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*Red Fox, Seer Green, England
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Ascension Sunday: Jerusalem Sunday May 29th, 2022

8:00 am—Said Eucharist

9:30 am—Sung Eucharist

The Ven. Christopher Dunn

The Rev. Chung Yan Lam

The Rev. Deacon Jarrett Carty

Music: Edith Troup

Children and Youth: Julie Newlands

Please Note: The 9:30 service is being broadcast on Zoom and recorded; if you attend in-person you may appear on camera and in the recording.

Officiant: Dear friends, we gather on the ancestral territory of the Anishnaabeg Algonquin people, the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet.

All: May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.

Opening Hymn: **Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise #247**

**Hail the day that sees him rise, alleluia!
to his throne above the skies; alleluia!
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, alleluia!
enters now the highest heaven! Alleluia!**

**There for him high triumph waits; alleluia!
lift your heads, eternal gates; alleluia!
he hath conquered death and sin; alleluia!
take the King of Glory in. Alleluia!**

**Highest heaven its Lord receives, alleluia!
yet he loves the earth he leaves; alleluia!
though returning to his throne, alleluia!
still he calls the world his own. Alleluia!**

**See! He lifts his hands above, alleluia!
See! He shows the prints of love; alleluia!
Hark! His gracious lips bestow alleluia!
blessings on his church below. Alleluia!**

**Still for us he intercedes; alleluia!
his prevailing death he pleads, alleluia!
near himself prepares our place, alleluia!
he the first-fruits of our race. Alleluia!**

**Lord, though parted from our sight, alleluia!
far above the starry height, alleluia!**

**grant our hearts may thither rise, alleluia!
seeking thee above the skies. Alleluia!**

Children's Talk

(Please send the children to the front during the last verse of the Opening Hymn. The Children are invited to join the Church School following the talk.)

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Officiant: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Officiant: Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord;

All: I am with you always, to the close of the age.

Officiant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, 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
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Officiant: God unheld by word or wall:

**All: lift us from dullness and cynical contempt;
make us ready for your Spirit of transforming
power; and turn our hearts to the mending of
the world, through Jesus Christ, the name
above all names. Amen.**

The First Reading is from Acts (1:1-11)

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he

ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93: **Robed in Majesty**

tune #207

**Robed in majesty, he reigns,
sovereign from eternity;
praise the Lord, the God of strength,
robed in awesome majesty.**

**Firm and sure the world will stand:
here the Maker's power is shown—
yet, pre-dating even time,
firmer, surer stands his throne.**

**Surging seas and pounding waves:
mightier is the Lord than these;
mightier than the breaker's roar,
mightier than those surging seas.
Holiness adorns his house;
age on age will hear his law;**

**praise the Lord, whose reign upholds
holiness for evermore.**

The Second Reading is from Ephesians (1:15-23)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: O Christ, When You Ascended

(Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette; Tune: CP #278)

**O Christ, when you ascended,
you took your rightful throne;
your time on earth had ended—
yet we weren't left alone.
You reign o'er earth and heaven;
your Spirit guides our way.
Your prayers uphold your people;
you lead your church each day.**

**We look at earthly rulers
and see what they command:
we note their years of power,
the borders of their land.
Yet, Lord, you are not bounded
by things like time and space;
your reign is never-ending,
you rule in every place.**

**We're tempted, Lord, to leave you
in stories nicely told;
sometimes we don't believe you
and say your ways are old.
Sometimes we feel so lonely
and live in doubt and fear—
but your ascension means, Lord,
you're present with us here.**

**It's often quite a challenge
to follow in your Way;
we're easily distracted!
It's hard, Lord, to obey.
Sometimes we give you Sundays—
an hour, maybe two—
but your ascension means, Lord,
all life belongs to you.**

**One day, O Lord, we'll know you,
as we are fully known;
one day this world of sinners
will bow before your throne.
One day, God's whole creation
will sing and praise your name;
on earth as now in heaven,
we'll celebrate your reign.**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (24:44-53)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Officiant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the People

One: On this Sunday of the Ascension, we do not raise our eyes to heaven to seek you there, O God, but rather we stay focussed here on the earth, which you created and have entrusted to our care. We have only to look around us to see how the people, creatures, and elements of our world are in need of healing. We gratefully acknowledge that your work is already being done, and we trust that the transforming power of your Spirit will aid us in continuing your work, and in spreading the hope to which you have called us. O God, we pray,

All: keep us grounded in your Spirit.

One: We give thanks for the community of faith throughout the world, in all its variations, and in places hidden from our view. We give thanks and pray for all those who lead, instruct, guide, question, and encourage us to do the same. We pray for those who do not profess a particular faith, but whose belief system and values propel them to be your unrelenting servants among all of God's people. We pray for those who are seeking. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Sidney, our Interim Indigenous Bishop; Shane, our Bishop; Chris, Chung Yan, and Jarrett, our clergy; and for all the laity. We pray for Brian, pastor of First United. And on this Jerusalem Sunday, we pray especially for our partnership in the diocese of Jerusalem. We pray for wide-open doors and hearts, that we might constantly seek ways to work

together with people from all backgrounds, to do your will. O God, we pray,

All: keep us grounded in your Spirit.

One: There are always people in need of all kinds. Let us pray for those who have requested our prayers:

All: Betty-Joan (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Randy** (Brown); **Charlie** (Cuffari); **Barbara** (Hill); **Helen** (Miller); **Laura** (DesClouds); **Lois** (Frazier-Nagel); **Sue** (Wise); **Sarah** (Vedell); **Aneesa** (Yonan); **Shari** (Rathwell); **Viola** (Martin); **Anji** (Carter); **Valerie** (Corbin); **Brian** (Taylor); **Peter** (Cormier); **Peter** (Frazier); **Michael** (Frazier); **Alana** (Andrews); **Kevin** (Andrews); **Etienne** (Hainzelin); **Thelma** (Mills)

One: and for those whom we name silently or aloud. . . . Give them strength and sustain them. Give us the fortitude and will to be with them in their times of need. O God, we pray,

All: keep us grounded in your Spirit.

One: We celebrate and pray for those who have died, especially Edie Phillips and those we name silently or aloud . . . , and the many worldwide, unknown to us. Comfort those who mourn. O God, we pray,

All: keep us grounded in your Spirit.

One: Ascended Lord, we trust that you hear our thanksgiving and prayers, answering with all that we need.

All: Amen

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

When exchanging the Peace share a sign of peace with others around you by other means such as bowing or waving.

**Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
Come, almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee,
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

Commissioning of Servers

Officiant: Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose today is to recognize and affirm the ministry of our Servers for which these persons have offered themselves. Is it your will that they should fulfill this ministry?

All: It is.

Officiant: Each of you have been called to this ministry. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with care, to the honour of God and the benefit of the Church?

Servers: **We will.**

Officiant: Will you the members of this congregation uphold them in this service?

All: We will.

Officiant: Blessed are you, gracious God, our creator and redeemer. In every age you call people to ministry in your name. May the work of these your servants so build up your Church, that we may faithfully serve you and show your love in all the world. Blessed are you, O God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(The Officiant vests and greets each server.)

Officiant: Eternal God,

All: our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Officiant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Officiant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Officiant: Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks

through Huldah and Micah, through Isaiah and Jeremiah and all the prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe, we proclaim your glory singing:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

#719 Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Officiant: Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Officiant: Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this

bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

All: Amen.

Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we sing,

All: 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 for ever. Amen.

Officiant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Officiant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Officiant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Interlude

*During Communion, please proceed forward in your family group to the altar but leave a social distance between yourself and the person ahead of you. A sidesperson will direct you when to come forward to receive the host. If you are unable to receive the wheat wafer, a rice wafer is available. While it is fully sufficient to receive in one kind, just the bread, the Common Cup is available for those who wish to receive. **Please Note: Intinction is not allowed.***

Officiant: Eternal Giver of love and power,
All: your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: Go forth with the spirit of wisdom and hope,
All: with our eyes enlightened and our minds aroused by the power of Christ.

Officiant: And the blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: **Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken #388**

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode.
On the rock of ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

See! The streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age?**

Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering—
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus they march, the pillar leading,
light by night and shade by day;
daily on the manna feeding
which God gives them when they pray.

Saviour, if of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the world's best pleasure,
all its boasted pomp or show:
solid joys and lasting treasure
none but Zion's children know.

DM: Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia**

Musical Postlude

***Please join us following the 9:30 am service for
refreshments in the Courtyard.***

Readings for Next Sunday, June 5th, 2022

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104;
Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today at 8:00:

Greeter: Ken McMillan
Reader: Sylvia Shortliffe
Server: John Merritt

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today at 9:30:

Greeters: Linda Phillips and Peter Newlands
Readers: Chris Kirch and Sally Lees
Intercessor: Marcie Taylor
Diac. Min.: Chris Kirch
Servers: Jade, Andrew, and Joseph

Please pray this week for

- those ministering and worshipping in
 - the Area Parish of the St. Lawrence; and
 - the Area Parish of South Carleton;
- Diocesan staff and senior staff at Ascension House;
- the Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen and its groups and members;
- those in our pastoral care: Pam Cross, Thelma Mills, and Audrey McIntosh; and
- the GranAid Program and its support of Fikelala in the Diocese of Cape Town, South Africa.

Credits:

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Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

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The Most Rev. Hosam Naoum, 15th Anglican and 5th Palestinian Bishop of the Diocese of Jerusalem.
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Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro
Seventh Sunday of Easter May 29th, 2022

This Week

Today	9:30 am	Server Commissioning	Church
	10:45 am	Refreshments	Courtyard
	11:15 am	"Meet Chung Yan"	Chapel
Monday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm		Food Bank
Wednesday	9:30 am to 2:30 pm		New-to-You Shop
	9:30 am	Quilters	Rm 7/8
	10:30 am	Eucharist	Church
	5:00 pm	Youth dinner	Steady Hall
	7:00 pm	Bible on Tap	Zoom
Thursday	1:00 pm	Choir Practice	Church
	3:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
Saturday	9:30 am to 2:30 pm		New-to-You Shop

Today

Altar Server Commissioning **Today, during the 9:30 service**

During Church School, the new servers will have their last training class and then they will come in to the church and be commissioned as servers.

"Meet Chung Yan"

Today, at 11:15 am, in the Chapel

For the first time since the beginning of the pandemic, we will be holding an in-person time in the Chapel! Today, after you have refreshments in the Courtyard, join Chung Yan in the Chapel to get to know and welcome our new Associate Incumbent.

Upcoming Events

Reflections on Resurrection in Scripture, Poetry, and Art **Thursday, June 2nd, at 7:00 pm, Zoom**

Join us for the last of the sessions led by Linda Privitera and Joe O'Shields. Using the post-resurrection appearances in the

gospels we will consider the text, a poem, and an art piece for our discussion. Use the following Zoom coordinates to join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89081353119>.

Youth Dinner

Wednesday, June 1st, 5:00 pm, in Steacy Hall

After 26 months, we are finally able to start our monthly dinners for all our Smaller Saints, who will be starting Grade 5 in September or who are older. We plan to meet (and eat), on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning June 1st.

Come to Steacy Hall from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, join us for a spaghetti dinner, and bring your favourite board game. You can play, help cook, or just visit. Masks will be worn except when eating, and we will give each other space while eating. We can discuss activities you would like to participate in around our parish and in our community. Please let us know if you are planning to attend, so we can be sure to buy enough groceries (by **May 30th**, if possible). Also, let us know about any dietary restrictions (vegetarian, gluten-free, lactose-free, etc.).

Bible on Tap

Wednesday, June 1st, 7:00 pm, on Zoom

Join Chris for a discussion of the readings for next Sunday. Let Chris know if you are interested, and you'll receive the Reading Sheet and the Zoom link.

Pentecost: Wear red and bring red flowers

Sunday, June 5th, during the 8:00 and 9:30 am services

Next Sunday is Pentecost, so please wear your best red, and please bring red geraniums, if you can find them, or any red flowers that can then be planted in our garden. **Note: We only have room for one red plant per family.**

Jazz Vespers

Sunday, June 5th, at 4:30 pm, in the Church

Join us next Sunday, when our musician will be Peter Woods and the kindness of jazz. **Note: This will be the last Jazz Vespers of the season.**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Worship

Sunday, June 12th, at 4:00 pm, in the Church and Hall

The Christian Council of the Capital Area invites you to join us for an in-person gathering to celebrate the visible unity within our Christian communities to be able to pray together, especially with a liturgy prepared by the Christian Council of the Middle East.

The liturgy was entrusted to the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut, Lebanon and they chose the theme, “We have seen his star in the East and have come to pay homage to him” (Mt 2:2). More than ever, in these difficult times, we need a light that shines in the darkness and that light, Christians proclaim, has been manifested in Jesus Christ. **Please join us for a light reception after the prayer service for fellowship and conversations.**

Butterflies, Bees, and Blossoms Cards for sale



We still have some cards left over from the Spring sale. There are eight different photos to choose from (you can guess from the title what the subjects are 🤔). We'll have them at the back of the church, or you can contact Helen in the office if you would like to purchase some.

Spring

Parish Toiletries Drive



What can our parish do to help?

Parishioners are invited to participate in the **Anglican Day Programs Spring Toiletries Drive Today and on Sunday, June 5th**. The Well, St. Luke's Table, and Centre 454 day programs continue to respond to the needs of those living on the streets or in precarious inner city housing.

There is an urgent need for personal care items. A bin has been set up (at the back of the church) to receive the items. They especially need the following:

- socks,
- men and women's underwear,
- deodorant,
- toothbrush/toothpaste,
- razors,
- toilet paper.

Please note that COVID protocols and personal hygiene considerations mean only unused, unopened items can be accepted. Thank you in advance for supporting this campaign to help support the most vulnerable people in our community.

If you are unable to drop off a donation, but wish to support the campaign, please consider donating online at <http://the-well.ca/ways-to-give>.