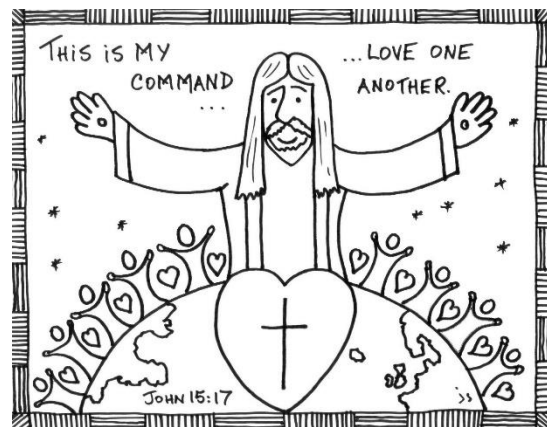


May 5, 2024
Easter 6

PRELUDE

WELCOME



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured into the font.

We give you thanks, O God,
**for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world, calling forth
life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honour and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

A New Commandment

(sung twice)



A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as



I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you.



By this shall peo - ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if



you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know



you are my dis - ci - ples: if you have love one for an - oth - er.

GREETING

The grace of the 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 opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

L: For the reign of God and peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

L: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, and defend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



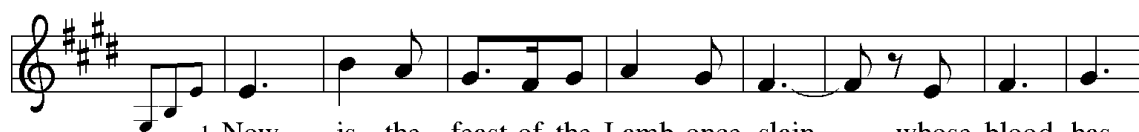
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung twice)

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

**HYMN OF THE DAY Will You Let Me Be Your Servant
RED 659**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that the resurrection of Christ has defeated sin and death, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

For the church on earth and for the ministry of congregations throughout the world; for the clergy and people of our Diocese of Niagara, and for our bishop, The Right Reverend Susan Bell, and her assistant bishop, The Most Reverend Colin Johnson; for the people and rostered ministers of the Saskatchewan Synod, and their bishop, Sid Haugen, that the Holy Spirit guide all to love and service, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For seas and fields, plants and animals; for the well-being of the earth, and for those who advocate for the just use of God's gifts, that all creation would thrive, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the nations of the world, that leaders serve faithfully and judge people with equity; for the end of conflict and violence in Gaza, the West Bank, and throughout the Middle East, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; for those who mourn and those who are lonely; for those who desire our prayers: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, Karen, Jim, Bill, Isa, Zoilita, Lisa, Barrie and Stella, Irene and Kelly, John and Julianna, Florence, Nicky and Dwayne, Sadie, Beth, and those we name in our hearts (*brief silence...*), that God provide them with compassionate caregivers, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For our community of All Saints, and especially on this the day of our Annual Vestry Meeting, giving thanks for all who provide leadership on our Church Council and Executive, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for all the saints who have died in Christ, that their faithfulness to the gospel inspire us every day, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

OFFERTORY

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen

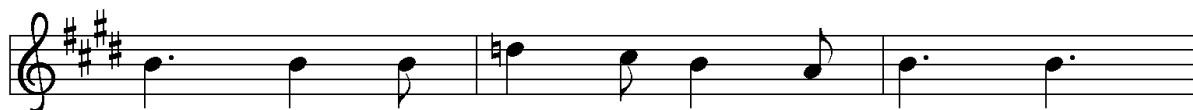
SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: ... Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!

C: **Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!**

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!

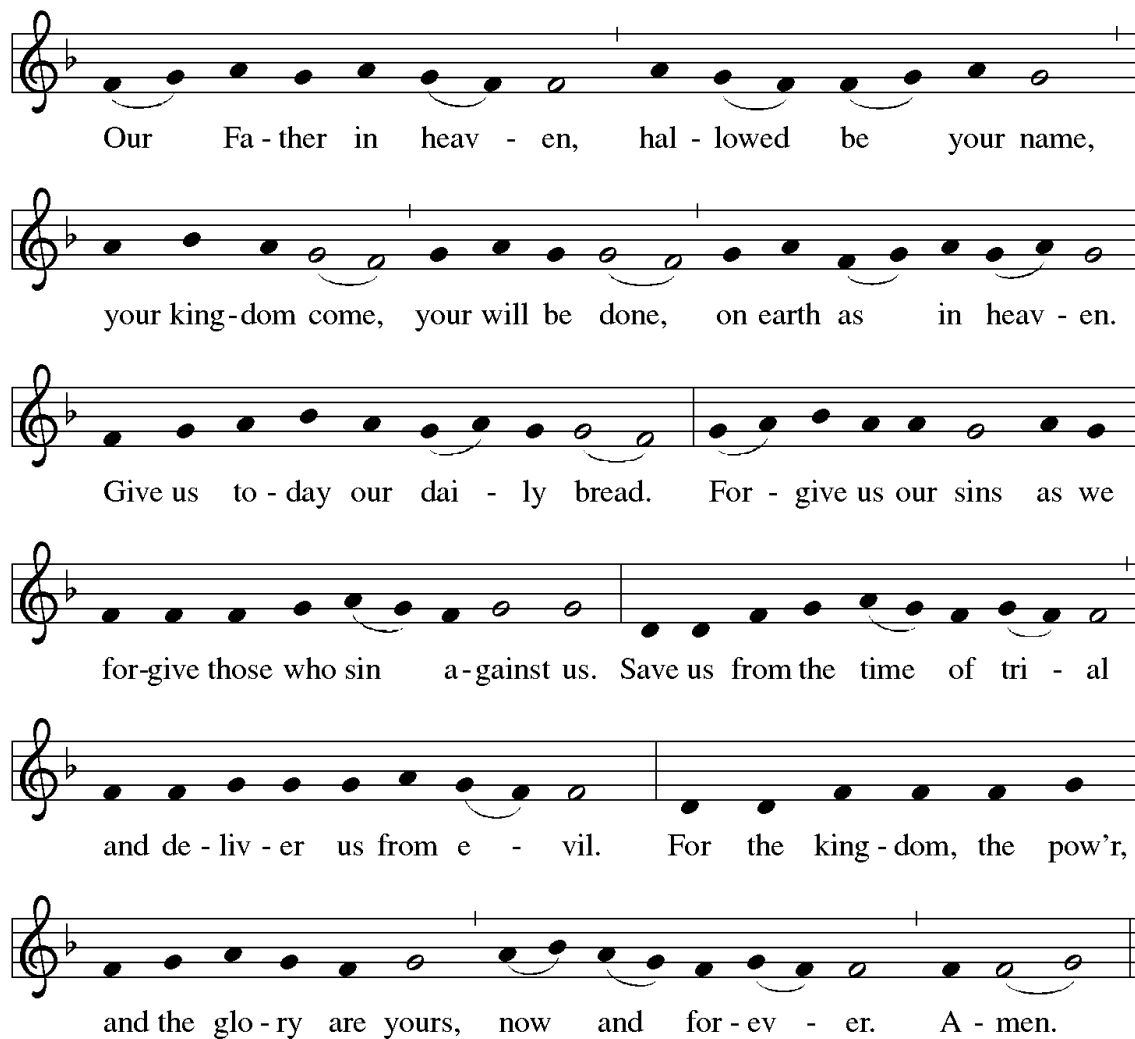
C: **Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!**

P: This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, and our friend.

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us
in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.
Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God

1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
2. Lamb of God, you broke the bonds of sin and of death:
Have mercy on us...
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace...
4. Lamb of God, you are way of mercy and love...
5. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Be Not Afraid

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Beautiful Saviour

RED 838

Jesus Loves Me

RED 595

TABLE BLESSING

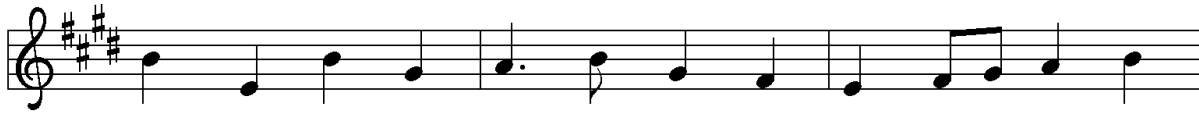
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

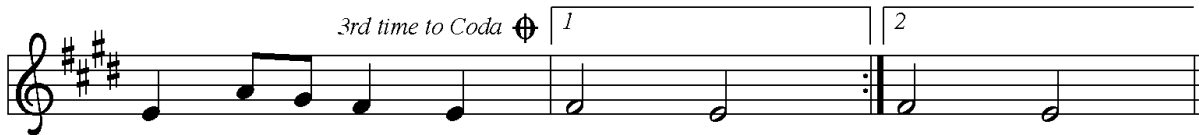
Praise to You



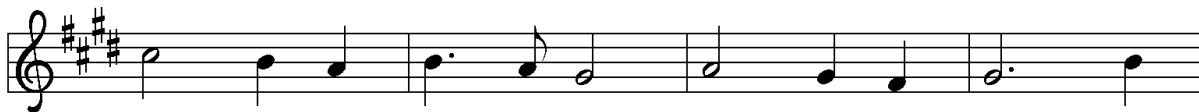
1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
‡ bless you now and always.

Amen.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

**SENDING SONG Let Streams of Living Justice
 BLUE 575**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Christine Morrison	Laura B Mann
Servers	Debbie Sippel Eitzen Werner Eitzen	Sandra Christie Marilyn Bleach Schranz
Reader	Val Webb	Marie Karn
Greeters	The Phillips Family	The Phillips Family
Ushers	The Phillips Family	The Phillips Family
AV booth	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen	Judy Rogers Michele Altermann
Altar Guild	Linda Zytner Matzi King Marilyn Coleman	Linda Zytner Matzi King Sheila Chappel
Counters	Kate Stuttaford Sue Wakefield	Kate Stuttaford Ann Sanders
Flowers		
Coffee Hour	Potluck	

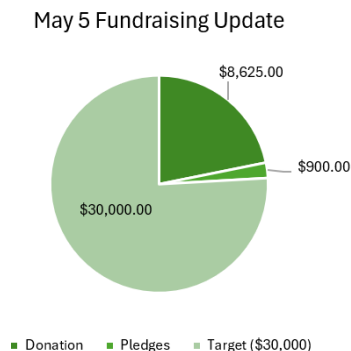
In Memory: Everyone is welcome to join in a "Quiet time with Eucharist" in celebration of the life of Muriel Burke on Wednesday May 8, 2024 between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting: Our Annual Meeting/ Vestry Meeting happens **today** after the service. Please join us for a sandwich potluck lunch, fellowship and meeting. Annual Reports will be available downstairs.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **May 19, 2024**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Greeters: We are looking to return to pre-Covid times with regularly scheduled Greeters again! If you can help with important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.

Environmental Stewardship Update: We have had great support for our fundraising in the first weeks of the campaign. This pie chart will be updated each week to show our progress towards our goal of \$30,000 by the end of August.



Donor & Pledge cards with envelopes are available in the narthex along with pictures of the plants we are hoping to put in the garden. *Thank you for your support!*

Birdwatching in the Arboretum—Saturday May 11: This event is a fundraiser in support of ECM. We will meet in the Arboretum parking lot at 8:30 am, and from there retired Zoology Professor Sandy Middleton will guide us on a two-hour birdwatching walk. We expect to see many species of birds, including migratory ones. Sign up to secure your spot: only 3 spaces remain, at \$20 each. Call Lucy Reid at 416-890-1332, or email her at lreid08@gmail.com.

Silvercreek Community Market: We are in particular need of **RICE, red lentils, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce** and **cooking oil (1L size)**. Thank you.

May 6—10, 2024—Please note that there will be workers in the building next week to carry out mold abatement in the storage room under the stairs. Some areas will not be accessible downstairs. Please watch for and obey all posted signs. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: May 6 – 12

Wednesday 8	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to office
	2:00 p.m.	POM Project cancelled due to mold abatement
	7:00 p.m.	Quiet time with Eucharist Nave
Thursday 9	1:00 –4:00 p.m.	Chi Rho Fellowship Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir practice Nave
Friday 10	6:00–10:00 p.m.	Rental Rose Head Hall
Sunday 12	8:30 a.m.	Easter 7 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Easter 7 Holy Communion—Nave

Organist

Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann
Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.