



Welcome to St. George's Morning Prayer Service!

Please introduce yourself as you arrive and feel free to chat with others. Once the service starts we will mute your microphone so everyone can hear the service.

If you would like us to pray for you or someone else by name, please send us a prayer request via the chat box marked: Prayers-

There will be welcome and a brief introduction at 10:25am. Then there will be a prelude to begin our service at 10:30.



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: AN ONLINE SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

Sunday April 19, 2020
10:30am

Prelude:
Méditation sur
"O Filii et filiae"
Denis Bédard (b.1950)

(Leonardo Carrieri – Organ)





Opening Responsories

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Officiant: Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believed.

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen

People: **The Lord is risen indeed!**

Officiant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People : **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**



The Readings

Psalm 16

Said by all

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Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

**Their libations of blood I will not offer,
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me, night after night.

**I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the Pit.**

You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever.
Amen.**

Officiant: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.

People: **O come, let us worship.**

The Gloria: St. George's Church

New Testament Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know- this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption. 'This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Reader: Parole du Seigneur.

***People:* Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.**

A moment of silence is observed



HYMN

The Day of Resurrection

CP 205

A Reading from the Gospel of John (John 20.19-31)

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**





A short time of silence is observed to ponder the readings and psalms.

Homily

The Rev. Karen Egan



Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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.

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.



HYMN

Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

CP 224



The Prayers of the People

Leader: Gracious Lord, we thank you for the mercy and compassion you showed to Thomas, dealing gently with him amid his doubts and restoring him to faith and hope. Give us the same mercy: alleviate our doubts, calm our fears, restore us to hope, and lead us to trust you ever more deeply and to rely ever more fully on your gracious and never-failing promises of presence, forgiveness, and salvation. We pray to you, risen Lord:

***All:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Everlasting Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your son into the world to suffer, die, and rise again for our salvation, that your church might be the place for those who seek you to reach out and feel your presence.

Prayers for the church are offered

Leader: Breathe your Holy Spirit on your church, that we together may bring new life to all who seek your presence in their lives. We pray to you, risen Lord.

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Almighty Father, in the resurrection, Jesus the Christ brought your gift of peace to his disciples, that we might be reconciled to you for ever.

Prayers for the world are offered

Leader: Give all the peoples of the earth that peace which the world cannot give, that all may know the breadth and depth of your forgiveness. We pray to you, risen Lord.

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God of mercy, in his life, Jesus healed the sick and the suffering; in his death, he bore the wounds of all that we might be restored to wholeness and raised to new life with him.

The names of the sick and suffering are offered

The names of particular health care workers are offered

I invite your prayers for those who you know are in need of our prayers.

Please offer your prayers, as the Spirit moves you

Heal those who are wounded in body and spirit, give courage to all who serve you in serving the sick, and give assurance to those who are anxious about their loved ones who are sick at this time. Restore all to health and happiness.

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God of light and life, your son is risen, bringing eternal life and to all.

We remember those who have died, praying that you will welcome them home particularly praying for those in this city who have died at this time of Covid-19.

The names of those who have died are offered

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

***All:* And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader: May they rest in peace and rise in Christ's glory. Bless and comfort their loved ones and give us faith in your promises always, we pray to you, risen Lord.

***All:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Eternal God, you come to the locked doors of our hearts, bringing the light of your presence into our darkest corners. Accept the prayers we offer you this day, that our doubts may give way to a holy and certain hope and our fears to your everlasting peace. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

***All:* Amen.**

Holy God, your blessed Son Jesus Christ went about doing good, and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people. We pray that you would continue his gracious work among us: cheer, heal, and sanctify the sick; grant to the physicians, surgeons, and nurses wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience; and send down your blessing upon all who work to prevent suffering, especially those who have been tending to the homeless in our city, and we look to you always to forward your purposes of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter:

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray:

All: 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.
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom,
the Power, and the Glory,
now and forever,
Amen.



Blessing

The Officiant Offers a Blessing

People: Amen.

Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Announcements

- For information email or call the church office
(office@st-georges.org) or 514-866-7113
- Mid-week Online Worship Wednesday @12:15pm
Bible study on same link immediately follows.
- Virtual coffee hours:
Tuesday and Thursday from 4-5pm
Wednesday and Friday 7-8pm (all are welcome)

Look for info by email from church and on social media



Postlude

Heut' triumphiret Gottes Sohn – J.S. Bach

(BWV 630 – Today God's Son triumphed)

Performed by *Anton Heiller*

Please consider sending your offering as you are financially able

- ❖ Interac transfer to: accounting@st-georges.org
- ❖ Mail in Cheque to St. George's Church, 1101 Stanley St., Montreal, QC, H3B 2B6
- ❖ Credit Card or Paypal through Canada Helps
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