

09 April 2023 - Easter Day



Photo of Jesus' tomb – taken by Carole Chorostecki

Opening Hymn – CP203 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is risen today, al-le-lu-jah!
our triumphant holy day, al-le-lu-jah!
who did once upon the cross, al-le-lu-jah!
suffer to redeem our loss, al-le-lu-jah!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, al-le-lu-jah!
unto Christ our heavenly King, al-le-lu-jah!
who endured the cross and grave, al-le-lu-jah!
winners to redeem and save, al-le-lu-jah!

But the pains which he endured. Al-le-lu-jah!
our salvation have procured. Al-le-lu-jah!
new above the sky he's king. Al-le-lu-jah!
where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-jah!

Land Acknowledgement

We gather here mindful of the many who, for millennia, have called this valley home or depended on its trails for safe passage. We know this community as Fernie; it is also the unceded territory of the Ktunaxa people and Métis Nation. We strive for reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, and pray that the Creator will guide our way.

Candle Lighting

We light this single candle to celebrate
**that we have found new ways to be together
new ways to be family, in person and online,**
united as the body of Christ. Amen

Call to Worship

The grace of our 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 open, 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 Christ our Lord. Amen

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 sins 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.

Collect of the Day

God's unlimited by mortal fear or the tomb's cold grip:
in the lingering dark give us grace to know your life triumphant,
your love undimmed, and your grace affirmed in the face of Jesus Christ,
the firstborn from the dead. **Amen**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009)

Psalmist – Reverend Canon Andrea L. Brennan

Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24

(arrangement by George Black)

**REFRAIN On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever." **R**

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

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

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

the right hand of the Lord is exalted!

the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

the right hand of the Lord is exalted! **R**

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

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. **R**

Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter." **R**

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

The same stone which the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone. **R**

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

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

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

CP715 - Gospel Acclamation (Celtic Alleluia)

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The Word of the Lord lasts forever,

What is the Word that is living?

It is brought to us through his Son Jesus Christ.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Reader: Carole Chorostecki

Readings: Matthew 28.1-10

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Matthew

Praise to you, O Jesus Christ.

The Resurrection of Jesus

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, O Jesus Christ.

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Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Sermon: The Reverend Canon Andrea L. Brennan – “And so it goes...”

Apostles' Creed

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 life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People #9 (Morning) – Bruce Elson

Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

Silence

Let us ask the Lord, for a day of fulfilment and peace.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us ask the Lord to teach us to love others as God has loved us.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us ask the Lord for peace and justice in the world.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us ask the Lord to strengthen and relieve those who are in need.

Lord, have mercy.

Today we give thanks especially for –

Linda, our Primate; for Lynne, our Archbishop; for Andrea, our Regional Dean;

For Carmen, our Moderator; For Deborah, our Regional President,

for Treena, our Executive Minister, for Kathy, our Regional Minister.

For the Anglican Church of Canada,

for the Diocese of Kootenay, for the East Kootenay Region,

For the United Church of Canada, for the Pacific Mountain Region,

Lord, have mercy.

Let us ask the Lord to renew the Church through the power of God's life-giving Spirit.

Lord, have mercy. Amen

Confession

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen**

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace

We are the body of Christ; in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

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Doxology (sung)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer Over the Gifts

Blessed are you O God,

ruler of heaven and earth. 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 to praise you and to respond to those in need,**

through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Eucharistic Prayer BAS #3

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb
who has taken away the sin of the world.

By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again
he has won for us eternal life.

Therefore joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful
hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus - CP719 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (Land of Rest Setting)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes, in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him you have brought us from error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to God's command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this cup.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit on these gifts, that may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church and the author of our salvation.

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread BAS 87 - Easter Season

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.

Invitation to receive the elements

Dear friends,

I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ,
in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people,
unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

**We welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you;
with all our hearts, minds, our soul and our strength, with the saints we worship
you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your
reign. Come to us, through many, and make us one in you.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion Hymn – CP482 Come and Journey with a Saviour

Come and journey with a Saviour, who has called us from our birth,
who has washed us in the waters, and who loved us on the earth.

Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come.

We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.

Come and journey, journey inward, come and seek him deep within,
where he meets us in our living, in our striving and our sin.

Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come.

We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.

Come and journey, journey outward, telling others of his name,
telling others of his glory, of his cross and of the shame.

Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come.

We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.

Come and journey, journey outward, where that cross calls us to care,
where injustice and where hunger and the poor call us to share.
Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come.
We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.

Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God,

In the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people.

Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

A Prayer for Renewal

O God who knows the needs of the Church in every place:
by the light of your Holy Spirit, guide us
as we seek to respond faithfully to you in this time.

May we open our hands to the future you call us to;
May we open our hearts to those you are calling us to serve;
May we open our minds to new insight and new knowledge;
May we open our doors to go out towards those you would have us meet.
Lead us into your future together;
help us to build trust and resilience in our common life;
help us to anticipate and celebrate new possibilities.
We pray these things in the name of Jesus,
the one who invites us into the newness of life.

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**

Blessing

May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, sustain you and those for whom you love and serve this day and always. **Amen**

Extinguishing our Candles

We depart from this Worship Service

**confident in the knowledge that, whether online or in person
we will see each again soon. Thanks be to God. Amen**

Sending Song - CP405 Alleluia No. 1

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

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dismissal

Our Worship may be finished, but our service is only beginning.
Let us depart in peace to love and serve our God.

Thanks be to God. Amen

Upcoming this week...

Monday 10 April – Work from Home

10:00 am – Pastoral Call

Tuesday 11 April – NO OFFICE HOURS

11:00 am – Funeral in Elko

1:00 pm – Pastoral Call

Wednesday 12 April – Office Hours

10:00 am – Saints Day BCP Matins

Thursday 13 April – Office Hours

Friday 14 April – Andrea+ Sabbath

Saturday 15 April – Sermon Writing and catch-up

NEXT WORSHIP – Holy Humour Sunday

Sunday 16 April

10:00 am – Morning Prayer (United Church Liturgy)

1:30 pm – Worship Service - Rocky Mountain Village

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