



**ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Interim Moderator: Rev. Calvin Burt

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**The Third Sunday in the Great Fifty Days of Easter**

**April 14, 2024**

**Service colour: White**

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 10:30 a.m. (also on YouTube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (*stand if able*)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (830)

Call to Worship: (*standing if able*)

The bread of life opens our eyes.

**The word of life opens our ears.**

The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,  
**and by those wounds we are healed.**

Peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hymn: 247 "Christ the Lord is risen today"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession (unison) **Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness.**

**We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us.**

**We beg your mercy for our fallen world.**

**We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus.**

**Be our solace in this life and always.**

**We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete.**

**Forgive us and lead us. Amen.**

**Song: 561 "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us."**

Declaration of forgiveness followed by The Lord's Prayer

A sharing of the Peace of Christ followed by *Hallelujah* (Hymn 294)

Welcome and Announcements

Learning for all ages: {children gather at Chancel stairs} "On The Way To Emmaus", from READ WONDER LISTEN by Laura Alary

Hymn: 655 "Give me oil in my lamp" (*all seated*)

Prayer of Illumination

Lessons: Psalm 4(responsively); 1 John 3:1-7 (p.212); Luke 24: 36-48(p. 78)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Hymn: 706 "Come, let us sing"

Sermon

Announcing the Offering of our gifts followed by The Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (*stand if able*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and for others

Hymn: 262 "Come to us, beloved Stranger"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go now in peace" (*all seated*) (hymn book – inside back cover)

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Postlude

**Welcoming Worshippers:** Luke Campbell

**Elevator Guide:** Jim Kennedy

**Organist:** Dr. Ken Cameron

**Placing the Bible:** Bill Langley

**Pianist:** Cheryl Weeks

**Reader:** Darlene Cossaboom

**Audio:** Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

Today, we are pleased to welcome once again the Rev. Calvin Burt, our Interim Moderator. Calvin will be in the HRM area on most Tuesdays and would be pleased to hear from anyone with pastoral needs. He can be reached by cell or text at 1-902-715-4006 or [calvinburt@bellaliant.net](mailto:calvinburt@bellaliant.net). If there are other needs, please get in touch with Cheryl Weeks, Session Clerk, at 902-435-4112 or [cweeks@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:cweeks@ns.sympatico.ca) or cell 902-209-0054

**This week at St. Andrew's**

**Tues:** 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Thurs:** 1:00 p.m. Ladies' Guild

**Sun:** 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery

One of our retired elders, Joyce Simard, died at age 90, on Saturday, April 13 in the Admiral Nursing Home after a long period of ill health. Joyce was a member of the choir for several years. There will be no funeral. Condolences can be sent to her son Peter in Florida at [Simardpa@eckerd.edu](mailto:Simardpa@eckerd.edu)

**A Land Acknowledgement:** We acknowledge that we are in the Mik'kma'ki-the unceded territory and the ancestral homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation.

### **Hymn 247**

1. 'Christ the Lord is risen today, all creation join to say.  
Raise your joys and triumphs high; sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply.  
Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won:  
lo! our sun's eclipse is o'er; lo! he sets in blood no more.
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.  
Death in vain forbids him rise; Christ hath opened paradise.  
Lives again our glorious King: where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Once he died our souls to save; where thy victory, O grave?
3. Soar we now where Christ hath led, following our exalted Head;  
made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.  
Hail! the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to thee by both be given;  
every knee to thee shall bow, risen Christ triumphant now.

### **Hymn 655**

1. Give me oil in my lamp; keep me burning;  
give me oil in my lamp, I pray.  
Give me oil in my lamp; keep me burning;  
keep me burning till the break of day.

#### **Refrain:**

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the Servant King;  
sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna, let us sing!

2. Give me joy in my heart; keep me praising;  
give me joy in my heart, I pray.  
Give me joy in my heart; keep me praising;  
keep me praising till the break of day. [Refrain]
3. Give me peace in my heart; keep me loving;  
give me peace in my heart, I pray.  
Give me peace in my heart; keep me loving;  
keep me loving till the break of day. [Refrain]
4. Give me love in my heart; keep me serving;  
give me love in my heart, I pray.  
Give me love in my heart; keep me serving;  
keep me serving till the break of day. [Refrain]

### **Hymn 706**

- I. Come, let us sing of a wonderful love, tender and true, tender and true;  
out of the heart of the Father above,  
streaming to me and to you: wonderful love, wonderful love  
dwells in the heart of the Father above.
2. Jesus the Saviour this gospel to tell joyfully came, joyfully came,  
came with the helpless and hopeless to dwell, sharing their sorrow and  
shame: seeking the lost, seeking the lost,  
saving, redeeming at measureless cost.
3. Jesus is seeking the wanderers yet; why do they roam? why do they  
roam? Love only waits to forgive and forget;  
home, weary wanderers, home: wonderful love, wonderful love  
dwells in the heart of the Father above.
4. Come to my heart, O thou wonderful love; come and abide, come and  
abide, lifting my life till it rises above envy and falsehood and pride:  
seeking to be, seeking to be  
lowly and humble, a learner of thee.

### **Hymn 262**

1. Come to us, beloved Stranger, as you came that Easter day.  
Walk with us to our Emmaus, for we need you still today.  
Come to us when we are broken, when our dearest hopes are lost,  
speak to us the prophets' message you fulfilled upon the cross.
2. Stay with us and give us blessing, that our hopes again may rise.  
Offer us your broken body; open our unseeing eyes.  
Come to us, God's love embodied; touch our hearts with burning flame.  
Risen Christ, once dead, now living, come to us through joy, through pain.
3. We would never fail to see you as you walk with us each day.  
As a friend and not a stranger you would join us on our way.  
Help us trust that through your mercy we can doubt and fear transcend,  
and to others be a blessing. Keep us faithful till life's end!  
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