

Fourth Sunday of Easter



***Sunday, April 26, 2026
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist***

***“Glorifying God as Agents of His
Reconciliation”***

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

**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.**

Please stand.

Hymn: Thine be the Glory

By Edmond Budry, Richard Hoyle & George Fridrich Handel

Verse 1

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

Thine is the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Verse 2

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing;
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Verse 3

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:
Lead us in Thy triumph to Thy home above. *Refrain*

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Oz: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Rev. Oz: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy!

GLORY TO GOD (*sung*)

**Glory to God in the highest,
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.**

Please be seated.

Ladies Ensemble: Shine On Us

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: O God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,

by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE READINGS

First Reading – Acts 2:41- 47

Reader: A Reading from Acts

⁴¹ So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls. ⁴² They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

⁴³ Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all the believers were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ and they would sell their property and possessions and share them with all, to the extent that anyone had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

1 The Lord's my Shepherd; I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

2 My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.

3 Yea, tho' I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

4 My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.

Second Reading – 1st Peter 2:19-25

Reader: A reading from 1st Peter

¹⁹ For this *finds* favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly. ²⁰ For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer *for it* you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

²¹ For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, ²² WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH; ²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but

kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; ²⁴ and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. ²⁵ For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel – The Gospel – John 10:1-10
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

10 “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbs up some other way, he is a thief and a robber. ² But he who enters by the door is a shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they simply will not follow, but will flee from him, because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶ This figure of speech Jesus spoke to them, but they did not understand what those things were which He had been saying to them.

⁷ So Jesus said to them again, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. ⁹ I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have *it* abundantly.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Ladies Ensemble: I Need Thee

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Leader: 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.**

**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.**

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,

All: 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.**

Rev. Oz: 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.

All: Amen.

THE PEACE

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory

Hymn: Good and Gracious King

James Ferguson, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren

Verse 1

I approach the throne of glory
Nothing in my hands I bring
But the promise of acceptance
From a good and gracious King

Verse 2

I will give to You my burden
As You give to me Your strength
Come and fill me with Your Spirit
As I sing to You this praise

Chorus

You deserve the greater glory
Overcome I lift my voice
To the King in need of nothing
Empty handed I rejoice

You deserve the greater glory
Overcome with joy I sing
By Your love I am accepted
You're a good and gracious King

Verse 3

O what grace that You would see me
As Your child and as Your friend
Safe secure in You forever
I pour out my praise again

Bridge

Holy holy Lord Almighty
Good and gracious
Good and gracious
Holy holy Lord Almighty
Good and gracious King
CCLI Song #7073329

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: God of loving care,
you spread before us the table of life,
and give us the cup of salvation to drink.
Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our shepherd.

People: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: 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 say 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.**

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

Rev. Oz: 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 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,
**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Rev. Oz: 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 forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People: 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

Rev. Oz: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Rev. Oz: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Rev. Oz: Live in us, that we may live in you.

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer Ministry is available by the font

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

Options at the altar rail: the common cup to your left, bread and wine mingled together to the right.

Hymn: Living Hope

By Phil Wickham, Brian Johnson

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me

(REPEAT)

Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

Ending

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope
CCLI Song #7106807

Hymn # 688: Saviour like a Shepherd Lead us

By William B. Bradbury

Verse 1

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need thy tender care;
In thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use thy folds prepare.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Verse 2

We are thine, thou dost befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep thy flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray.

Verse 3

Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse and power to free.

Verse 4

Early let us seek thy favor,
Early let us do thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With thy love our bosoms fill.

Hymn: At the Cross (Love ran red)

By Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jonas Myrin, Matt Armstrong, Matt Redman

Verse 1

There's a place
Where mercy reigns and never dies
There's a place
Where streams of grace flow deep and wide
Where all the love I've ever found
Comes like a flood comes flowing down

Chorus

At the cross at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white
I owe all to You I owe all to You (Jesus)

Verse 2

There's a place
Where sin and shame are powerless
Where my heart
Has peace with God and forgiveness
Where all the love I've ever found

Comes like a flood comes flowing down

Bridge

Here my hope is found
Here on holy ground
Here I bow down here I bow down
Here arms open wide
Here You saved my life
Here I bow down here I bow (down)
CCLI Song #7017786

Please stand and sing.

Post Communion Song

Hymn # 308: There is a Redeemer

By Melody Green

There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One,

Jesus my redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Hope for sinners slain.

Thank you oh my father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit,
'Til the work on Earth is done.

When I stand in Glory,
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever,
In that Holy Place.

Thank you oh my father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit,

'Til the work on Earth is done.

There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One,

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: God of steadfast love,
watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son.
May we who share in these holy mysteries
come safely to your eternal kingdom,
where there is one flock and one shepherd.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

People: Amen

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,

**People: 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.**

THE BLESSING

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Closing Hymn: Ladies Ensemble, Shoes

DISMISSAL

Leader: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

All: He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

Leader: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of the People – April 26, 2026

James wrote, “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16b)

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights &

Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Right Reverend Shane Parker, Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

The Most Reverend Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

IN OUR DIOCESE

St. Andrew, Gleichen

The Rev. Brad Everett

Administration & Finance Committee

IN OUR SISTER DIOCESE OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

St. Mary, Bequia (bek-way) with Holy Cross, Paget Farm, Mustique; St. Michael, Canouan;

and St. Matthias, Union Island

Rev. Canon John Rohim- St. Andrew's Secondary School

IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

The congregations of the Western Manitoba area of Manitoba of the Manitoba Northwestern Ontario Synod

TOGETHER For our full communion partner churches The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the US-based Episcopal Church (TEC)

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III; Prime Minister, Mark Carney; Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark; Mayor Dwight Kipatrick-Redcliff; Medicine Hat Police Downtown Patrol Team

OUR CITY CHURCHES

St. Ambrose Anglican Church, Reverend John Willems

OUR PROVINCE

Government & Leadership: Praying for wisdom in government and stability in the province.

Church Impact: That local churches in Alberta would be strengthened and that doors of opportunity for ministry would not be shut.

The Mustard Seed of Medicine hat

OUR WORLD

Afghanistan – Today, pray for Christian women living in Afghanistan. If an Afghan woman's faith is discovered, her life and her family can be in grave danger. Many have fled their country for neighboring nations. Pray they will find safe places to live and provision for their needs.

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec

Ben & Janice Andreas, Wayne & Elaine Barnes and Dee Armstrong

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia, Jerusha in Ghana

Parish Council

The Building & Maintenance Committee

Hospitality Committee

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED*

Anne and Ric; Colleen and Philip; Betty Lou; Mike; Barb; John and Grace; Carol & Family; Lorraine; Leigh Ana; Diane; Rosie T; Laura; Cheryl & Wayne and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713



St. Barnabas Anglican Church

Our Mission is Glorifying God as
Agents of His Reconciliation.

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself -
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

Celebrant	Reverend Oz Lorentzen
Lay Reader	Deb Deans
Prayers of the People	Lynne Windjack
Music	Carol Fedoruk
Readers	Chioma & Anuli Nwokeali
Bread/Wine Presenters	Val Trotter & Veronica Blocksage
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