

# SUNDAY MORNING ONLINE WORSHIP

May 10, 2020 at 10 a.m.

The Fifth Sunday in Easter Season  
St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Kamloops BC

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*Gail Ovington is at the organ today; Ron Ste Marie leads the singing*

*Organ prelude as folks gather online*

Welcome

Melissa Green

God of my life, look gently down. In this time and place, this service originates from the ancestral and unceded lands of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc.

**From many places and peoples we come together in prayer.**

In this time and place, we meet in the presence of the living God.

**The living God who creates us and all that is.**

In this time and place, the risen Christ stands in our midst.

**The risen Christ who accompanies us and all people.**

In this time and place, together, one people of God.

**In the name of God, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Hymn CP 517

O God, your constant care and love  
are shed upon us from above,  
throughout our lives in every stage,  
from infancy to later age.

We thank you, Lord, for dreams of youth,  
for wisdom leading on to truth,  
for memories gathered through the years,  
and faith that grows from joy to tears.

All time is yours, O Lord, to give;  
may we, in all the years we live,  
find every day of life is new,  
a celebration, Lord, with you.

**Let not the passing of the years  
rob us of joy, nor cause us fears,  
and give us faith, O Lord, that we  
may live with you, eternally.**

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### Collect

Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.  
Give us grace to love one another  
and walk in the way of his commandments,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS Ron Ste Marie

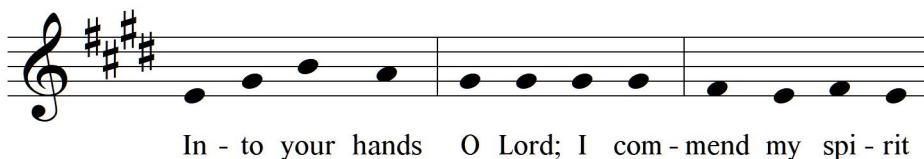
Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died. 7:55-60

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

**Thanks be to God**

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

Dean Ken leads



In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;  
deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me. R

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold;  
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me. R

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,  
for you are my tower of strength.  
Into your hands I commend my spirit,  
for you have redeemed me,  
O Lord, O God of truth. R

"My times are in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.  
Make your face to shine upon your servant,  
and in your loving kindness save me." R

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER

Melissa Green

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 2:2-10

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

**Thanks be to God**

HYMN CP 569

**Come, my way, my truth, my life:  
Such a way as gives us breath;  
Such a truth as ends all strife,  
Such a life as killeth death.**

**Come, my light, my feast, my strength:  
Such a light as shows a feast,  
Such a feast as mends in length,  
Such a strength as makes his guest.**

**Come, my joy, my love, my heart:  
Such a joy as none can move,  
Such a love as none can part,  
Such a heart as joys in love**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN**  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ** **Dean Ken**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it." 14:1-14

**The Gospel of Christ    Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily

Dean Ken

Affirmation of Faith

Melissa Green

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**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

Melissa Green

As our Saviour taught us we pray:

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.

Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving

Dean Ken

On behalf of myself, wardens and committee members, I acknowledge the generous financial support of so many through these challenging times. To those who contribute electronically, through envelopes received by post or in other ways, I say THANK YOU and offer this short blessing in relation to your generous gifts.

O God, the protector and giver of all, bless those gifts given which support your ministry in Anglican tradition and practice in and through St. Paul's. As we know and live into Your blessing O God, may others be similarly blessed. In Christ's name we pray, **Amen.**

## Announcements

Hymn CP 531

Dean Ken at the piano

You who dwell in the shelter of our God,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: 'My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!'

Refrain: 'And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.'

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under God's wings your refuge,  
God's faithfulness your shield. Refrain

You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come. Refrain

For to God's angels is given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways,  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain

A short postlude is played by Gail Ovington