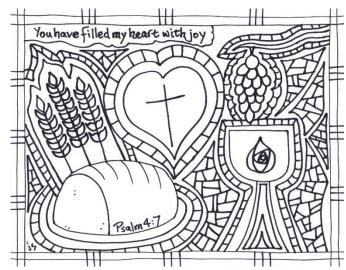
April 14, 2024

Easter 3

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY



All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured into the font.

We give you thanks, O God,

for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honour and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright BLUE 231

GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

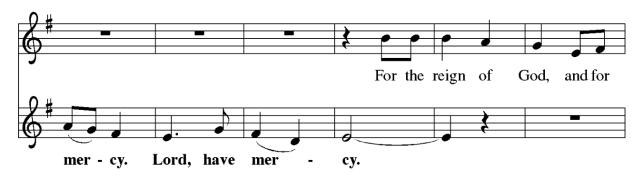
And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE





L: For the reign of God and peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

L: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the...

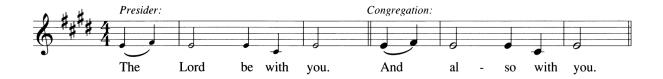
C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY



Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

CHOIR ANTHEM

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

After healing a man unable to walk, Peter preaches to the people, describing how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus.

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold

through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 4



¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender | of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and | hear my prayer.

²"You mortals, how long will you dishon- | or my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek | after lies?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders | for the faithful; the LORD will hear me | when I call.

⁴Tremble, then, and | do not sin; speak to your heart in silence up- | on your bed. R

⁵Offer the appointed | sacrifices, and put your trust | in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying, "Who will show us | any good?" Let the light of your face shine upon | us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness | in my heart, more than when grain and | wine abound.

⁸In peace, I will lie | down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me | rest secure. R

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

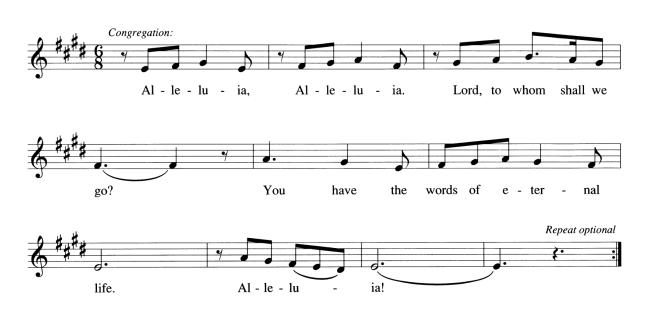
What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung twice)



GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your

hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY Touch That Soothes and Heals



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that the resurrection of Christ has defeated sin and death, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

For the church and its leaders; for those who witness to the risen Christ through their words or their actions; for the archbishop, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Algoma, and for the congregations of the Southern Manitoba Ministry Area of the Manitoba Northwestern Ontario Synod, that all be led to joy in the resurrection, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For stewards of creation; for farmers and ranchers, that the bounty of the earth provide for all who hunger or thirst, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For those who work to keep us safe: police officers and fire-fighters, military defence and international peacekeepers, local and national leaders; for an end to the military conflicts in Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan, that God's peace and compassion come to all, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the distressed, rejected, bereaved, sick, and frightened; for those who desire our prayers: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, Jim, Bill, Isa, Zoilita, Lisa, Barrie and Stella, Irene and Kelly, John and Julianna, Deborah and Ron, Elijah, Florence, Nicky and Dwayne, Sadie, Beth; for the family and friends who mourn the passing of Norma Wraight, and for those we name before you in our hearts (brief silence...), that that all experience the gift of healing, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For our community of All Saints, that we would boldly proclaim the joy we have in our new life in Christ, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

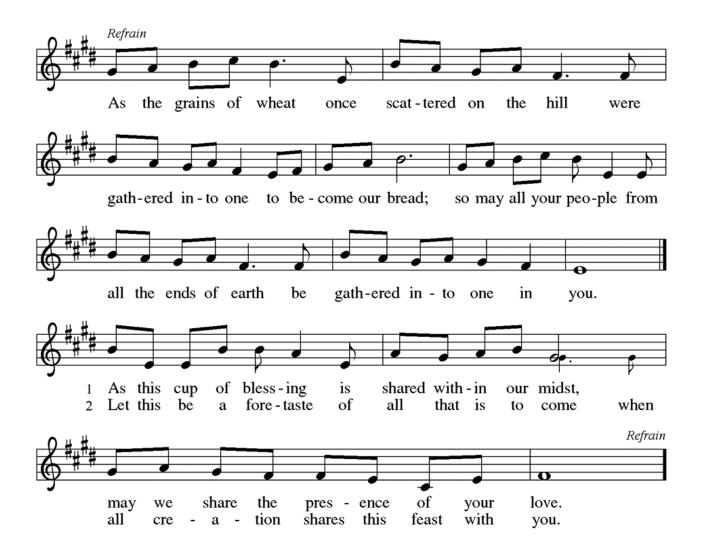
In thanksgiving for the witnesses of the faith who have died and are now at rest, that with them we have hope in the promises of the Author of Life, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

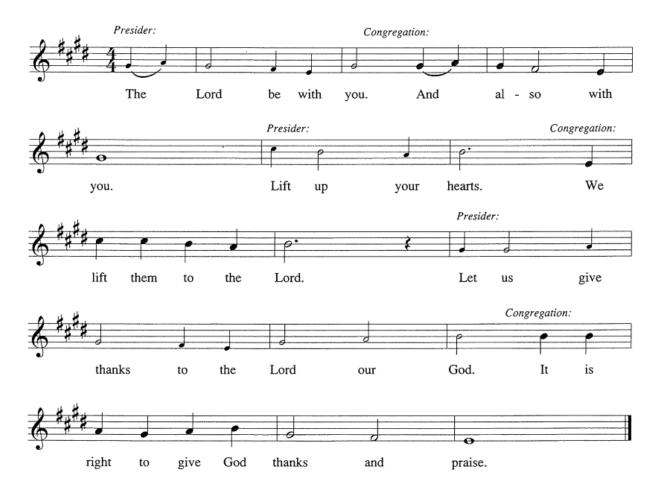


OFFERTORY PRAYER

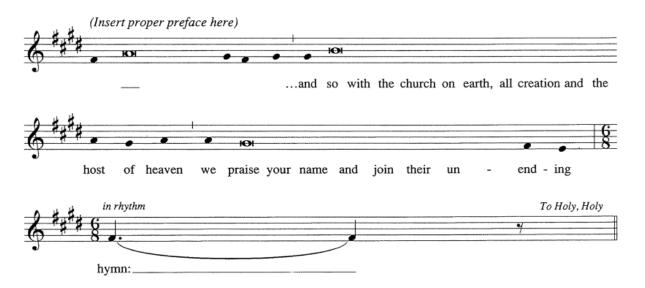
Let us pray:

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



PREFACE



SANCTUS



P: ... Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!

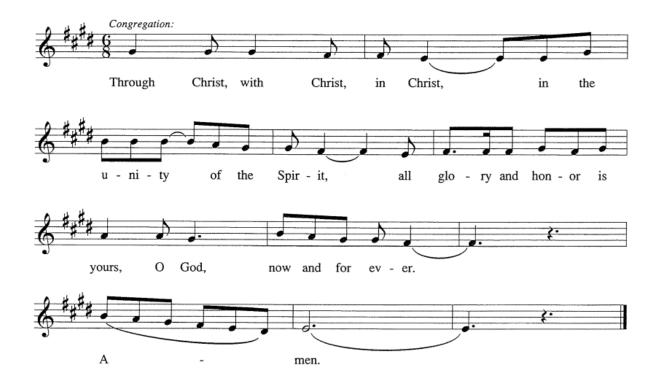
C: Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all your promises may come to us and your whole creation...

Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!

C: Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!

P: This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, and our friend.



LORD'S PRAYER



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God

- 1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
- 2. Lamb of God, you broke the bonds of sin and of death: Have mercy on us...
- 3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace...
- 4. Lamb of God, you are way of mercy and love...
- 5. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Be Not Afraid Red 388

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love Blue 504

Jesus Lives! Blue 239

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope

→ bless you now and always.

Amen.

The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.

SENDING SONG The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done RED 366

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad! Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information Today Next Sunday

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Assisting Minister	Penny Richards	Dennis Kunze
Servers	Jan Nielsen Dennis Kunze	John Szymanski Julianna Stephens
Reader	Pearl Robinson	Greg Elliott
Greeters	Carole Mozuraitis	Mark & Janet Weigel
Ushers	Marilyn Coleman Ray Steinke	Marilyn Coleman Ray Steinke
AV booth	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Laura B Mann Sheila Chappel Bonnie Lichty	Laura B Mann Sheila Chappel Bonnie Lichty
Counters	Jan Nielsen Anne Stuart	Mark Weigel Ena Sookraj
Flowers		
Coffee Hour	The Heaney family	Pat Gadsby Maureen Sizeland Knapp

Greeters: We are looking to return to pre-Covid times with regularly scheduled Greeters again! If you can help with important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.

NEW Photo Directory: There is an updated copy of the Photo Directory now available on the table in the narthex. Please support the printing cost of \$5.00 per copy by adding "Photo Directory" to the Other line of your offering envelope, or the message line of your etransfer. Thank you.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **Sunday April 21, 2024.** Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Public Lecture by John Dear, Priest, Peace Activist and Author We hope to see many of you on **Tuesday April 16th at 3 pm** in the church for this event. John Dear is a passionate and inspiring speaker about Jesus' core teaching of non-violence. He will be referring to his latest book, *The Gospel of Peace*, which is a commentary on the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke from the perspective of non-violence. Copies of his book will be available for purchase at \$25 cash. This event is co-sponsored by All Saints Church and the Guelph Seminar.

Environmental Stewardship Update: We have had great support for our fundraising in the first weeks of the campaign. This pie chart will be updated each week to show our progress towards our goal of \$30,000 by the end of August.

Donor & Pledge cards with envelopes are available in the narthex along with pictures of the plants we are hoping to put in the garden.

Thank you for your support!

Red Dress Sunday April 28, 2024: Please join us for a special service to honour MMIWG2S.

This is followed by a potluck lunch and Gallery Walk Event. The Gallery Walk program will begin at about 12:15 p.m. Friends and family are welcome to join us for any part the day's events.

Please sign up in the narthex if you can help with set up/ clean up (especially with food and making coffee!). Also please sign up if you are planning to attend so we have an idea of the numbers. Thank you.

Annual Meeting—save the date: Sunday May 5, 2024 will be our Annual Meeting/ Vestry Meeting after the service. Please join us for a sandwich potluck lunch, fellowship and meeting. Annual Reports will be available on April 21.

Silvercreek Community Market: We are in particular need of **RICE, red lentils, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce** and **cooking oil (1L size)**. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: April 15—21

Tuesday 16	3:00 p.m.	John Dear Event Nave
	5:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 17	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to office
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Forum via Zoom
Thursday 18	9:00 a.m.— 3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir practice Nave
Friday 19	5:30—11:00 p.m.	Eastern Star Rental Rose Head Hall
	6:00—10:00 p.m.	Rental Choir Room
Saturday 20	All day	Rental Rose Head Hall
Sunday 21	8:30 a.m.	Easter 3 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Easter 3 Holy Communion—Nave