

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am Service

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Deacon: The Rev. Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Liturgical Assistant: Jeff Oneski

Deacon: The Rev. Julianne Hendrickson

Caron Ross is Warden on duty today

Music Director: Mary Martell

The Leadership Team at St. Peter's

If you or someone you know is ill or in need of pastoral care,
please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.

Please feel free to direct any inquiries, questions or concerns to one of the wardens.

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May 8, 2016
Ascension Sunday and Jerusalem Sunday
10:00 am



St. Peter's Anglican Church
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Ascension Sunday and Jerusalem Sunday

Today, the Seventh Sunday of Easter, we celebrate the Ascension of Christ. The ascension took place 40 days after the resurrection, so the calendar date is always on a Thursday (this year May 5). We transfer the feast to Sunday because of its importance for our lives as followers of Jesus.

This Sunday, the Anglican Church of Canada also celebrates our companionship in God's mission with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem in Jerusalem, Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. The Diocese is a historic and active member of the Christian, ecumenical and interfaith community of the Middle East.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Call to Silence

*As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God.
As its sounds fade away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.*

Processional Hymn #378 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Greeting

God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. *Psalm 47.5*

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Introduction

The Ascension Reading

A Reading From Acts 1:1-11 Caron Ross

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he

said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Response: Alleluia. Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Seeing we have a great high priest who has passed through the heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us offer him the praise worthy of his name.

The Gloria (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.

Let us pray that our risen and ascended Lord will lead us to eternal life.

Collect

Risen Christ, **you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:**

help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side,

where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Children's Talk

The Children are invited to come forward, then leave for Spirit Zone and return for Eucharist. Nursery is also available. Speak to an usher for more information.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A reading from Ephesians 1:15-23 Angela Bane

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn ##374, vs 3 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

The Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus 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." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

Gradual Hymn #374, vs 1,2 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Nicene Creed BAS (Green Book) Page 188

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father'. Alleluia. *John 14.27,28*

The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: Soloist, Corinne MacLean, The Holy City by S. Adams.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Prayer over the Gifts:

Eternal God, **our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Eucharistic Prayer #3 BAS (Green Book) p. 198

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross. **Now we are raised to new life.**
We were buried in your tomb. **Now we share in your resurrection.**
Live in us, that we may live in you.

Agnus Dei (Sung)

The Giving of Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb. Alleluia.

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn: #68 We Hold the Death of the Lord

Communion Hymn: Lord, Make Me a Channel of your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your Love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

[Chorus:]

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring Hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy. *[Chorus:]*

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal Life.

Prayer after Communion (Please stand)

God our Father, you have raised our humanity in Christ and have fed us with the bread of heaven: mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in the heavenly places; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more that 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 DISMISSAL

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1.12,13a,14)

Then the disciples returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying. They were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Silence is kept.

Responsory

As we wait in silence,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we listen to your word,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,
make us ready for your coming Spirit.

Silence is kept.

Blessing

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

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 #577 God of Grace and God of Glory

Dismissal

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Today's service is taken from *Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England* (2000) (including the Psalter as published with *Common Worship*)

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Korea and their clergy, The Most Rev. Paul Kim.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Michael and All Angels, Strathmore and their clergy; The Rev. Bryan Beveridge and The Rev. Betty Bradley for the Vocational Deacons.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Andrew with Holy Innocents, St. Giles and St. Michael, Grenada and their clergy; The Rev. Fr. Michael Marshall and for Christ-The-King with St. Francis Carriacou, Grenada and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Clement Francis MPS (Emeritus).
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Clyde Elford, JW Sharpe, Marguerite Dimmer, Mikayla Desrosiers, Hetty Alexander, Chan Yawp, Nellie Werth, Jennifer Wiebe, Rachel Patrick, Lillian Neale, Olive Holgate, Sharon James, Fred Tom Jaeger, Edna Webb, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Emily and Kyle Rousell, Kolby Thomson, Kenneth Robertson, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes. *(Please note that names listed are for one month. If you wish a name to remain on the list, you must reconfirm with the office at 403-252-0393.)*
- Congratulations to Ashley Rowland and Quinn Hutson who were joined in Holy Matrimony at St. Peter's on May 7th. May God's Blessing be upon them.
- Congratulations to David Ney on his convocation. He is now officially The Reverend Dr. David Ney.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.