

# The Book of Alternative Services



25 April 2021

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am



St. George's Cathedral, Kingston

Setting: *Addington Service, Shephard*

Prelude: *A Meditation on "Brother James' Air, Harold Darke*

## Gathering Hymn

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
in a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,  
and drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
and calms the troubled breast;  
'tis manna to the hungry soul,  
and to the weary rest.

3 Dear name! the rock on which I build,  
my shield and hiding-place,  
my never-failing treasury filled  
with boundless stores of grace.

4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
my Prophet, Priest, and King,  
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
accept the praise I bring.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,  
and cold my warmest thought;  
but when I see thee as thou art,  
I'll praise thee as I ought.

6 Till then I would thy love proclaim  
with every fleeting breath;  
and may the music of thy name  
refresh my soul in death.

*St Peter*

Alexander R. Reinagle 1799-1877

John Newton 1725-1807

## The Gathering of the Community

*All stand. The presider greets the community.*

*Presider* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

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

*People* **May he fill our hearts with joy!**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

*Standing at the font, the presider continues,*

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

## **Prayer Over the Water and Blessing**

*Water may be poured into the font while the presider gives thanks, saying,*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Kyrie Eleison**

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

## **The Collect of the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Shepherd of all, by laying down your life for your flock you reveal your love for all. Lead us from the place of death to the place of abundant life, so that, guided by your care for us, we may rightly offer our lives in love for you and our neighbour. **Amen**

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

**A reading from the Book of Acts 4:5-12** (Ruth Oliver)

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may be kept. Then shall follow a psalm as appointed.*

## **Psalm 23**

THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

## **A Reading from the First Letter of John 3:16-24**

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us – and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home rejoicing brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

*Dominus Regit me*  
J. B. Dykes 1823-76

H. W. Baker 1821-77

*All stand for the Gospel.*

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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

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

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

*John 10:11-18*

*People* The Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Loving God's Word** – The Rev. Canon Barbara Stewart

**Sermon** – The Most Reverend Anne Germond

## **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*The presider may address the people in these or similar words.*

Dear friends,  
through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism,  
so that we may rise with him to a new life. Let us renew the promises we  
made in baptism, when we rejected Satan and all his works,  
and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

*Presider* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to  
Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Presider* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **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.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **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.**

*Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the  
breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as  
yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*The presider concludes the Renewal of Baptismal Vows with the following:*

God the creator, the rock of our salvation,  
has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

May he keep us faithful to our calling, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People (Ruth Oliver)**

### **The Peace**

*All stand, and the presider addresses the people.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### **The Motet**

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want,  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil,

For you are with me, You will comfort me

Surely goodness and mercy,

shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Howard Goodall *b.* 1958

Psalm 23

*The members of the community, ministers and people, may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Presider* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

*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.**

## **Blessing**

*Presider*

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us. And so make haste to love, and be swift to be kind; And may the God who travels with us, the God of pilgrimage, the God of Hope, bless, care and keep you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always.

*People*

**Amen**

## **Dismissal**

*The presider may bless the people. The deacon, or other leader, dismisses the people, saying in these or similar words,*

Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## **Closing Hymn**

We have a gospel to proclaim  
Good news for men in all the earth;  
The gospel of a Saviour's name:  
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

2. Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,  
Not in a royal house or hall  
But in a stable dark and dim:  
The Word made flesh, a light for all.

3. Tell of His death at Calvary,  
Hated by those He came to save;  
In lonely suffering on the cross  
For all He loved, His life He gave.

4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn:  
Empty the tomb, for He was free.  
He broke the power of death and hell  
That we might share His victory.

5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand,  
By all creation glorified;  
He sends His Spirit on His Church  
To live for Him, the Lamb who died.

6. Now we rejoice to name Him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel message we proclaim:  
We sing His glory, tell His worth.

*Fulda*

*Sacred Melodies* 1815

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Postlude: *Trumpet Tune in D Major*, David N. Johnson – played by Matt Fraser

**Preacher:** The Most Reverend Anne Germond

**Interim Dean:** The Ven. David Selzer

**Interim Music Director:** Brad Barbeau

**Prayer List:** The Very Rev Sharon Murdoch, The Rev Don Goodwin, John Bate, Dee Padfield, Kathy and Jim Anderson, Sandy, Jason, Allie and Dev Kauenhofen, Paul Robertson, Richard Watson-Laird, Danielle Clarke, Sean Lovett, Ralph Brose, Diana Davis Duerkop, Gill Cleghorn, Carol MacDonnell, Sue Kilpatrick, Elspeth Stevenson, Rosalind Walton, The Most Reverend Andrew Hutchison, the family of Bishop Michael Bedford-Jones.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for our Cathedral Counters Betty Andrews and Maxine Clarke. On our parish list: Peter Hern, Betty Higglett, Heather Hill, Geoffrey Hinch, Brian Hinchey, and their families.

**Remembering Bishop Michael Bedford-Jones**

**Former Dean of St. George's (1991-1993)**

I always felt that Michael Bedford-Jones was a true gift from God for us at St. George's. He was equally comfortable with all age groups, children, teenagers, young couples, middle aged folks and, of course, the elderly. When you were talking to him, whether it was about something serious or something fun, he was equally engaged. He had an excellent sense of humour, and he also had a very kind approach to understanding things that were serious, important, and needed to be dealt with. He was always kind, and seemed to be able to understand and cope with anything that came up. His memory for names and individual strengths was amazing, and everyone at the Cathedral felt valued by him. When he left us to go on to be a Bishop we all knew that he would be an outstanding example to others, and would make everyone he interacted with feel highly valued. We send our most sincere sympathy to his family and to all those with whom he interacted in his role as a man of God. He will never be forgotten.

*Tanis Fairley*

**Readings for Sunday, May 2 – Easter 5**  
Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:24-30; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

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