



The Sunday of the Resurrection Easter Sunday April 17, 2022

We wish to remind you that **masking remains mandatory** at all times throughout all of our buildings during services. Please show your care for others by **keeping a distance of 2 metres** between you/your residential cohort and others at all times. We ask that all who attend in-person services and are vaccine eligible, to be fully vaccinated. Thank you!

Welcome to St. Stephen's Anglican Church

The Rev. Nicole Janelle, Rector • The Rev. Charmaine Evans, Deacon
Liz Tremblay, Music Director • Chad Dudley, Technical Director

Lectionary Readings for April 17—Easter Day

Isaiah 65:17-25

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

John 20:1-18

The Prayers of the People

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

In the worldwide community we pray for the Church of Pakistan. In the Anglican Church of Canada we pray for the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada we pray for the congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod. We pray for climate justice and healthy relationships with the earth.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the parish of All Saints, Cochrane, the Rev. Fariborz Khandani, the Rev. Deacon Elizabeth Short, the Rev. Faith Brace (Hon.); and we pray for the Refugee Committee. In our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for the parishes of St. James, Layou with St. Mary, Buccament on St. Vincent, the Rev. Fr. Justice Tetteh Apo..

St. Stephen's Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Raja & Donna Geddum; Sibyl Geddes; Ruth Gilchrist

For Those in Need: John; Kathleen; Ginny

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of family members by by Lorraine and Mel Anderson

Reader: Joanne Snyder

Prayers of the People: Doug McKibbon

The Sunday of the Resurrection:

EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022

O God, let my soul rise up to meet you
as the day rises to meet the sun.

THE CELEBRATION of the HOLY EUCHARIST

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The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Morning Has Broken (L. Smith)

Easter Acclamation (*the people stand*)

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May God's grace and peace be with us.

May our hearts be filled with joy.

Greeting and Welcome

Let us sing together our opening hymn as we are sprinkled with the baptismal waters of life.

Opening Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today! (CP#203)

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!

who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, now his might confess, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

Collect of the Day

Let us pray. *(The congregation remains standing.)*

Living Christ, you are risen from the dead!
Love reigns!
You are life stronger than death;
raise our eyes to see you
as the new day dawns.
Grant us strength and humility
to enter into life. **Amen.**

Children's Moment

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 65:17-25

Read by Joanne Snyder

This is what our God says:

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I am doing; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard there, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by their God and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; even the serpent shall be content to eat the dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain.

This is what our God says.

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to our God, who is good;
whose mercy endures forever.

**Let Israel now proclaim,
"God's mercy endures forever."**

God is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

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

"The right hand of our God has triumphed!

**The right hand of our God is exalted!
The right hand of our God has triumphed!"**

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of our God.

**God has punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.**

Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them, and offer thanks to our God.

**"This is the gate of our God;
the one who is righteous may enter."**

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

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

This is God's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**On this day God has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

Gradual Hymn: Christ is Risen Verses 1 & 2 (CP#223)

Christ is risen! Shout hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder;
all creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning,
see what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion;
joy and peace shall never end.

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-18

God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that the Chosen One must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."

When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: Christ is Risen Verse 3

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
never more shall be the same.

Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us

Homily

The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Doug McKibbon

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples saying, "Peace be with you."
Then they were glad when they saw their Lord.

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

The members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace (in a social distanced way!). In an effort to deepen the “Culture of Welcome and Belonging” at St. Stephen’s, you are invited to introduce yourselves during the Peace to someone not yet known to you.

We send peace and good tidings to those who are part of the online community at St. Stephen’s, joining us via livestream this Sunday.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Anthem: Christ Still Rises (Brody)

Choir

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, God of all creation;
Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready always and everywhere to praise your name
and respond to those in need,
through Jesus Christ our risen Saviour. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to God our Saviour.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

You tilled the barrenness of chaos, Gardener of Genesis, freely giving life to all that is good and beautiful. Shade trees with ripe fruit, flowing streams, and creeping things -- all were formed for our safe-keeping. But what was a delight in your eyes, was a disappointment in ours, and so we wandered far from you, from the garden, and from each other. You sent the prophets to lead us out of our wilderness, but we clung to the rocks which gave us no foundation. And then, you sent Jesus, to carry the free gift of grace into our hearts.

Therefore, with his mother, Mary, and with all those who have journeyed with you in every time and place, we sing your praise:

Gloria:

Choir

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.

Holy are you, God of goodness and glory, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Holy Child. He speaks to us of your steadfast love; passing every test and temptation offered to him, he teaches us obedience and faithfulness; willing to be the one to bear the world's brokenness, he went to the cross, faithfully serving only you, even unto suffering and

death. Risen in glory, he welcomes us to this Table.

We remember that on the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

God of life, pour out your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine, and upon your children gathered around this Table.

Form in us the mind, heart and body of Christ, that we may be partners with you in restoring our world with justice, peace and reconciliation. Then, when our journey has ended, and we are surrounding your Table in glory, we will welcome our family and friends, as we share peace with our enemies, praising you for all eternity.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN!

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say:

**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 those who 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.**

Invitation

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God!

Communion

Some notes on Communion:

- *Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome at God's table.*
- *All are welcome to come forward to receive communion, or to receive a blessing.*
- *To receive a blessing in place of communion, please cross your hands over your chest.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available for those who are gluten intolerant. Just tell the minister before you take your communion.*

Music during Communion:

Anthem: On this day of rejoicing (D. Wagner)

Choir

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. *(The congregation stands.)*
God of life,
bring us to the glory of the resurrection
promised in this Easter sacrament.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.
Amen.

Doxology

Glory to God,
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

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: Alleluia No. 1 (CP#405)

*Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.*

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. *Refrain.*

2 Spread the good news o'er all the
earth.
Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain.*

3 We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever. *Refrain.*

4 Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour. *Refrain.*

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: The Strife Is O'er (L. Smith)

Announcements

Today's **Warden on Duty is Robert Walker**. Robert is available for conversation with all members of the congregation, including newcomers. St. Stephen's is guided in leadership by four "wardens" who make up the Parish Corporation and members of the Parish Council who work together with our clergy and staff members to do the work of church in this community. Members of these committees are listed by name on the back of the bulletin with contact information.

We ask that all who attend in-person services and are vaccine eligible to be fully vaccinated.

Although we will no longer be scanning QR codes, it is imperative for all of us to consider that our congregation includes many who continue to remain very vulnerable to contracting COVID-19. These include our members who are immunocompromised, those who make up our beloved contingent of parish elders, and our very precious members who are under five years of age and not yet eligible for vaccination. We ask that if you are feeling unwell to even the slightest degree that you do not attend church in person and instead join the live stream. Our 10:30am service will continue to be live-streamed and available for viewing throughout the week, for those unable to join in person. We wish to remind you that **masking remains mandatory** at all times throughout all of our buildings during services. Please show your care for others by **keeping a distance of 2 metres** (at least two chairs) between you/your residential cohort and others at all times. Singing the hymns with the choir is now allowed.

Meditation and Bible Study are on hiatus. Meditation reconvenes on Tuesday May 3rd at 6:00 p.m. by Zoom and Bible Study reconvenes on Thursday May 5th at 8:00pm via Zoom. Links to join the Zoom meetings are in your Friday e-Newsletter. For more information contact Rev. Charmaine Evans at deacon@ststephenscalgary.org

Please note that the clergy are off during Easter Week and will back in the office the week of April 24th.

Do you receive St. Stephen's E-Newsletter every Friday? We want to make sure that all those who attend St. Stephen's receive our digital newsletter which is lovingly curated and sent out weekly on Fridays. The e-newsletter includes important details about the daily activities of the parish, plus video clips, links and announcements about notable community-based offerings. If you do not yet receive the newsletter, you can sign up on our website ststephenyyc.com and click on the link at the bottom right of the screen, or contact Suzan Pedersen at administrator@ststephenscalgary.org.

Get to Know You's with Nicole - Nicole is excited to meet with every individual/family unit at St. Stephen's. Link to sign up for a meeting is in your Friday e-newsletter. Note that available times have been updated through August. Please schedule a time to connect if you haven't yet done so!

We are in need of both **Greeters** and **Tech Team Volunteers**. If you feel called to one of these ministries, please speak to our clergy and/or email our administrator Suzan at administrator@ststephenscalgary.org to express your interest!

Upcoming Services – St. Stephen's will be hosting the following services over the next month.

- Sunday, April 24th at 10:30 am – Commemoration of St. George's Day with the King's Own Calgary Regiment, The Rev. Derwyn Costinak – preacher
- Sunday, May 1st at 10:30 am – Labyrinth Service led by Revs. Nicole & Charmaine
- Wednesday, May 4th at 2:00 pm – Memorial Service for Peter Nettleton
- Sunday, May 15th at 10:30 am – Induction Service with the Bishop of Calgary

Blue envelope offerings support a variety of ministries throughout the year. This month the blue envelope donations will be given to **Community Outreach Projects**. Parish Council explores ways of reaching out to the community and this month's envelope is designated to provide seed money for these projects.

The **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF)** is accepting donations to support Ukrainians forced to flee their homes due to the Russian invasion. To make a donation, go to pwrdf.org/give-today and click on Response in Ukraine.

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Be Real, Belong, Believe It.

St. Stephen's is a welcoming and affirming Anglican parish which upholds that God's unconditional and inclusive love extends to all members of our human family equally and without reservation.

Yes. Everyone. We Mean It!

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