



**Sunday April 12, 2026
Second Sunday of Easter**

St. Paul's Anglican Church, Uxbridge



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Land Acknowledgement

It is a great privilege to gather, share stories of faith and worship God on this beautiful territory, which we now know as Township of Uxbridge but which has been the site of human activity – and therefore storytelling and worship – for many thousands of years. We wish to honour the ancestral guardians of this land and its waterways: the Huron-Wendat, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Mississauga and Chippewa (Anishinaabe) people. The treaties that were signed for this particular parcel of land are collectively referred to as the Williams Treaties of 1923. Today many Indigenous peoples, including the Metis Nation continue to call this land home and act as its stewards, and this responsibility extends to all peoples, to share and care for this land for generations to come.

Prelude

Christ Arose

Wilhelmi

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

(please stand)

Processional Hymn

That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright

CP 231

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

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.**

The Gloria

CP 686

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have Mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the holy spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Kyrie

CP 687

Cantor:	Kyrie eleison	People:	<i>Kyrie eleison</i>
Cantor:	Christe eleison	People:	<i>Christe eleison</i>
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Cantor:	Kyrie eleison		

Collect of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

(please be seated)

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Reader: The First Reading is written in the second chapter of The Book of the Acts of the Apostles beginning at the fourteenth verse

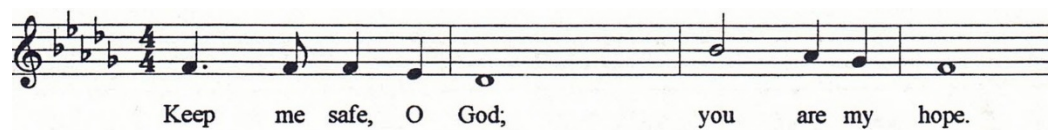
Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses." (*Acts 2:14A, 22-32*)

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 16



Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Reader: The Second Reading is written in the first chapter of the First Letter of Peter beginning at the third verse

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. (*1 Peter 1:3-9*)

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters (vv. 1, 5, 6, 7)

CP 228

Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

Reader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Alleluia

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, Alleluia**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. *(John 20:19-31)*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ, Alleluia

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, Alleluia**

(please be seated)

Homily

Moment of Silent Reflection

(please stand)

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all this 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.

(please sit, kneel or stand)

Prayers of the People

(please sit/kneel)

Confession and Absolution

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.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in 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.

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.**

(please stand)

The Peace

May the peace of the risen Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

(please stand)

Offertory Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

CP 207

The Prayer over the Gifts

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord be with you
Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 life 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.

Sanctus

CP 689

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the Highest.

(please be seated)

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command, **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all, presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: **Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Agnus Dei

CP 690

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.*

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

Communion Hymn

All Shall Be Well

CP 222

(please be seated)

Choir Anthem

Hodie

Sleeth

Prayer after Communion

Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology

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.**

The Blessing

Announcements

(please stand)

Recessional Hymn

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

CP 215

Celebrant: Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

Postlude

Improvisation on Victimae Paschali laudes

*If you have another commitment today,
and need to depart the church during the postlude, feel free to do so quietly.*

This Week at St. Paul's

Monday, April 13, 2026

- 2:00 pm – Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop in the Lower Hall

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Wednesday, April 15, 2026

- 10:00 am – Midweek Eucharist in the Lounge
- 10:30 am – Informal Bible Study in the Lounge

Thursday, April 16, 2026

- 1:00 pm – Outreach meeting in the Lounge

- 2:00 pm – Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop in the Lower Hall

Friday, April 17, 2026

- 10:30 am – Choir practice

Sunday, April 19, 2026 – Third Sunday of Easter

- 10:30 am – Eucharist

Readings for Next Sunday

- Acts 2:14a, 36-41
- Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17
- 1 Peter 1:17-23
- Luke 24:13-35

Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, April 25, 2026 – 2:00 pm - Celebration of New Ministry Service for Reverend Johanna.** More details will follow. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to **attend this celebration in the life of our parish.**
- **Wednesday, May 20, 2026 – 15th Annual North Durham Prayer Breakfast,** sponsored by the Churches of Uxbridge, Scugog and Brock will be held at **Mill Run Golf Club at 7:00 a.m.** For more information, see notices on bulletin boards.
- **St. Paul's Creative Crafters** – All crafters are welcome. If you are a seasoned crafter or just starting out or want to learn and create. Come share your passion for handmade fun!
 What to expect:
 - gather and share your love of knitting, crochet, stitchery, paper crafts and more
 - skill sharing ideas learning new techniques
 - become a part of our prayer shawl ministry, providing shawls, pocket squares and more to members of our community
 - you are welcome to bring your own craft projects and enjoy some fellowship with others
 Join us the **first Tuesday of every month** in the church lounge from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.
 For more information contact Doreen Stainton – email cedarviewarts@gmail.com
- **St. Paul's Choir** meet for choir practice on Friday mornings from 10:30 am until 12:00 pm and on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. New members are always welcome and encouraged. Please let Stu know if you would like to participate.

**For the health and comfort of those with allergies
St. Paul's is a "scent free" facility.**