

CAROLS FOR EASTER

A Celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020

St. Paul's Cathedral, Kamloops BC

The processional party enters as Dean Ken sings:

This joyful Eastertide,
away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
has sprung to life this morrow:

Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst His three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain;
but now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;
but now has Christ arisen!

Death's flood has lost its chill
since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver: [Refrain]

My flesh in hope shall rest
and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west
shall wake the dead in number: [Refrain]

A Bidding for Easter is led by Bishop Barbara

My sisters and brothers,
as we celebrate Christ's rising from the dead,
let us call the whole universe to share our joy:
heaven, earth, men, women, children,
mountains, prairies, oceans, rivers,
birds and beasts, wild and tame,
everything that moves, stands, grows, or sits still.

Out of darkness has come light,
out of bitter, sweet; out of evil, good.

For evil scatters, shame runs away,
innocence blooms once more,
we sing in our chains,
we embrace in our fear,
we kneel in deep quietude,
we thrill in stillness.

As we hear the story of our salvation, speech fails.

In silence and in music
let us bring before the Source of life and light
our awe and wonder,
our joy and laughter,
our thanks and praise,
our everlasting adoration.

203 **Jesus Christ Is Risen Today**

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

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

3 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!

Bishop Barbara continues

Alleluia, Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia**

Good friends, we gather today virtually, undeterred by the health constraints required for the present time, to praise God who raised his only Son, Jesus from the dead. Through His

resurrection we find our purpose and meaning and can proclaim our hope. Love has conquered hate; light has overcome the darkness; hope has pushed aside fear.

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Our scriptures are drawn from the Eucharistic Lectionary of the day. Our music, most familiar to us all, amplifies our praise. All texts are linked to our Facebook page and parish website. Please participate as you are able. And join us in prayer as we together celebrate this most special day in our Church calendar.

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VU 166 **Joy Comes With The Dawn**

Joy comes with the dawn;
Joy comes with the morning sun,
Joy springs from the tomb and scatters the night with her song,
Joy comes with the dawn.

Weeping may come;
Weeping may come in the night, when dark shadows cloud our sight.

Sorrow will turn,
Sorrow will turn into song, and God's laughter makes us strong.

We will rejoice, we will rejoice, and give praise,
to the One who brings us grace.

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A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

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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 merrymakers. 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." 31:1-6

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205 The Day Of Resurrection

1 The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful!
Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph,
and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

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

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the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. 10:34-43

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224 **Awake Arise, Lift Up Your Voice**

1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice,
and on his praises dwell.

2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise
the saints their Saviour greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes
but by his hands and feet:

3 those hands of liberal love indeed
in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed
for millions and for me.

4 His enemies had sealed the stone
as Pilate gave them leave,
lest dead and friendless and alone
he should their skill deceive.

5 O Dead arise! O Friendless stand
by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command
your host from heaven restored!

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW Melissa Green
Alleluia, Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia**

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you

are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." 28:1-10

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210 **Yours Be The Glory**

1 Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory over death you've won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded graveclothes, where your body lay.

Refrain: Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory over death you've won.

2 See, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord is living, death has lost its sting. [Refrain]

3 No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without you: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors through your deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to your home above. [Refrain]

A Different Kind Of Joy This Year – Bishop Barbara

Easter Litany, led by the Dean

(In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, "**Hear us, Lord of glory!**")

That we may be filled with the joy of Christ's holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That Christians who are persecuted and oppressed may find fresh strength in the Easter Gospel, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That we may find grace to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That we may discover new and just ways of sharing the goods of the earth with those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

In our Territory prayers we remember: The people of St. Michael's, Merritt, The Rev Canon Isabel Healy Morrow, her husband Dwight: The Rev. Craig Fairley (Deacon) and his wife Carmen, and their families.

We pray for new vocations in leadership in the church; we pray for Bishop Elect Lincoln McKeon, and we uphold Bishop Barbara during her time of transition.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer – The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East The Most Revd Suheil Dawani - Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East & Archbishop in Jerusalem.

Our sister Diocese of Montreal – St. Mark's & St. Peter's, St-Laurent - The Rev. Chris Barrigar, giving thanks for their newly merged community and the continued life and witness of their parish.

In the St. Paul's Cathedral Prayer Cycle – we pray for Veve Barker, Vern & Jo Barrett, Miriam & Barry Baskin, Fay Walton, Lynn Watrich, Lorraine Weaver and their families.

We pray for all Lay Ministers of Word and Sacrament.

Let us pray to the Lord, **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

In our Cathedral parish: We acknowledge the Prayer Bowl and our ongoing ministry of prayer through which many persons have been prayed for by our ministry team in recent weeks . . .

We pray at this time for the health and well-being of our community, country, and world, as we are in unprecedented times, times filled with worry and uncertainty. We entrust to your tender care O healing Christ all those that are affected by the corona virus through illness, isolation or anxiety. We name especially at this time all front-line workers, including medical personnel and others performing essential services. We

commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to your mercy and protection. May we always know that we are never alone, let us pray to the Lord, **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

We remember especially today all those assuming new or transformed duties in and through St. Pauls: Remembering all staff and clergy, all lay leaders including wardens and committees; remembering all those making special effort at this time to create and maintain channels of support and encouragement; remembering all those who pray for us and for each other; let us pray to the Lord, **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That God will send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon us, that we may bear faithful witness to Christ's resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Silence may be kept.

Bishop Barbara continues

Lord of life and power,
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.**

With joy in our hearts for the victory of Christ, let us complete our prayer to the God of our salvation as we pray in the language of our choosing:

**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.**

Announcements, The Dean

Episcopal Blessing and expression of gratitude

We conclude, with distant dancing!

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth:
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

DANCE, THEN, WHEREVER YOU MAY BE,
I AM THE LORD OF THE DANCE, SAID HE,
AND I'LL LEAD YOU ALL, WHEREVER YOU MAY BE,
AND I'LL LEAD YOU ALL IN THE DANCE, SAID HE.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came with me and the dance went on: DANCE

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
And they left me there on a cross to die: DANCE

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the dance, and I still go on: DANCE

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:
I am the Lord of the dance, said he.