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Words of Welcome

God is good, **all the time...** all the time, **God is good.**

Hymn: Jesus, Stand Among Us **VU 396**

- 1 Jesus, stand among us in your risen power; let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.
- 2 Breathe the Holy Spirit into every heart; bid the fears and sorrows from each soul depart.
- 3 Lead our hearts to wisdom till our doubting cease, and to all assembled speak your word of peace.

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

The angels proclaimed He is risen, the women proclaimed He is risen, the men proclaimed He is risen. All his disciples know Jesus Christ has risen. Let us make this our triumphant song.

Call to Worship:

We continue to hold the truth of Easter! Alleluia!
Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Though we have not seen him with our eyes, we love him.

Though we do not see him now, we believe in him.
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

By his great mercy, we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Come, let us worship the risen Lord with joy that is indescribable and full of glory!

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

Opening Prayer:

Risen and ever-living Lord Jesus, on this Second Sunday of Easter we rejoice that you are alive and present among us, even though we have not seen you as Thomas did. You have spoken peace into our fears, shown us your wounds through your holy Word, and called us to faith. Fill us with the living hope that comes from your resurrection. Though we walk by faith and not by sight, help us to love you more deeply and trust you more fully. Open our hearts to receive the inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us. Come, Lord Jesus, and make yourself known to us once again. We pray in your strong and saving name. Amen.

Hymn: Christ Is Alive VU 158 v. 1, 3, 5

- 1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- 3 In every insult, rift, and war, where colour, scorn, or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

5 Christ is alive and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

Children's Song: VU 575 v 1 & 4
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Children's Ministry

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Confession

Lord, forgive us when we lock the doors of our hearts because of fear. Forgive us when we fail to rejoice in you because our trials feel heavier than your promises. Forgive us for loving you so faintly and believing you so weakly. Have mercy on us, O God. By your Holy Spirit, strengthen our faith so that even without seeing, we may truly believe. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen

Scripture

1 Peter 1:3-9 read by Joan Peddle

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

John 20:19-31 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear

of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Reflection

Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful VU 291

R All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful: in love, God made them all.

1 Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colours, God made their tiny wings. R

2 The purple headed mountains, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky; R

3 The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden: God made them every one. R

4 The rocky mountain splendour, the lone wolf's haunting call, the great lakes and the prairies, the forest in the fall; R

5 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God our maker, who has made all things well. R

Communion

Invitation

Go out into the streets and lanes,
bring in the poor, the blind, and the lame.
Go out into the roads and alleyways,
compel people to come in,
that my house may be filled.
and my feast may be complete.

Luke 14:21-24

Call to Give Thanks

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.

Thanksgiving

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to

care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give you thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Song of Creation

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.

Remembering Jesus at Table

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your child Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the Mother and Father of us all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the Good News of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he was betrayed our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and after giving thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. And said, “Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

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

Prayer of Self-Giving

Gracious God, by the death of your child you have destroyed the power of death, and by raising him to life you have given us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayer of Transformation

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, O God, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body, one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Concluding Praise

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever. **Amen.**

With Jesus, we pray together, saying:

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread and filling of the Cup

Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life.

Jesus Christ, the True Vine.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Prayer after Communion

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world united in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Invitation to Share Offering

Musical Offering

Offertory Prayer:

Gracious and generous God, you have given us an inheritance that will never fade. In response to your great mercy and the resurrection of your Son, we bring these gifts today. Use them, Lord, to proclaim the good news to those who have not yet seen or believed. Multiply these offerings so that your Church may grow in faith, hope, and love. We offer them not because we have seen you with our eyes, but because we love you and trust you with all that we have. Through Christ our risen Lord we pray. Amen

Offering of Personal Prayers to God

Hymn: I Can Feel You Near Me God MV 48

1 1 I can feel you near me God. I can feel you near. Yes I know you're with me God. I feel you here. I can feel you near me God. I can feel you near. Yes I know you're with me God. Heaven is here.

R: And I'll jump for joy. I'm singing Alleluia. Jump for joy for you. I will jump for joy. I'm singing Alleluia. Jump for joy for you.

2 I can feel you loving me. Yes I know you care. God I know you're loving me. Always everywhere. I can feel you loving me. Yes I know you care. God I know you're loving me. I know you're there. R

Spoken Benediction

Even though you have not seen him, may you love him. Even though you do not see him now, may you believe in him with a joy that is indescribable and full of glory, as you receive the outcome of your faith—the salvation of your souls. And the blessing of Almighty God— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit— be with you and remain with you always.

Benediction: You Shall Go Out With Joy

VU 884

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, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap) while you go out with joy.

Postlude



Announcements

This Week at Mountain View

Mon: UCW 1:30pm Parlour

There will be a Parent & Child activity during Coffee & Conversation for the young and young-at heart – we hope all can join in!

Bible Study 1:00pm Sanctuary

Weds: Choir Practice 7:00pm Sanctuary

Thurs: Adult Fellowship 10:00am Hall

Drop by the church for a casual social time together. Join a board game or just catch up over coffee and snack. Everyone Welcome....Bring a friend!

Coming Up at Mountain View

Book Club: April 27 1:30pm Parlour

This month's book is Map of Salt and Stars by Zein Joukhadar

Crafts & Baking Market: May 9 @ 8:30–2:00

Posters available in the Narthex

Coming Up In Our Community:

St. John The Baptist Anglican Church Spring Concert

April 11th at 7:00 PM in St. John's Church Hall

Come and enjoy a lively night of Country and Gospel music featuring Ivan & Vivian Hicks & Sussex Avenue Fiddlers, Burning Bush, Maple Sugar...and more! Admission: Donation at the door. Bring your friends and family for a joyful evening of music, community, and praise. All are welcome! Funds raised will go towards our Parish ministry. Contact Sylvia Campbell on 506 381 6550

Made for Life: What's Wrong with MAID

April 14 at 6:15 PM at St. Andrew's Christian Church

For more information or to register, please see:

<https://evangelicalfellowship.ca/MadeForLife26>

Youth Employment Opportunity: St. Paul's United is looking to hire a Climate Motivator for a full time contract May 19 to July 10, 2026. Limited to ages 18 – 25. Please contact our church office if you would like more information.

Joyland - Due to growth in Joyland we are looking for a volunteer to lead either a K - Grade 5 or Grades 6 - 9 group. While it is possible to have all children and youth in the same class, spiritual needs will be better met if separated.

Camp Ta-Wa-Si - Funds are available to send two children from the congregation to Camp Ta-Wa-Si this summer. Any parents who have children interested in attending camp should contact the church office, Debbie Ellison or Barb Groundwater. For information on Camp Ta-Wa-Si, go to www.camptawasi.ca

Coffee & Conversation – we are looking for donations of cookies, crackers, and various other food “treats” to include in our Coffee & Conversation time as our stores are getting low. Please drop off any donations to the office.

Scripture Readers – we are always looking for scripture readers to participate during worship service. Please sign up in the Narthex or contact the office to be on our On-Call list.

M&S Contributions – if you want any part of your offering to be earmarked for Mission & Service purposes, please include “M&S” and signify the dollar amount on your offering envelope.

If you or you know someone that would like a home or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please contact the church office. Please note that due to hospital policy, Rev. Shaw is unable to visit patients without an express request from the patient or their next-of-kin. Home visits and/or phone calls can also be arranged by advising the office or calling during Rev. Jacob’s Wednesday office hours (9:00 – 12:00).

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