their
fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with
them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only
Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy
Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

All **Amen.**

Thanksgiving and Consecration

Priest THE Lord be with you;
All **And with thy spirit.**

Priest Lift up your hearts;
All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;
All **It is meet and right so to do.**

Priest It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should
at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord,
holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and
preserver of all things. But chiefly are we bound to praise
thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ
our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was
offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world;
who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to
life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore
with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of
heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore
praising thee and saying:

All **HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
BLESSED is the one that cometh in the
Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Consecration and the Breaking of the Bread

Priest

BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, ^atook Bread; and, when he had given thanks, ^bhe brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; ^cthis is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper ^dhe took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for ^ethis is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain

remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion;
And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we
who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled
with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father
Almighty, world without end.

All Amen.

Priest THE peace of the Lord be always with you;
All And with thy spirit.

Priest O LAMB of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
All have mercy upon us.

Priest O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
All have mercy upon us.

Priest O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
All grant us thy peace.

*We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy
Communion.*

*Please receive the bread by holding out your hands. Gluten-free wafers are
available upon request. To receive the wine, please gently guide the chalice
to your lips, or simply touch the base of the chalice if you prefer not to
drink from it. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine)
is not permitted in our diocese. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of
the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over
your chest.*

Priest Let us pray.
All 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 them that 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.

Priest ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

All And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

All GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Priest The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God

Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
among you, and remain with you always.

All

Amen.

Postlude

Concerto III

BWV594a

Vivaldi/Bach

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Sunday online service

10am Holy Eucharist live-stream

Wednesday online service

8pm Midweek Meditation

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