

4th Sunday of Easter



April 21, 2024

10: 30 a.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me. John 10:14

MORNING PRAYER Book of Alternative Services

Processional Hymn # 300 COMMON PRAISE

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

A Liturgy for Earth Day The church is called to participate in God’s transformation of creation. Our action, reducing our footprint on this Earth, needs to be grounded in a spirituality that recognises the sacredness and wonder of creation.

Call to Worship (from Psalm 19):

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims God’s handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard.

Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

Prayer of Confession

Creator of the earth and all living things, maker of the sky and the air and the breath of life, God of all that is: we are your servant people, created out of the clay of the earth itself. We forget that we are your creatures and we play at being gods. We neglect the work of guardianship that you have provided for our occupation and our joy. We have used, abused, and abandoned those things that you have created for your delight. You have created a fragile world in a perfect and delicate balance. Thinking too much of our own importance we have upset the balance.

We ask your forgiveness, Holy and Righteous God. We yearn to join with the mountains and valleys, the great creatures and the birds of the wild ocean waters in singing your praises. Amen

Introductory Responses BAS 47

The Invitatory # 10 BAS 48

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come let us worship.

Children’s Time

“All Are Welcome”

The Venite BAS 49

First Reading Acts 4:8-12

Litany for Creation INSERT

The Jubilate BAS 49

Second Reading 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel Hymn # 85 COMMON PRAISE VS 1,2 / 3,4

“Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless”

Third Reading John 10:11-18

MESSAGE – Lesley Rice

The Apostles Creed BAS 52

Prayers of the People

Prayers of the People sent by email

Offertory Hymn # 378 COMMON PRAISE

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd.

Our Declaration of Hope

“Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls.” (Jeremiah 6:16)

We are standing at a crossroads. Together let us seek the good way, treasure the traditional pathways and find rest for all of God’s creation.

Collect

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.

Lord's Prayer # 2

BAS 54

The Blessing

Three-Fold Amen

Recessional Hymn # 37 COMMON PRAISE

"We'll Sing in the Morning"

Dismissal

Flowers on the altar given today by Lillian Mungham, in loving memory of her son Stuart.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP IN THE HALL
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE**



Continue to pray for those in our community and around the world who have been impacted by the COVID 19 virus. Be with those who are impacted by the fighting in the Israel-Humas conflict, and the ongoing war in other war-torn parts of the world. God is a wonderful, loving God and will be with each of us, during these trying times.

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Anyone wishing personal prayers, is invited to call Lesley Rice, Diane Campbell, or Gord Launchbury.



Sun Apr 21 Morning Prayer

Tues Apr 23 Bible Study 9:30 – 11: a.m.

Office open 1 – 4 p.m.

Open Church 7:00 p.m.

Thurs Apr 25 Office open 1 - 4 p.m.

Thurs Apr 25 Advisory Board Mtg 7 p.m.

Fri Apr 26 Annual Senior's Day at Best Western

Mariposa Plus on Memorial Ave, Orillia

Celebrating "Seenagers" 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Sun Apr 28 Eucharist with Rev. Dr. David Hardie

Sat May 4 Spring Blossom Tea & Bake Sale

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Readings for April 28, 2024

Eucharist with Rev. Dr. David Hardie

Acts 8: 26-40 Psalm 22:24-30

1 John 4: 7-12 John 15:1-8

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MOTTO: "Sharing God in Everything We Do"

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SUNDAY SERVICES - 10:30 a.m.

**May the peace of Christ surround you as
you worship, today.
Know that God loves you & is with you now
and always.**