

April 21, 2024

Easter 4B

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.

GATHERING SONG Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! RED 385

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

Leader
In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Detailed description: This musical score is for the first part of the Kyrie. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a 'Leader' part on the top staff and an 'Assembly' part on the bottom staff. The second system also has two staves. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 'In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have For the reign of God, and for mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.'

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.


Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.


Detailed description: This musical score is for the second part of the Kyrie. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a top staff with the lyrics 'Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.' The second system has two staves with the lyrics 'mer - cy. A - men.' The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time.

HYMN OF PRAISE


Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion




sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God. *Refrain*




2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

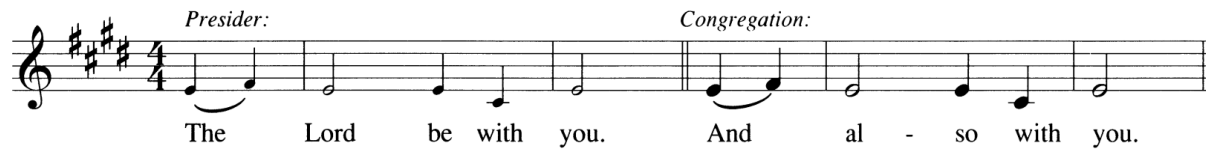


3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY



Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

CHOIR ANTHEM

FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12

Peter and John had been arrested the previous day when they had healed the man who had been lame from birth and then stirred up the crowd with their teaching about Jesus' resurrection.

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Lord's My Shepherd

BLUE 519

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung twice)

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us RED 789

✕ CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM

Sponsors: *We present Summer Lynn Marie Evans to receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism.*

In Holy Baptism God graciously delivers us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Through water and the word, the Holy Spirit calls us to walk a new life in God. In this new life, we are joined across time and space to our ancestors who have lived and died trustingly and to the whole Christian community on earth. Their witness supports our Christian journey.

Alex and Mandy, as you bring Summer to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

- to live with her among God's faithful people,
- bringing her to the word of God and the holy supper,
- teaching her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
- placing in her hands the holy scriptures,
- and nurturing her in faith and prayer so that she may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace in all the world.

Will you help Summer grow in the Christian faith and life?

We will, with God's help.

Ian and Elizabeth, will you nurture Summer in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and help her live in the covenant of baptism?

I will, with God's help.

The congregation stands.

People of God, will you uphold and support Summer in her new life in Christ?

We will, with God's help.

To all here gathered, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that strive to corrupt and destroy God's creation?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce those desires that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God, the Source of all Being?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Eternal Word?

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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God, the Holy Spirit?

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.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy us and all living things. Through the waters of the flood, you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea, you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness, you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the Promised Land. By the baptism of his death and resurrection, Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

AM pours water into the baptismal font.

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer Jew or Greek, no longer slave or free, no longer male or female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

The congregation is seated.

Summer Lynn Marie Evans, you are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

The presiding minister uses oil to make the sign of the cross on the person's forehead while saying:

Summer, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

The presiding minister lays both hands on the baptized person while saying:

All Holy God: as a mother tenderly gathers her children, as a father joyfully welcomes his own, you embrace your people with compassion and grace. We give you thanks for freeing us from the power of sin and for raising us up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Sustain Summer in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen**

Gracious God, look kindly upon *Mandy and Alex*, the parents of this child. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for Summer. Strengthen them in their faith so that they may share eternally the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Sovereign God, give strength and wisdom to all who take up the good work of baptismal sponsorship. Strengthen Elizabeth and Ian in their own convictions, confirm them in their resolve to nurture those yet young in their faith, and help them to be examples of faith active in love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A congregational representative lights a baptismal candle from the Paschal Candle and presents it to a parent or sponsor while saying to the baptized:

Let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. **Amen**

Let us welcome our newly baptized sister:

We welcome you into God's family. We receive you with great joy to live with us in the body of Christ, to share with us in God's new creation giving thanks and praise to God, and to bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

The Congregation may express its welcome with applause...

*The congregation stands to sing "**Baptized and Set Free**" (verses 1 and 4 only):*

- 1 We are people created, chosen by God.
Then we're washed, ever gently, in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more. Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing, and wholeness and more.

- 4 Now with praise and thanksgiving, we join the song.
All are welcome! We gather to sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved but set free! From now on, all will be
one in Jesus, one in water, baptized and set free!

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 leaders of churches: bishops, priests, pastors, and deacons; for those who teach in our seminaries and schools; for the bishop, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Huron, and for the congregations of the Western Manitoba Ministry Area, that salvation from sin and death be preached to all the world in word and deed, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the beauty of creation; for those who care for the land and for all creatures; for those who spend time in nature for their joy and renewal, that all would see God's goodness revealed in creation, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the rulers of nations and those who provide counsel to them; for those with power weapons at their disposal, that they be guided by the command to love one another, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For those living without hope; for the people of Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and everywhere violence is an ever-looming threat; for the sick and all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; for those who desire our prayers: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, Jackie, Jim, Bill, Isa, Zoilita, Lisa, Barrie and Stella, Irene and Kelly, John and Julianna, Deborah and Ron, Elijah, Florence, Nicky and Dwayne, Sadie, Beth, Ron, (*brief silence...*), that they would know the comfort of the Lord surrounding them, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For families and friends; for those absent from worship today; for those celebrating significant events in their lives – especially for Alex and Mandy on the occasion of their daughter’s baptism this morning – that the Holy Spirit guide all people in their work and their journeys, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

In thanksgiving for those who have died and by whose lives we have been nourished, that we be bold in believing God’s promise to be with us always, 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

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

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

The score is written in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff is labeled 'Presider:' and 'Congregation:'. The second staff is also labeled 'Presider:' and 'Congregation:'. The third staff is labeled 'Presider:'. The fourth staff is labeled 'Congregation:'. The fifth staff has no label.

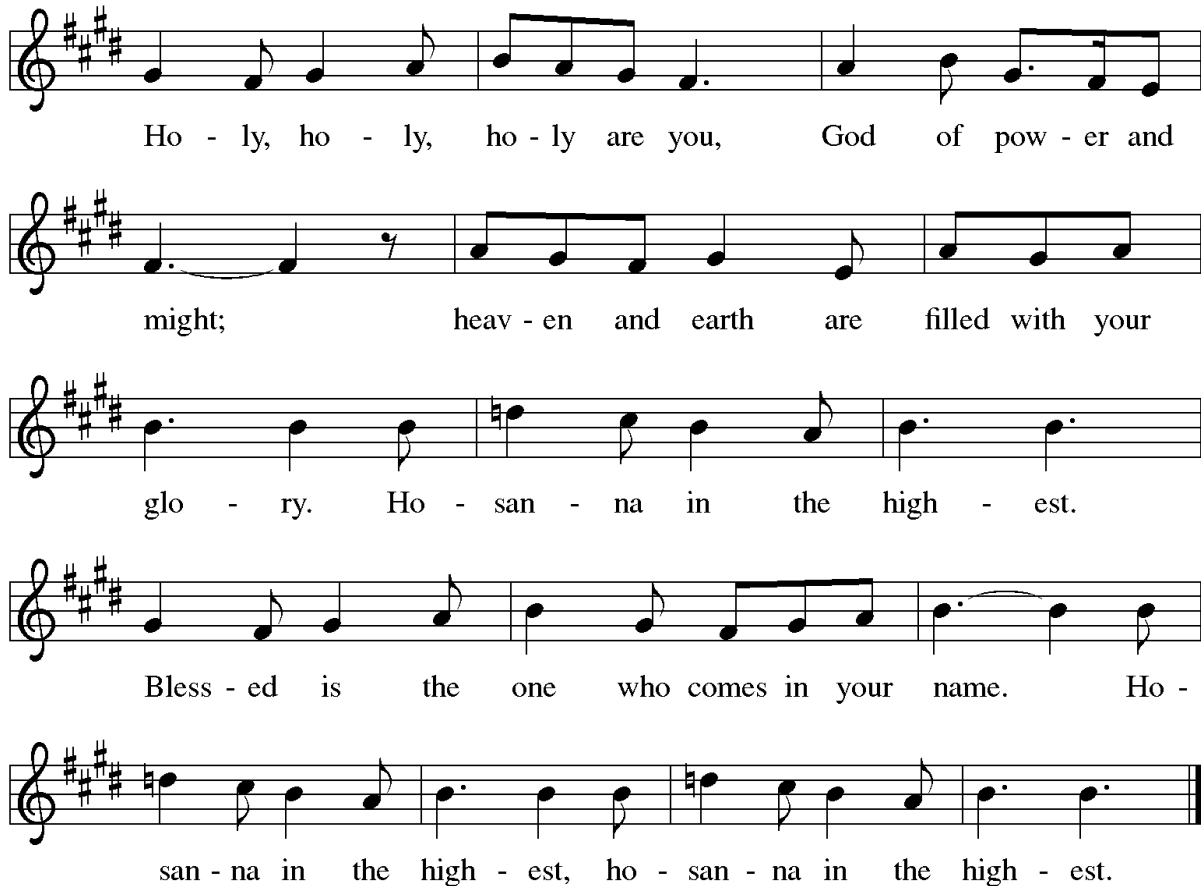
The Lord be with you. And al - so with
you. Lift up your hearts. We
lift them to the Lord. Let us give
thanks to the Lord our God. It is
right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

The score is written in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 6/8 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has a placeholder '(Insert proper preface here)'. The second staff has lyrics. The third staff is labeled 'in rhythm' and 'To Holy, Holy' and has a blank line for a hymn.

...and so with the church on earth, all creation and the
host of heaven we praise your name and join their un - end - ing
hymn: _____

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

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

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

Red 769

Shepherd Me, O God

Red 780

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.**

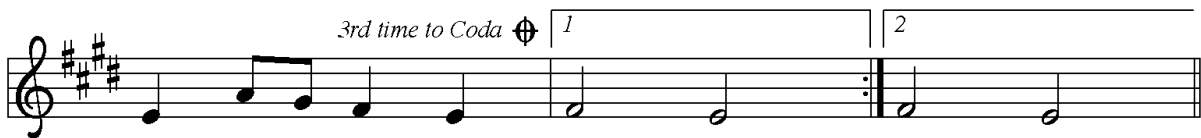
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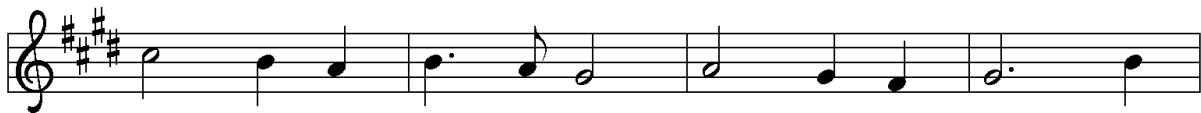
1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

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 King of Love My Shepherd Is
BLUE 520**

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Dennis Kunze	Anne Stuart
Servers	John Szymanski Marilyn Bleach Schranz	Julianna Stephens Kishan Gunawardene
Reader	Greg Elliott	Judy Rogers
Greeters	Mark & Janet Weigel	Bonnie Lichty
Ushers	Marilyn Coleman Ray Steinke	Marilyn Coleman Ray Steinke
AV booth	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen	John Szymanski Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Laura B Mann, Sheila Chappel & Bonnie Lichty	Laura B Mann, Sheila Chappel & Bonnie Lichty
Counters	Mark Weigel Ena Sookraj	Kate Stuttaford Denis Kunze
Flowers		Lucy Reid
Coffee Hour	Pat Gadsby & Maureen Sizeland Knapp	Potluck

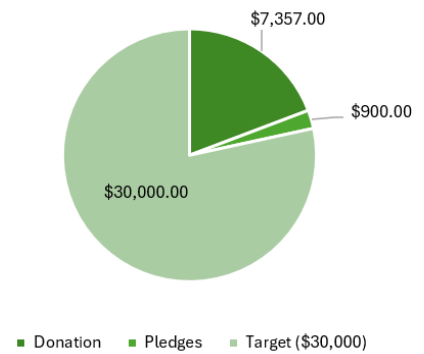
Greeters: We are looking to return to pre-Covid times with regularly scheduled Greeters again! If you can help with important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **today**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Parish Care Workshop: Tuesday April 30, 2024 (note the date change) at 1:00 p.m. in the Parlour. This will be a University Health Network Education Series on "The Heart: Anatomy and Disease".

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.

April 21 Fundraising Update



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 missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls and two spirit people. Keeping them in mind and taking action is an important part of the reconciliation process we need to be engaged in as Canadians. The service will be followed by a potluck lunch and Gallery Walk event.

The Gallery Walk program will begin at about 12:15 p.m. and features a short video and several pieces of art for reflection. Resources will also be available for writing postcards to politicians urging action. Friends and family are welcome to join us for any part of 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: 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 after the service today.

Birdwatching in the Arboretum—Saturday May 11: This event is a fundraiser in support of ECM. We will meet in the Arboretum parking lot at 8:30 am, and from there retired Zoology Professor Sandy Middleton will guide us on a two-hour birdwatching walk. We expect to see many species of birds, including migratory ones. Sign up to secure your spot: only 12 available, at \$20 each. Call Lucy Reid at 416-890-1332, or email her at lreid08@gmail.com.

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 22–28

Tuesday 23	7:00 p.m.	POM Project, Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 24	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to office
Thursday 25	7:00 p.m.	Choir practice, Nave
Saturday 27	TBA	Funeral for Jackie Norris
Sunday 28	8:30 a.m.	Easter 4, Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Easter 4, Holy Communion—Nave
	11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Potluck and Gallery Walk, Rose Head Hall

Organist

Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann, Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

