

Virtual Worship from St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Kamloops BC

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 9, 2021 Mother's Day

The Rev Len Fraser and Melissa Green lead worship today. Jim Waldie, Ivan Vutev sing and Gail Ovington is organist and pianist.

Today's service originates from the traditional territory of the Tk'emplúps te Secwepemc – Kamloops & Area First Nation. We acknowledge their care for and working of the land prior to contact with Europeans. As Canadian Anglicans, we continue to work toward healing and reconciliation and a new experience of sharing the land together.

All are welcome to attend Zoom Coffee after the service. The link will appear in the Facebook comments shortly before the end of the service.

Prelude and Fugue, BWV 549 by JS Bach

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Played by Gail Ovington

EMBRACING EASTER SEASON TOGETHER

Melissa Green

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.

Almighty God, your power makes the lame walk
and the dead rise to new life.

We give you thanks for the love
poured into our world through Christ Jesus,
who opens our minds to understand what you have made,
whose appearance among his followers brings peace,
and who creates faith through touch and taste.

**Show us Jesus, even now,
through the mystery of your threefold presence,
one God, abiding now and forever. Amen.**

Feasting on the Word

SONG: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name - CP 322 Jim Waldie

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, the heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, life divine, and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him, Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs of your God, who his altar call;
praise him whose burning path you trod, and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him, Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him, Lord of all.

Let every tongue and evert tribe, delivered from the fall,
to Christ all majesty ascribe, and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him, Lord of all.

O that, with heaven's sacred throng, we at his feet may fall,
Lift high the universal song, and crown him,
crown him, crown him, crown him, Lord of all!

Text: Edward Perronet (1726- 1792), alt.

Music: William Shrusbsole (1759- 1806)

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COLLECT

Rev Len Fraser

God of abiding love, you dare to call us friends.

Take our fragmented hearts, command them to love, and make whole our joy,
which is our life, reborn in Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for us. Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

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A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Rev Len Fraser

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. ACTS 10:44-48

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

Jim Waldie

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

1 JOHN 5:1-6

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

Refrain:

Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [Refrain]

2 In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. [Refrain]

3 Give us strength to love each other,
every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [Refrain]

4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [Refrain]

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THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ

Rev Len Fraser

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." JOHN 15:9-17

SERMON

Rev Len Fraser

Song My Love Colors Outside the Lines MV 138 Ivan Vutev

My Love colours outside the lines, exploring paths that few could every find;
And takes me into places where I've never been before and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

My Lord colours outside the lines, turns wounds to blessings, water into wine;
And takes me into places where I've never been before and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

My Soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back curtains, sun, come in and shine;
I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before, throw open doors to worlds outside the lines.

My Soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back curtains, sun, come in and shine;
I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before, throw open doors to worlds outside the lines.

We'll never walk on water If we're not prepared to drown, body and soul need a soaking from time to time. And we'll never move the grave stones if we're not prepared to die, and realize there are worlds outside the lines.

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Melissa Green

One Woman's Creed

I believe in God, creator of the universe, dwelling forever beyond time and space.

I believe in Jesus Christ who came to live among us and let us see what God is like.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, sent from God through Jesus to be our guide and comforter.

Therefore,

I believe in love, in hope, compassion, joy and faith, and forgiveness, and eternal life.

Frances Somerville

Mother's Day PRAYERS

Melissa Green

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ivan Vutev

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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.**

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Grant us your peace.**

Let us pray. O Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God;
**In these times when we cannot receive you sacramentally,
come into ourselves, our souls and bodies,
as you have risen from the dead
bringing victory over death,
healing, comfort and peace.
Revitalize your Church in Love;
Strengthen us for service;
that when our wanderings end,
we may in courage and confidence
in joy and resilience,
discover your love throughout all creation, Amen.**

Quiet time

SENDING AND CELEBRATING

Rev Len Fraser

God of Eastertide –
of blazing bonfires and familiar gestures,
of serious questions and tears and laughter,
of conversations on the road –
come close to us as we walk,
as we warm ourselves,
as we dance in firelight,
as we share stories and food.
Bless us as we celebrate your rising in us,
closer to us than breathing,
life-giving as fire and bread.

Ruth Burgess. Fire and Bread

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melissa Green

HYMN: To God be the Glory CP 371

Jim Waldie and Ivan Vutev

To God be the glory, who great things has done!
God so loved the world, freely sending the Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear God's voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give God the glory, who great things has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God:
That when the offender, repenting, believes,
Through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives.

Refrain

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Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give God the glory, who great things has done!*

Great things God has taught us, great things God has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see!

Refrain

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And give God the glory, who great things has done!*
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Organ postlude: Improvisation by Gail Ovington

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