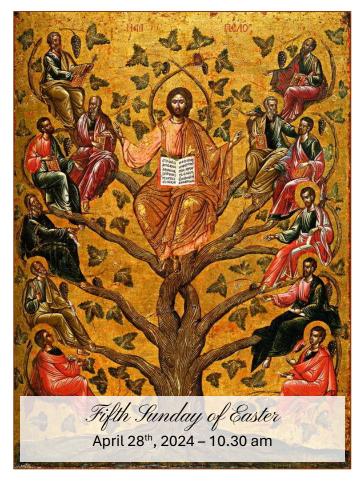
# St Hilary's Anglican Church

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# The Gathering of the Community

#### Prelude

#### Easter Sentence

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore, let us keep the feast. *1 Corinthians 5:7-8* 

#### Processional Hymn | Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee | Common Praise 425

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays; stars and angels sing around thee, centre of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

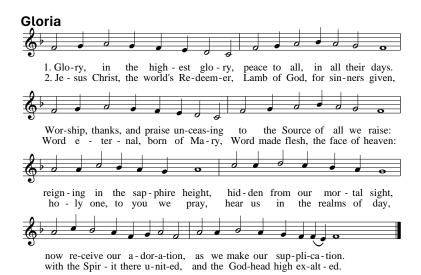
Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well–spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father and our Mother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

#### The Easter Greeting

Priest:	Alleluia! Christ is risen.
<b>People:</b>	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Priest:	May his grace and peace be with you.
<b>People:</b>	<b>May he fill our hearts with joy.</b>
Priest:	There is one body and one Spirit
<b>People:</b>	There is one hope in God's call to us;
Priest: <b>People:</b>	One Lord, one faith, one baptism, <b>One God and Father of all.</b>

#### **Collect for Purity**

Priest:	Almighty God
People:	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 for the Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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.

# The Liturgy of the Word

### A Reading from the Book of Acts

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and

starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea. ACTS 8:26-40

Celebrant:	The Word of The Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 22

Said responsively by half verse.

For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth shall remember

and turn to the Lord;

and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

For dominion belongs to the Lord,

and he rules over the nations.

To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

Posterity will serve him;

future generations will be told about the Lord.

### A Reading from the First Letter of John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

1 JOHN 4:7-21

Lector:	The Word of The Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

Please rise, as you are able, for the Gospel procession.

#### Gradual Hymn | O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near | Verses 1 & 2 | CP 52

O God, unseen yet ever near, your presence may we feel; and thus, inspired with holy fear, around your table kneel.

Here may your faithful people know the blessings of your love, the streams that through the desert flow, the manna from above.

Celebrant:	The Lord be With You.
<b>People:</b>	And also with you.
Lay Reader:	The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.
<b>People:</b>	Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. JOHN 15:1-9

Lector:The Gospel of Christ.People:Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn | O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near | Verses 3 & 4 | CP 52

We come, obedient to your word, to feast on heavenly food, to eat the body of the Lord, and drink his precious blood.

O living Bread, enduring Vine, your words we shall obey, and go, renewed with strength divine, rejoicing on our way.

#### Sermon

#### Solo | Where'er You Walk | Sung by Arwen Kamateros

#### Creed

Celebrant: All:	Let us confess our faith, as we say, We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
	For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Intercessions

Lay Reader:	Lord in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant:	Dear friends in Christ,
	God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
	he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.
	Let us confess our sins,
	confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant:Most merciful God,All:we confess that we have sinned against youin thought, word, and deed,by what we have done,and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

- Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
- **The Peace** You are invited to exchange a sign of God's peace.

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

#### Offertory Hymn | Come and Journey with a Saviour | CP 482

Come and journey with a Saviour who has called us from our birth, who has washed us in the waters, and who loved us on the earth. Refrain: Come and journey, come and journey with a Saviour who has come. We are all God's sons and daughters; in the Spirit we are one.

Come and journey, journey inward, come and seek him deep within, where he meets us in our living, in our striving and our sin. Refrain:

Come and journey, journey outward, telling others of his name, telling others of his glory, of his cross and of the shame. Refrain:

Come and journey, journey outward, where that cross calls us to care, where injustice and where hunger and the poor call us to share. Refrain:

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**.

#### **Eucharistic Prayer 3**

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
<b>People:</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.
<b>People:</b>	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<b>People:</b>	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant:	Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to like again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name. $\underbrace{\begin{tabular}{lllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$

Celebrant:	We praise you, merciful Father, not as we ought, but as we are able,
	because in your tender love
	you gave the world your only Son,
	in order that the world might be saved through him.
	He made you known by taking the form of a servant,
	healing the sick, liberating the oppressed,
	reaching out to the lost.
	Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross,
	he confronted the power of sin
	and disarmed it forever.
	In his offering of himself,
	he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.
	Redeemed by Christ,
	we have been adopted as your children;
	by your pardon
	you have made us worthy to praise you.
	On the night he was betrayed,
	Jesus, at supper with his friends,
	took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
	gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat:
	this is my body which is given for you.
	Do this for the remembrance of me."
	After supper he took the cup of wine,
	and when he had given thanks,
	he gave it to them,
	and said, "Drink this, all of you:
	this is my blood of the new covenant
	which is shed for you and for many
	for the forgiveness of sins.
	Whenever you drink it,
	do this for the remembrance of me."
	In obedience to him and with grateful hearts
	we approach your holy table,
	remembering our Saviour's sacrifice,
	and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose,
	we declare our faith.
People:	Christ has died,
	Christ is risen,
	Christ will come again.
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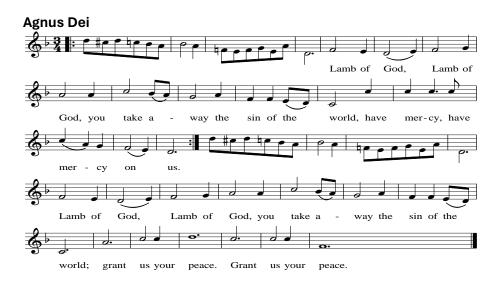
Celebrant: Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever. People: Amen.





#### **Breaking of the Bread**

Priest:	Lord, we died with you on the cross.
People:	Now we are raised to new life.
Priest:	We were buried in your tomb.
People:	Now we share in your resurrection.
Priest:	Live in us, that we may live in you.
Priest:	These are the gifts of God for you the holy people of God.
People:	Thanks be to God!
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### Communion Hymns I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life | CP 56

I am the bread, the bread of life; who comes to me will never hunger. I am the bread, the bread of heaven; who feeds on me will never die. And as you eat, remember me – my body broken on the tree: my life was given to set you free, and I'm alive for evermore.

I am the vine, the living vine; apart from me you can do nothing. I am the vine, the real vine; abide in me and I in you. And as you drink, remember me – my blood was shed upon the tree: my life was given to set you free, and I'm alive for evermore.

So eat this bread, and drink this wine, and as you do, receive this life of mine. All that I am, I give to you, that you may live for evermore.

### Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread | CP 65

Mark how the Lamb of God's self–offering our human sinfulness takes on in the birth–waters of the Jordan as Jesus is baptized by John. Hear how the voice from heaven thunders, "Lo, this is my beloved Son." See how in dove–like form the Spirit descends on God's Anointed One.

From this assurance of God's favour Jesus goes to the wilderness, there to endure a time of testing that readied him to teach and bless. So we, by water and the Spirit baptized into Christ's ministry, are often led to paths of service through mazes of adversity. Grant us, O God, the strength and courage to live the faith our lips declare; bless us in our baptismal calling; Christ's royal priesthood help us share. Turn us from every false allegiance, that we may trust in Christ alone; raise up in us a chosen people transformed by love to be your own.

#### **Sharing of Communion**

All who seek to serve Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament as a reminder of your baptism, or you may come forward for a blessing.

# Going Out into the World

#### Prayer after Communion

Celebrant:

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**.

#### The Doxology

Priest:	Glory to God,
All:	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.

#### Announcements

#### **The Blessing**

#### Dismissal

Leader:	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.	
	Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
People:	Thanks be to God!	
	Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	

#### Recessional Hymn | Lord, You Give the Great Commission | CP 433

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word." Lest the Church neglect its mission and the Gospel go unheard, help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity; with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach." That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each, give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community; with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry. Lord, you make the common holy: "This my body, this my blood." Let your priests, for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward, asking that world around us share your children's liberty; with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive." Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give. May your care and mercy lead us to a just society; with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

### **Ministering Today**

Lay Reader Lynda Dundas Lector Lois Gordon Chancel Guild Linda Marfleet's Team Organist Donna Conforzi

### Aumbry Candle

This week, the Aumbry Candle burns in memory of Charlie and Vi Marten.

## **Memorial Flowers**

To the glory of God and in thanksgiving for 50 years of the Order of the Holy Cross in Canada.

#### Each Week at St Hilary's

Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	Morning Prayer
Thursday	10:00 am	Food Cupboard
Sunday	8:30 am	Said Eucharist
	10:30 am	Sung Eucharist
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# Youth Corner

#### John 15: 1 – 8

" Thank you, God, for the stories we have from Jesus that help us understand the love you have for us through Jesus. Amen."

In today's scripture story, we hear Jesus talk about how a branch is supposed to grow and bear fruit for the vine or tree that it belongs to. But, for that branch to grow and bear fruit, it must remain attached to the vine or tree. Because, if the branch was removed from the tree, what would happen?

That's right – the branch wouldn't be able to receive water and food from the tree and the branch would die. And if the branch was separated from the tree and died, what else wouldn't it be able to do? It wouldn't be able to grow or bear fruit or leaves.

One of the reasons Jesus is talking about trees, branches, and fruit is because Jesus wants us to think about how we are like branches and that *he* is like a tree. Jesus wants us to remember that when we stay connected to him, then like branches on a tree, we are better able to receive (and then share) God's love, healing, and forgiveness. But, Jesus is also reminding us that it is possible for us to become separated from him.

However, if ever we do become disconnected from Jesus, that does not mean we're disconnected forever. Instead, we can and are invited to reconnect with Jesus. Then, when we are connected /reconnected with Jesus, we are able to receive all the same gifts that Jesus receives from God. Which also means we can share those same gifts of love, healing, and forgiveness with the people around us. "Thank you, God, for helping us to understand that we are not alone and that you are always waiting there for us. Amen"

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