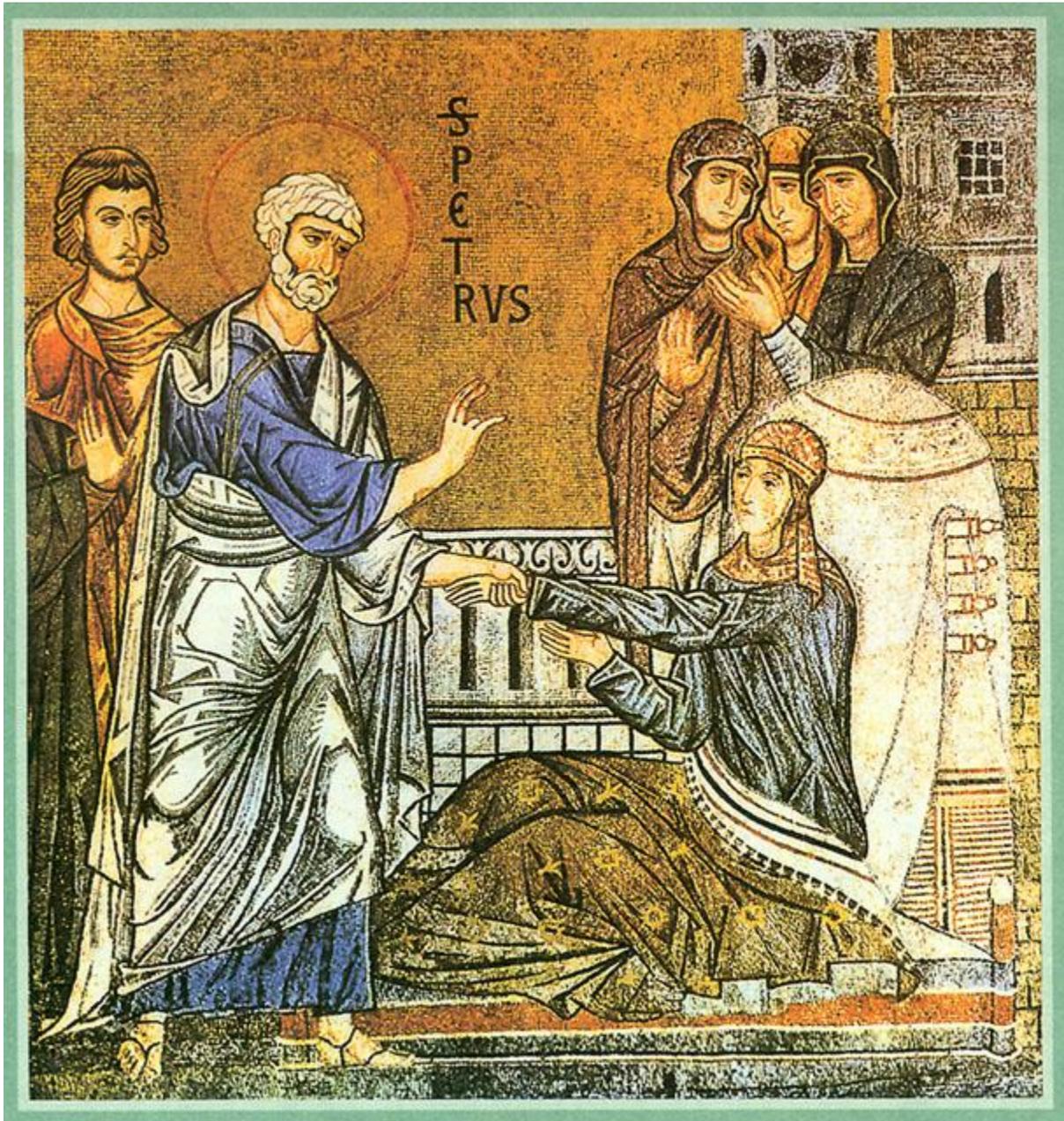


Easter 4 - Sunday 8 May 2022



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Opening Hymn - CP519

The Lord's my shepherd I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie In pastures green;
he, leadeth me, the quiet waters by.

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

Our days are growing longer, slowly, slowly.

We light this single candle to remind us

that even though things are not yet as we'd like them to be, we continue to wait...somewhat patiently, and join together in person and online, dreaming, hoping, wishing for that day when we will gather again, not necessarily as we wish, yet as we are able.

Call to Worship

Alleluia! The Lord is Risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you!

May he fill our hearts with joy!

Trisagion - may be said 3x

Holy God,

holy and mighty,

holy immortal one,

have mercy upon us.

Confession

Dear friends in Christ,

as we turn our hearts and minds

to worship almighty God,

let us confess our sins,

confident in God's forgiveness

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

Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

AMEN

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

O God,
**our beginning and our end:
accept our doubts,
heal our desire for certainty
and, by your Spirit's gentle touch,
make us a people forgiven and forgiving;
through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace.**

AMEN

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009), alt.

Reader: Suzanne Artley

Reading: Acts 9.36-43

Peter in Lydda and Joppa

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and

helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: The Reverend Andrea L. Brennan - "Peter - A Success Story"

Our Creed

We are not alone,

We live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

We Responding in Giving and Gratitude

Our Church Tithes and Offerings

If you wish to make a donation to support our ministry
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Hymn of Praise – CP378

Crown him with many crowns, the lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Prayers of the People - John T. Shannon

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Linda, our Primate; for Lynne, our Archbishop; for Neil, our Regional Dean;

For Richard, our Moderator; Blair, 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,

For all who serve God in the Church.

For our own needs and those of others.

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

For all those who struggle with the ongoing Pandemic,

For all those who are waiting on booster shoots,

For those who are uncertain whether or not to vaccinate,

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

For all those who are suffering in Ukraine and Russia

For all those who are casualties of war in Afghanistan, Eritrea, Ethiopia

Ethiopia, Myanmar, Syria and around the world.

For those who are uncertain whether peace will ever be known.

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence is kept

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our king;

And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially June Eliason.

Silence is kept

The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Gracious God,
you have heard the prayers of your faithful people;
you know our needs before we ask,
and our ignorance in asking.

Grant our requests as may be best for us.

This we ask in the name of your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

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.

Hymn of Thanksgiving - CP361

Surely it is God who saves me; I shall trust and have no fear.

For the Lord defends and shields me and his saving help is near.

So rejoice as you draw water from salvation's healing spring;

in the day of your deliverance thank the Lord, his mercies sing.

Paraphrase of The Lord's Prayer

Eternal Spirit,

Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be.

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name

echoes through the universe!

**The way of your justice
be followed by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another,
forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. AMEN**

Doxology

Glory to God

**All 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**

Extinguishing our Candles

As we move from this time of community and communion
**we hold in our prayers those who are with us in person,
on screen and in our hearts,**
knowing that one day, we know not what day,
**we will be together again, not necessarily as we wish,
but as we are able. AMEN**

Sending Prayer

May the God of hope fill us with all
joy and peace in believing
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
AMEN

Sending Song - VU884 You Shall Go Out with Joy

You shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you,
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands!

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
the trees of the fields will clap their hands,
the trees of the fields will clap their hands,
while you go out with joy!!

Upcoming this week...

Monday 9 May - Administration and Worship Prep

Tuesday 10 May - Fernie Knox United Office Hours

Wednesday 11 May - 10:00 am Worship at Christ Church Anglican

1:00 pm - Joint M&P Workshop at Fernie Knox United Church

Thursday 12 May - Worship and Homiletic Prep

Noon - Kootenay Cluster by Zoom

3:00 pm - Meeting in Cranbrook

Friday 13 May - Andrea+'s Sabbath

Saturday 14 May - Catch up and Sermon Writing

NEXT WORSHIP – 15 May 2022 – Easter 5 – Blessing and Memorial Service

10:00 am Worship – Broadcasting from Fernie Knox United Church

1:30 pm - ~~Worship at Rocky Mountain Village~~ Cancelled Due to COVID outbreak

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