

4th sunday of easter

April 21, 2024

Acts 4. 5-12

"The stone that was rejected ...become the cornerstone."

John 10. 11-18

"The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

Sharing in worship leadership tonight:

Andrew Colman *presider & preacher*
Beth Downey Sawatzky *lay reader*

contemplative

Turn aside and see;
Turn aside and see;
Turn aside and see, and notice me.

- Rachel Colman

gathering

I'm the good shepherd, I lay down my life
I lay down my life for you.
I'm the good shepherd, I lay down my life
I lay down my life for you.

And my sheep hear my voice,
Follow me...

- Larry Campbell

collect for the day

*O God of peace,
who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing
in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN*

setting the table

The Heart of God has been revealed;
The Heart of God has been revealed;
To bring love, not hate; pour out, not dominate;
The Heart of God has been revealed.

The Heart of God has been revealed;
The Heart of God has been revealed;
To forgive, not blame; to make whole, not shame;
The Heart of God has been revealed.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah;
The Heart of God has been revealed.

- Alana Levandoski

during communion

Who condemns you now?
Neither they nor I.
Go and sin no more, go and sin no more.

- Gord Johnson

You have redeemed my soul
From the pit of emptiness.
You have redeemed my soul from death.
You have redeemed my soul
From the pit of emptiness.
You have redeemed my soul from death.

I was a hungry child, a dried up river;
I was a burned out forest,
And no one could do anything for me.
But you put food in my body,
Water in my dry bed,
And to my blackened branches,
You brought the springtime green of new life,
And nothing is impossible for you.

- Jenny Moore





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into the rest of life

We come, fragile as dust,
held together with breath.
We come, fragile as dust,
held together with breath.
We face each other to see
the healing power of God's grace.
We come, fragile as dust,
held together with breath.

We come, tired by life,
healed together with breath.
We come, tired by life,
healed together with breath.
We yield our burdens
to stand only in salvation's strength.
We come, tired by life,
healed together with breath.

We sing songs of your love,
inspired together with breath.
We sing songs of your love,
inspired together with breath.
We worship in gratitude
for all that God has done for us.
We sing songs of your love,
inspired together with breath.

Spirit, bring us together.
Spirit, by your breath.

We go, children of God,
moved together with breath.
We go, children of God,
moved together with breath.
We claim our inheritance:
a kingdom to build and grow.
We go, children of God,
moved together with breath.

▪ Rachel Colman



Sunday, April 28th – Celebration of New Ministry!

Bishop Geoff Woodcroft will join us to officially welcome our new incumbent, **The Rev. Andrew Colman**. A reception will take place following the service, and we are hoping our community can showcase some of their gifts for hospitality and culinary arts! Would you contribute some baking or a small snack to our refreshments table at the reception? Please let Sarah know if you plan to contribute, just so we can coordinate supplies. Contributions can be delivered on April 28th before service. Thank you for helping us mark this special day in our community!

We are blessed to have **many ministries to celebrate!** Save the date of the afternoon of **May 11th** as we gather to celebrate the many individuals who offer the gift of their time, energy, and talents to the work of saint benedict's table. *Stay tuned for more details.*

on-line evening prayer gathers **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday** at 5:00 pm on our **facebook page**. Readings are also provided for **Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday** so you can pray this simple liturgy at home on your own.

The liturgy for the upcoming week will be available on Monday morning on our website.

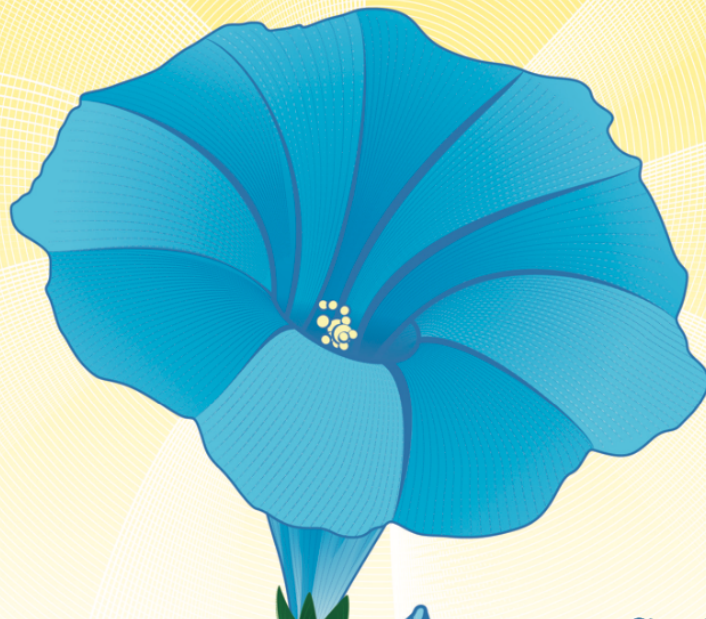
So where is the offering plate? We believe that worship isn't the time to start digging around in our pockets and purses, so we place a collection basket on the back table for people to deposit cheques or cash in the envelopes provided. Alternatively, households can sign up to make monthly pre-authorized offerings at <https://www.stbenedictstable.ca/support>, make e-transfers to finance@stbenedictstable.ca, or donate through Canada Helps, or by scanning the QR code at the right.





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a liturgy of the resurrection



We Gather

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed.
Alleluia!
Praise the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave us new life and hope
by raising Jesus from the dead.
We are claimed as God's own.
God called us from our darkness
into the light of a new day
Alleluia! Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed.
Alleluia!

The Word

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Prayers

Let us pray to the Lord,
Hear us, Lord of Glory!

The peace of the Lord be
always with you,
And also with you.

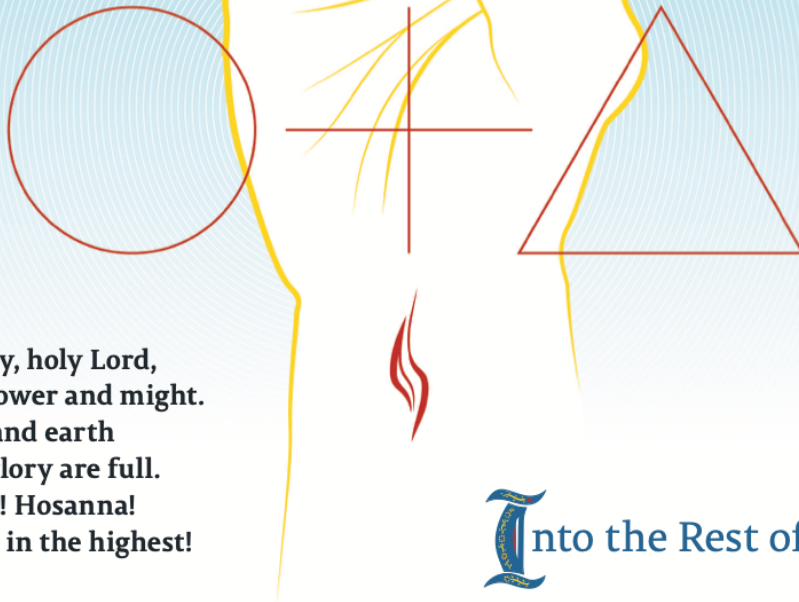


The Table

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the
Lord our God.
**It is right to give our
thanks and praise.**

“Jesus has made
himself translucent,
the burning glass
through which
God’s light
comes to set
the world on fire;
he has made
an empty space
in the world
for God to come in.”

— *Rowan Williams*



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth
of your glory are full.
Hosanna! Hosanna!
Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.**

This is the Body of Christ:
Behold what you are
become what you receive
Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Into the Rest of Life

Glory to God,
**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,
forever and ever. Amen**

Go into the world, rejoicing in the
power of the Spirit. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!