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*Whoever you are, and wherever you are in your journey of life,
you are welcome in this place!*



Jesus said to the disciples, 'Come and have breakfast.' Then he took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Sunday May 5th, 2019
Easter 3

The Gathering of the Community

Announcements

Opening Hymn *Sing a New Song Unto the Lord*

CP312

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Easter Proclamation (x2)

Sung to Tadman

Alleluia, Christ is risen, the Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia! (x2)

May his grace and peace be with you; may he fill our hearts with joy.

Alleluia, Christ is risen, the Lord is risen indeed.

Children's time

The sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

The Peace is exchanged. Some people may be uncomfortable sharing the peace.

Please respect their decision. Hand sanitizer is available at the end of the pews.

Gathering Hymn: Gloria (sung)

We sing of your glory, we praise you again;

For you are eternal. Amen, Amen.

We sing of your power and honour again;

For you are eternal. Amen, Amen.

Glory in the highest; on earth sing again.

Glory, alleluia. Amen, Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God, who raises the dead to life. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading: Acts 9:1-20

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Saul, who was breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in

Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.'

For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30

Jan Savory

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing to the Lord, you servants of God; give thanks for the remembrance of the holiness of God.

For the wrath of God endures but the twinkling of an eye, the favour of God for a lifetime. Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.

Lord, with your favour, you made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with you, saying,

"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper."

You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia give Thanks

CP405

Gospel Reading: John 21:1-14

video

After the Resurrection, Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter,

Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Reverend Nigel Bunce

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God whose abundant goodness fills the universe with gifts of love. We will accept all that God gives with reverence and joy; so that all may see and experience God's love.

We believe in Jesus the Christ God's greatest gift of all: who from the smallest seeds of faith, brings forth a harvest of good things. Using all that Christ has given us, our gifts, our talents, our very selves, we will be as Christ to all we meet

We believe in God's Spirit of Truth, bringing to fruition all that has been given to us, and stirring us to a life which shows the world God's harvest of Love. Amen.

Prayers of the People (stand, kneel or sit)

Nigel Bunce

Confession (stand, kneel or sit)

Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence is kept)

Lord, God, we have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will. We have eaten without a thought for the hungry. We have spoken without an effort to understand others. We have kept silence instead of telling the truth.

We have judged others, forgetful that you alone are the Judge. We have acted rather in accordance with our opinions than according to your commands. Within your Church we have been slow to practice love of our neighbours. And in the world we have not been your faithful servants.

Forgive us and help us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Saviour. Amen.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

We Praise You, O God

CP342

Prayer over the Gifts (standing)

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day your shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 5

(music by Tadman)

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.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,

said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many. Do this in memory of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

(sung, Tadman)

Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name, your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us, this day, 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 forever. Amen, Amen, Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

(Fraction Sentence 8)

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Gifts of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

Everyone is welcome us at the Lord's Table. Please do not dip the bread in the wine

Communion Hymns:

The Church is Wherever

R148

1. The church is wherever God's people are praising, singing his goodness for joy on this day.
The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember his story and walk in his way.
2. The church is wherever God's people are helping, caring for neighbours in sickness and need.
The church is wherever God's people are sharing the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.

As we Gather at your Table

CP61

Prayer after Communion (standing)

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Doxology

(Sung twice, music by Bob Tadman)

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Lord of the Dance

R106

1. 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.

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he;
I'll lead you all wherever you may be, I will lead you all in the dance, said he.*

2. 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.
3. 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 high, and they left me there on a cross to die.
4. 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.
5. They cut me down and I leap 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.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

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Priest in charge:	Reverend Nigel Bunce
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Bell ringer	Kaleb Varga
Coffee Host:	Bev Mitchell
Counters:	Bonnie Powell and Jim Mighton

Announcements

- Sincere thanks to those who helped with hospitality when the Bishop's Advisory Council met at St. George's on Tuesday.
- This month's food donations for St. Matthew's House will be blessed on May 26th. Last month: 711 lbs. An amazing effort!! Congratulations and thanks to all.
- Today May 5th, Easter 3 at 9:30 am, Parish meeting after the service.
- Sunday May 12th, Easter 4 and Mother's Day at 9:30 am.
- Monday May 13th at 9:30 am ACW meeting.
- Tuesday May 14th and 15th New carpet will be installed in Narthex and Fireside room and offices.
- Sunday May 19th, Easter 5 and Rogation Sunday at 9:30 am.

Ongoing Announcements

- **Prayer Chain:** For confidential requests for prayer by prayer chain members, please contact Bev Mitchell: m.beverlyj@cogeco.ca or 905-878-7505
- **Singers!** Come lend your voice to our songs. Practice on Sunday mornings before church at 8:45 am. All welcome.
- Have you missed a homily recently? It can be read on our website www.stgeorgeslowville.com/recent_sermons. There is also a link on our Facebook page: @StGeorgesLowville

Outside Announcements

- Saturday May 11th Kids Against Hunger Food Pack Event. Set up at 8:30 am. Volunteers to pack food 10 am to Noon. Pizza Lunch to follow and clean up, out by 2:00 pm. Contact Kinh Quach @ kquach@keybase.com or 416-315-7568.