



**St. Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church**  
 Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds

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**Introduction & Welcome**

**203 Opening Hymn** ..... *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
 our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
 who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
 suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
 unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
 who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
 sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
 our salvation have procured, Alleluia!  
 now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!  
 where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

## Service of Light

*Celebrant* Jesus is the light of the world.

**PEOPLE A light no darkness can extinguish.**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, on this holy day,  
when our Lord Jesus Christ  
passed from death to life,  
the Church invites all God's beloveds  
throughout the world  
to come together to celebrate  
the Passover of the Lord.  
We are confident that we shall share  
his victory over death  
and live with him for ever in God.

*The celebrant then prepares the Paschal Candle saying,*

*Celebrant* Christ yesterday and today,  
the beginning and the end,  
Alpha and Omega.  
All time belongs to him and all the ages.  
To him be glory and power  
through every age for ever.

**ALL Amen.**

*Then the celebrant inserts five grains of incense  
into the candle, saying,*

*Celebrant* By his holy and glorious wounds  
may Christ our Lord guard us and keep us.

**ALL Amen.**

*The celebrant lights the candle saying:*

*Celebrant* May the light of Christ, rising in glory,  
dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

*We chant the following acclamation three times:*

*Deacon* The light of Christ.

**PEOPLE Thanks be to God.**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**PEOPLE The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* May his grace and peace be with you.

**PEOPLE May he fill our hearts with joy.**

## Glory to God

*Celebrant* Glory to God in the highest,

**ALL and peace to God's 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 sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated on 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.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Lord of life and power,

**ALL through the mighty resurrection of your Son,  
you have overcome the old order of sin and death  
and have made all things new in him.  
May we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
reign with him in glory,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **✠ The Proclamation of the Word ✠**

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:1-6..... Heather Rankin

At that time, says the Lord,

I will be the God of all the families of Israel,  
and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword  
found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,  
the Lord appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,  
and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers.  
Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;  
the planters shall plant,  
and shall enjoy the fruit.  
For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:  
'Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to the Lord our God.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 118:14-24** *All read together*

- <sup>14</sup> **The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.**
- <sup>15</sup> **There is a sound of exultation and victory  
in the tents of the righteous:**
- <sup>16</sup> **"The mighty hand of the Lord has triumphed!  
the mighty hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the mighty hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**
- <sup>17</sup> **I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.**
- <sup>18</sup> **The Lord has punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.**
- <sup>19</sup> **Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**
- <sup>20</sup> **"This is the gate of the Lord;  
those who are righteous may enter."**
- <sup>21</sup> **I will give thanks to the Lord who answered me  
and has become my salvation.**
- <sup>22</sup> **The same stone which the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.**
- <sup>23</sup> **This is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes.**
- <sup>24</sup> **On this day the Lord has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**
- Glory to God, Source of all being,  
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**Second Reading:** Acts 10:34-43 ..... Heather Rankin

Then Peter began to speak to them: ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

**232 Gradual Hymn** ..... *Jesus is Risen from the Grave*



1 Je - sus is ris - en from the grave, Je - sus is ris - en  
 2 Je - sus was seen by Ma - ry, Je - sus was seen by  
 3 Pe - ter will soon be smil - ing, Pe - ter will soon be  
 4 Thom - as will stop his doubt - ing, Thom - as will stop his



from the grave, Je - sus is ris - en from the grave,  
 Ma - ry, Je - sus was seen by Ma - ry,  
 smil - ing, Pe - ter will soon be smil - ing,  
 doubt - ing, Thom - as will stop his doubt - ing,



al - le - lu - ia.

5 Jesus will meet his people...  
 6 Jesus is here in bread and wine...  
 7 Jesus will live forever...

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**The Gospel**      John 20:1-18

*Deacon*    May God be with you

**PEOPLE**    **And also with you**

*Deacon*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**PEOPLE**    **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.’ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed.

*Deacon*    The Gospel of Christ

**PEOPLE**    **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon**..... Fr. Ayoob Adwar

**An Affirmation of Faith**

*Celebrant*    Let us affirm our resurrection faith

**ALL**    **We believe in the power of Christ  
to overcome all deaths,  
deaths in us and death in the world.  
We believe in life which rises in freedom  
and carries us in joy towards grace  
beyond our imagining,  
calling our spirits to soar in freedom  
with wings of hope  
borne high in the wonder of Easter Day.  
The gift of life will never be taken from us.  
The costly life of God  
will be our company for ever and for ever.  
Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

We gather today in reflection and silence,  
grateful for this time together.

This Easter Sunday speaks to us  
of empty tombs and resurrection living.

May we be made mindful of the pervasiveness of hope,  
the determination of faith, and the persistence of love.

May we remember that resurrection is not resuscitation!  
It is life transformed!

It is faith in possibilities, when others are convinced of inevitability.

It is the courage to love, when love is not returned.

It is showing compassion, when others are heaping judgment.

It is living by peace, when others are being violent.

It is working for justice, when others are working for wealth.

It is responding with gentleness, when others are reacting with rage.

May we, as resurrection people, live the life that is light and shine  
forth the blessings of love on all of creation.

*As People of the Resurrection, **Let us live in hope and love.***

We witness signs of hope amid the pain caused by the COVID-19.

We see expressions of solidarity,

initiatives to prevent the spread of the virus,

expressions of gratitude to people working in health care,

efforts to mitigate losses, signs of love,

acting with objectivity and respect.

We are challenged today to reflect

and to embrace new attitudes to life.

In our Gospel lesson we journey with Mary to the empty tomb.

The stone has been removed that keeps us in death.

We have hope. This hope gives us the serenity we need during this

time of pandemic that is full of pain, losses, grief, uncertainty and

suffering. We think of our stones that have locked us in our sorrows,

grief, or fears – those spaces where dreams once wove their hypnotic

beauty and are now shattered. But yet, those stones too are rolled

away, light seeps in and shatters darkness, fills the furthest corner

with warmth and calls us to life and love. May we be given wisdom

and inspiration to live lives with attitudes that express mercy and

love, springing from our hope in resurrection.

*As People of the Resurrection, **Let us live in hope and love.***

We pray for those in our parish community who struggle with illness,  
grief, worry or fear. Let us remember them at this time.

**Michele Beaudry, Gary & Ella Evans, Fred Hibbard**

**Phil Hopkins, Janet McConnell, Lorelei Reier**

**Sher & Morrie Sacks, Donna Walsh Wheeldon**

We also lift up parish members:

**Heather Rankin, Patrick Reid & Paula Selmayr  
Hardy & Anne Reinert, Michelle Reynolds**

You may also add the name of anyone dear to you, either silently or aloud.

*As People of the Resurrection, **Let us live in hope and love.***

On this Easter Day, we celebrate  
that the powers of despair and destruction do not have the final word;  
that new life can still break out; that love is stronger than death;  
and that nothing can stop life, hope, and love.

*As People of the Resurrection, **Let us live in hope and love.***

The dance of resurrection soars and surges through the whole creation. Nothing that exists is ever completely destroyed. A star exploding or a leaf falling: both offer new possibilities and will ‘live on’ in ways unknown to stars and leaves. We look around us and see winter giving way to spring. What seemed lifeless now abounds with life, new possibilities and delights. We too, experience new possibilities arising from our failures or disappointments or what has come to an end. We give thanks for all the influences in our lives that have helped us see beyond the present and have called us to live in hope and trust whatever endings we have experienced.

For one rolled stone cast my best laid plans to the wind.  
The tomb is empty and my heart is filled.

Let us be at peace. **Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table.  
Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

*~ Silence is kept. ~*

Most merciful God,  
**ALL 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.

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

**229 Offertory Hymn** ..... *Who Is There on This Easter Morning*



1 Who is there on this Eas - ter morn - ing runs not with John to  
2 Who has not stood where Ma - ry, griev - ing, to that first Eas - ter  
3 Who is there doubts that night is end - ed? Hear from on high the



find the grave? Nor sees how, death's do - min - ion scorn - ing,  
gar - den came, for ver - y joy but half be - liev - ing;  
trum - pets call! Christ is in tri - umph now as - cend - ed,



Je - sus is ris - en, strong to save? Who is there on this  
whose is the voice that calls her name? Who has not stood where  
ris - en and reign - ing, Lord of all! Who is there doubts that



Eas - ter morn - ing runs not with John to find the grave?  
Ma - ry, griev - ing, to that first Eas - ter gar - den came?  
night is end - ed? Hear from on high the trum - pets call!

**Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* God our strength and salvation,

**PEOPLE** receive all we offer you this day,  
and grant that we who have confessed your name,  
and received new life in baptism,  
may live in the joy of the resurrection,  
through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

**Eucharistic Prayer 3** .....BAS p. 198

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**PEOPLE And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**PEOPLE We lift them to God.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**PEOPLE It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Blessed are you gracious God...

...we sing our joyful hymn of praise  
to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Sanctus**

**ALL Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God,...

Therefore Father, according to his command,

**PEOPLE we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...

...all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
now and for ever.

**PEOPLE Amen**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**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**

*Celebrant* Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**PEOPLE** Now we are raised to new life.

*Celebrant* We were buried in your tomb.

**PEOPLE** Now we share in your resurrection.

*Celebrant* Live in us, that we may live in you.

## **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

## **Prayer After Communion**

*Celebrant* God of life,

**ALL** bring us to the glory of the resurrection  
promised in this Easter sacrament.

**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ  
the risen Lord. Amen.**

## **Family Thanksgiving & Announcements**

### **Doxology**

*Celebrant* Glory to God,

**PEOPLE** 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**

## 231 Closing Hymn.....*That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright*



1. That Eas - ter - tide with joy was bright the  
 2. He bade them see his hands, his side, where  
 3. From ev - ery weap - on death can wield thine  
 4. Je - sus, the king of gen - tle - ness, do



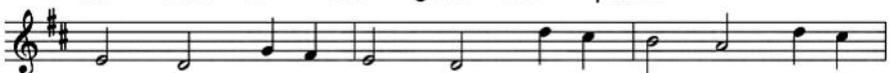
sun shone out with fair - er light,  
 yet the glo - rious would a - bide; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 own re - deemed for - ev - er shield:  
 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess,



lu - ia! when, to their long - ing eyes re - stored, the a -  
 the to - kens true which made it plain their  
 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in  
 that we may give thee all our days the



pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
 Lord in - deed was risen a - gain. Al - le -  
 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.  
 tri - bute of our grate - ful praise.



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



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

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**



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## PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

<b>Anglican Communion</b>	The Peace of Jerusalem and the People of the Land of the Holy One
<b>Diocese &amp; Partners</b>	The Deanery of Kingsway: The Rev Wilmer Toyoken, Regional Dean  Holy Trinity Mission in Bantey (twinned with St. Hilda's) Companion Diocese: Bishop Brent Alawas, & the Clergy & People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines BC Synod of the ELCIC, Bishop Gregory Mohr
<b>Local Agencies</b>	Food Banks on Sunshine Coast
<b>Local Churches</b>	Christian Life Assembly
<b>Justice Umbrella</b>	Kenya: students of Kyathani Cluster Primary Schools Indigenous communities across Canada who are highly vulnerable to COVID-19
<b>Prayer Requests</b>	Michele Beaudry: recovering from hip surgery Gary & Ella Evans: recovering from COVID-19 (Ella is sister to Annie Webb) Fred Hibbard: comfort and peace Phil Hopkins: strength & peace while healing Janet McConnell Lorelei Reier: comfort & strength while undergoing treatment Sher & Morrie Sacks: comfort & encouragement Donna Walsh Wheeldon: heart disease investigation
<b>Parish Families</b>	Heather Rankin, Patrick Reid & Paula Selmayr Hardy & Anne Reinert, Michelle Reynolds

*Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.*