

takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

– PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD –

FIRST READING Acts 1.1–11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” ⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

✠ The Word of the Lord. ✠ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 93 *Dominus regnavit. (Coverdale)*

Chant: EDGAR DAY (1891–1983)

The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: * **the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.**

2 He hath made the round world so sure, * **that it cannot be moved.**

3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared: * **thou art from everlasting.**

4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice: * **the floods lift up their waves.**

5 The waves of the sea are mighty and rage horribly, * **but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.**

6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure: * **holiness becometh thine house for ever.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SECOND READING Ephesians 1.15–23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

✠ The Word of the Lord. ✠ **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN 39 *At the name of Jesus*

KING’S WESTON

GOSPEL St. Luke 24.44–53 *Remain standing*

✠ The Lord be with you. ✠ **And with thy spirit.**

✠ +++The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

✠ **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that ⁴⁵everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁶Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” ⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

✠ The Gospel of Christ. ✠ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

HOMILY

NICENE CREED *Sstand*

Priest I believe in one God, *All* **the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. †And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Sstand, sit, or kneel*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Priest Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

People **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: †have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE *Sstand*

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

OFFERTORY HYMN 49 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

✠ All things come of thee, O Lord. ✠ **And of thine own have we given thee.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Priest Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A - Preface of the Ascension

Priest The Lord be with you. *People* **And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Priest It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to all his apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with angels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

SANCTUS, BENEDICTUS

IRELAND

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. †Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Priest Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.” Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.” Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Priest And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:
All **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM *Agnus Dei* IRELAND

INVITATION

☩ The gifts of God for the People of God. ☩ **Thanks be to God.**

THE COMMUNION

During the administration of Communion and the Ablutions, the choir will sing:

HYMN *Christians, lift your hearts and voices* WEBBE'S ST. THOMAS

ANTHEM *Out of the stillness* RICHARD SHEPARD (1949-)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

BLESSING

Priest The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: ☩And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN 164 *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun* DUKE STREET

DISMISSAL

☩ Go forth rejoicing in the risen Lord. Alleluia!

☩ **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

All are invited to Church House for refreshments after the service.

St. Luke's is a scent-free space. Please be aware that scents may cause allergic/asthmatic reactions in some of our congregants.

Please silence electronic devices such as smart phones.

VOLUNTARIES

Voluntary in C Major

Trumpet Tune

- JOHN KEEBLE (1711-1786)

- HENRY PURCELL (1659-1695)

ANTHEM TEXT

Out of the stillness of dark before dawn, In the still and the quiet and the damp of the night, The morning star glimmers alone in the sky: Signal of day, herald of light. Deep in the stillness of anguish and fear Lie hopes that were shattered by death and by doubt, The husk of a dream lies empty and crushed, Mind seeks for meaning, heart flickers out. Out of the stillness the dawn comes again Darkness is vanquished and hope is renewed The sun has arisen, never to set, A new day is dawning with heaven suffused. Death with its terrors at last overcome By one burst of light, by one gift of love. Wholeness and healing and hope in his arms, The sun has arisen with life for the world.

- Jonathan Draper.

ASSISTING TODAY -

Lectors: Vera Rosolowich, Sheila Welbergen
Chalice Bearers: Barbara Calder, Kris Watson
Sidespersons: Stella and Bob Douglas
Lay Reader: Susan Roe-Finlay
Crucifer: Don Seaton
Senior Acolyte: Ted Rennie
Acolytes: Arnold Goetz, Michael Croft
Intercessor: Joanne Tapscott
Oblationers: Cathy and Bruce Jones
Counters: Susan Stephen, Patricia Holbrow
Altar Guild: Susan Roe-Finlay
Refreshments: Barbara Calder (proceeds to Coffee Funds)

If you would like your birth date or anniversary published in the pew leaflet, please contact the parish office.

Happy Birthday

Taylor Williamson 30 May

Next Sunday - 4 June - **The Day of Pentecost**

8:15 AM - SAID EUCHARIST • 10:30 AM - PARISH SUNG EUCHARIST

Acts 2.1-21 • Psalm 104.25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea.*
1 Corinthians 12.3b-13 • St. John 20.19-23

Today - 4:00 PM - **CHORAL EVENSONG**

This parish has been blessed by your presence today.

The Parish Church of St. Luke 

Ascension

28 MAY 2017

We acknowledge that we meet and work in the Treaty One Land, the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, and Dakota people, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

We are grateful for their stewardship of this land and their hospitality which allows us to live, work and serve God the Creator here.

WELCOME GUESTS

Newcomers are encouraged to make themselves known to the clergy and to phone the parish office at 204.452.3609 should you wish to express any needs or concerns.

Please complete a visitor leaflet or envelope with your email address if you would like to receive parish newsletters sent to you regularly.

8:15 AM - SAID EUCHARIST

Service: BAS 230 • **Collect:** BAS 342 • **Psalm:** 93 *Dominus regnavit.*

Lay Reader: Susan Roe-Finlay • **Lector:** Bill Brant
Sidesperson: Bertha Brant • **Chalice Bearer:** Bertha

10:30 AM - CHORAL EUCHARIST

Service Music Setting: Communion Service in C - JOHN IRELAND (1879-1962)

- GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY -

HYMN 477 *Hail the day that sees him rise*

ASCENSION

GREETING

Priest Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

☩May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Priest Almighty God,

People

unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Priest

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

People

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

IRELAND

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that