

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 27, 2014

The Second Sunday in Easter



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## HOLY COMMUNION AT EIGHT O’CLOCK

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Introit Psalm 81:1-4

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Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Christopher Pratt

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## EUCCHARIST AT TEN O’CLOCK

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### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Christopher Pratt

*During the Prelude we quietly prepare our hearts and minds  
for worship and refrain from unnecessary conversation*

Organ Prelude

Processional Hymn 231 .....That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright

Greeting

Collect for Purity ..... p. 185

Children’s Focus

Children’s Recessional ..... Glory to God

Collect for The Day ..... p. 336

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*Luke has described the coming of the Holy Spirit as best he can in human terms. He writes that it was “like the rush of violent wind” and “divided as of fire”. Now, on behalf of the other apostles, Peter has begun interpreting the event to the crowd that has gathered.*

First Reading Acts 2:14a,22-32 ..... Brenda Holvey

Psalm 16..... p. 719

Psalm Prayer (all): **Gracious God, we bless your holy name for the heritage you have given us. Show us the path of life, that we may follow it hope, and come to know the joy of the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The author writes to churches in rural Asia Minor. He addresses his letter to those “chosen and destined” by the Father and “sanctified” by the Holy Spirit in order “to be obedient to Jesus Christ” and to share in the forgiveness available through Christ’s sacrificial death.*

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9..... Alice Croft

Gradual Hymn 224 v. 1, 2, 3..... Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

*Early on Easter Day, Mary Magdalene has recognized a man standing near the tomb as Jesus. She has told the disciples: “I have seen the Lord.” The disciples fear that they may suffer the same fate as their master.*

Gospel Reading..... John 20:19-31

Gradual Hymn 224 v. 4, 5..... Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

Sermon..... Pastor George Strack

**THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM**

Procession to the Font

Hymn 35 ..... Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

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Brooklyn Marion Felicia Blair

Aaron James Sapelak

The Prayers of the People Lynda Smith

Thanksgiving over the Water p. 156

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The Giving of the Light

The Peace

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Offertory Sentence: *Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.*

*John 20:29*

Offertory Hymn 228:1, 4-9..... Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters

Prayer over the Gifts..... p. 289

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Sanctus/Benedictus.....Hymnbook 735

Lord's Prayer .....BAS p.918

Breaking of the Bread 7..... p. 213

Agnus Dei.....Hymnbook 747

A Chalice has been prepared for those who wish to share in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion by means of intinction. It is located beside the font.

*After sharing the sacrament of Holy Communion those who have personal petitions or who wish to offer intercession for others are invited to the meditation area for*

*The Ministry of the Laying on of Hands with Prayers for Healing.*

Communion Hymn 237 .....Now the Green Blade Rises

Choir Anthem: This Joyful Eastertide.....harm. C. Wood

Post Communion Prayer ..... p. 289

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**“O God, the Giver of all new life, transform our lives and renew your Church through the power of your Holy Spirit; that we might better share with others your life and joy through Jesus Christ, who is our life. Amen”**

Recessional Hymn 220 .....  
Organ Postlude *The Postlude is the concluding offering of worship;  
Those who wish to leave during the Postlude are asked to do so quietly.*

**Rector**

The Reverend Canon Christopher Pratt

**Assistant Clergy**

The Venerable Ken Cardwell

The Reverend Paul Kett

The Reverend Canon Sonjie Pearson

The Reverend George Strack

**Theological Student in Residence**

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Rebecca McKay, Matthew Dolgin

**Parish Nurse**

Elsie Millerd, RN, BN, DipCS, MTS

**Chalice Bearers for April 27, 2014**

Miriam Butler, Jean Wright, Ken Hull, Rick Van Buskirk

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK – April 28 to May 4**

**Tuesday April 29**

1:00 p.m. Prayer Group – St Aidan’s Chapel

7:00 p.m. Adult Study Group – Fireside Room

**Wednesday April 30**

7:30 a.m. Early Morning Communion followed by Breakfast

7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Group

**Thursday May 1**

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice – Choir Practice Room

**Saturday May 3**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. ACW Deanery Meeting

**Sunday May 4**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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# The Church of St. John the Evangelist ~ April 27, 2014

**THIS WEEK IN ST. JOHN'S CYCLE OF PRAYER**, we pray for one another, that we may bear witness of our faith in our daily occupations and responsibilities. This week we pray for Eileen Garner, Viola Gaudet, John Gibbs and Cindy & Scott Gibson and families.

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are in loving memory of Eleanore F. Bean and Walter Alexander Bean, a gift of the family.

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** at the Deanery Confirmation Service are Mary Louise Stuart, William Eric Stuart, Charles Anthony Stuart, Christine Louise Purdon, and Dawn Marie Carr.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING:** The parish nurse is available after the 8 am and 10 am services today to do blood pressure screening and to make appointments for consultations on health concerns.

**MORNING PRAYER** Sunday, May 4 is the annual Mudpuppy Chase, which has hundreds of runners passing by our church. Like last year, in addition to our 8 AM and 10 AM Eucharist services, we will be gathering in the Memorial Garden for Morning Prayer at 9 AM. Refreshments will be served on the lawn between services, as well.

**ON EAGLES' WINGS** is now available, copies are on the table in the narthex.

**FUNDSCRIP** The next order will be placed April 27<sup>th</sup>

**RENEW-All SERVICE** Our Parish is hosting the Deanery of Waterloo RENEW-All service on Sunday May 4 at 2 p.m. Clergy and congregation from the Deanery of Waterloo will be gathering at St. John's as a part of our year long renewal experience. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**FROM THE CATERING TEAM:** We have been asked to look after light refreshments following the Renew-All service on Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m. If you could assist us by providing a loaf of fruit bread, that would be most appreciated. Please bring your fruit bread to the kitchen before noon on Sunday, May 4th. As well, please contact Maureen Lichti at 519-886-7342 or maureenlichti@rogers.com if you are able to help us in this way. Many thanks.

**PRE-FUNERAL PLANNING:** On Sunday, May 04, following the 10am service, the Health Council will be facilitating an information session on this important topic. The speaker will be Reverend Christopher Pratt. A light lunch will be provided and a free-will offering would be appreciated to go towards covering the cost of a special guest speaker we are planning for next year.

**CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) Course:** In preparation for the acquisition of an Automatic External Defibrillator, a CPR course will be planned at a mutually convenient time once six people have signed up to attend. The sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Course fees are \$40 for initial training and \$25 for recertification.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HURON CHURCH CAMP DONATIONS**  
Many thanks for the donations for Huron Church Camp. The donations were taken to London yesterday to the Annual meeting of the ACW.

**THE 2014 DOWNTOWN MUDPUPPY CHASE** will take place in Kitchener on Sunday, May 4. This year our church will be represented by a team: St. John's Flying Eagles. The Flying Eagles will be participating in the 3 km race that begins at Kitchener City Hall at 9:00 am. Anyone interested in joining the team is invited to go to the Mudpuppy website to register: <http://www.mudpuppychase.com/index.php>. The cost of registration is \$30 per individual, which covers event expenses such as hiring police, printing T-shirts, and providing food and refreshments. Those who wish to sponsor the team with a donation may also access the Mudpuppy website to do so. The Rotary Club of Kitchener—Grand River uses the funds raised to support a number of local charities, among them the KidsAbility Centre for Child Development and St. John's Kitchen. For more information, please contact Team Captain Charles Stuart in person after the 10:00 am service or by e-mail at [subeditor@hotmail.com](mailto:subeditor@hotmail.com). As a final note, those interested in participating will be relieved to learn that running the 3 km race at 9:00 am will not preclude their attendance at the 10:00 am service.

**GREAT FUN AND GREAT FELLOWSHIP!** Our annual parish golf tournament will be held at Brookfield Country Club on June 14th with first tee off at 10am. Only 20 spots are available on a first come basis. Price is \$60.00 a player and includes green fees and power cart, followed by a BBQ (including spouses) at Paul and Roxanne's place. Signup sheet will be in the Narthex or see Paul Wilson after coffee hour or call 519 745-6554, or [p\\_r\\_wilson@yahoo.com](mailto:p_r_wilson@yahoo.com) for details.

**PWDRF** Do you know Fred? Do you know who Fred is?

Well, find out more from Fred by going to Fredsays.ca and read his column on a regular basis.

**ST. JOHN'S WALKING GROUP:** Continues on Mondays at 12 noon at the Waterloo Recreation Centre, 101 Father David Bauer Drive, Waterloo. Facilitator: Rachel Prichard of St. John's Health Council.

**OUR BLUE JAYS TRIP** is a go for 2014! Come join us on the 24th of May to see the Blue Birds of Summer take on the Oakland Athletics! The tickets are \$50, and that includes the bus to and from the game. Please contact Brian Smith at brian.teacher@gmail.com, or at 519 954 1313 if you are interested.

**HOME CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM:** Saturdays, April 26 – May 17, 12:30 – 3pm, Fairview Mennonite Home, 515 Langs Drive, Cambridge, ON Sessions cover physical, emotional and psychological, social and information and spiritual needs in that order. You may register for one or all sessions. No cost. Please see the parish nurse for a registration form. Poster is on the Health News bulletin board.

**A BICYCLE BUILT FOR TWO: A Playful Reflection on Marriage:** Presented by Theatre of the Beat. Date: Saturday May 3, 2014. Time: Breakfast Event: 8:30 am – 12 pm Evening Performance: 7:30 pm. Location: The Conrad Centre, 36 King St. Kitchener. Cost: \$25/\$15 for students and subsidized (fund raiser for Shalom Counselling). To reserve tickets, please call the Conrad Centre (519)745-4711 or [www.kwsymphony.ca](http://www.kwsymphony.ca)

**SPIRITUS ENSEMBLE IN CONCERT:** Spiritus Ensemble performs Bach's magnificent 'Easter Oratorio' and Britten's luminous 'Rejoice in the Lamb' on Sunday, May 11, 2014, at 4 p.m. Soloists Stephanie Kramer, Jennifer Enns Modolo, Bud Roach and Rich Hrytzak join the Spiritus choir and orchestra under the direction of Kenneth Hull, conductor. St John the Evangelist Anglican Church, 23 Water Street, Kitchener. Admission by donation / Pay what you can.

**NATIONAL DEMENTIA STRATEGY PETITION:** In the most recent statistics, Rising Tide: The Impact of Dementia on Canadian Society, an estimated 500,000 Canadians have Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia. Over 70,000 are under the age of 65, over 50,000 are under the age of 60, 1 in 11 are over the age of 65 and 3/4 are female. Within a generation the numbers will more than double ranging between 1 and 1.3 million Canadians. We are facing a crisis with no national strategy to manage this

situation. Please consider signing the petition which calls on the Minister of Health and the House of Commons to pass Bill C - 356, an act respecting a national strategy of health. You can find this petition on the narthex table.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY GATHERING AND REFLECTION:**

Tuesday, May 6, 2014. St. Teresa of Avila Church, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Registration at 12:30 pm. Program 1:00 – 3:00 pm To register contact Mary Jane Yaeger (519-669-2963 or mj.yaeger@confinequip.ca) Free will offering to cover costs.

**SPRING/SUMMER MOVIES AT ST. JOHN’S**

- Friday, May 16, 7 pm: Robot and Frank
  - Friday, May 30, 7 pm: A New Voice: Living Well with Dementia
  - Friday, June 20, 7 pm: Brazil
  - Friday, July 18, 7 pm: Silent Running
  - Friday, August 1, 7 pm: The Princess Bride
  - Friday, August 8, 7 pm: Life of Pi
  - Sunday, August 10, 3 pm: Edward Scissorhands
  - Tuesday, August 12, 7 pm: The Name of the Rose
  - Sunday, August 17, 3 pm: Hugo
  - Thursday, August 28, 7 pm: Pan's Labyrinth
- More details to follow!

**Bible Readings for the Week**

We encourage you to take this list of daily Bible readings home, and use it as a guide to help you in your daily devotional practice.

- Sunday April 27 - Isaiah 43:8-13
- Monday April 28 - 2 Timothy 4:1-11
- Tuesday April 29 - 1 Peter 1:13-25
- Wednesday April 30 - John 15:1-11
- Thursday May 1 - John 14:6-14
- Friday May 2 - Exodus 16:23-36
- Saturday May 3 - Exodus 17:1-16



\*Go to <http://stjohntheevangelistkitchener.blogspot.ca> to find reflections submitted by members of our congregation.



Anglican Church of Canada

# News from General Synod

## Earth Day message from Anglican, Lutheran leaders

*A statement on Earth Day, April 22, 2014 from Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada and Bishop Susan Johnson, National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.*

**“This fragile Earth, our island home”**

*At your command all things came to be:  
The vast expanse of interstellar space,  
Galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,  
and this fragile earth, our island home;  
By your will they were created and have their being.  
Glory to you forever and ever.*

This year's observance of Earth Day follows immediately on the events of Good Friday and Easter Sunday. In them we see movements from enmity to reconciliation, suffering to hope, and death to new life. They speak not only to humanity but also to the interconnectedness of all of creation.

The Scriptures tell us that our first vocation as human beings is to tend God's creation. An honest assessment of our diligence in that call inevitably leads us to confess “our waste and pollution of creation and our lack of concern for those who come after us.” (Ash Wednesday Liturgy)

Reports on the state of the environment as documented by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change are increasingly alarming. Of particular concern is the global collapse of oceans and the serious consequences already borne by the poorest nations. At a climate conference in Warsaw last November, there was an emotional outpouring from countries that face existential threats, among them Bangladesh, which produces just 0.3 per cent of the emissions driving climate change.

In the face of increasing concern and vulnerability in the world voiced especially by the poor and the young, what word does the church speak? What action do we take?

**We learn** from global partners. A call from the Anglican Communion Environmental Network to a deeper commitment to the fifth Mark of Mission shared by Anglicans worldwide influenced the Anglican church's recent decision to have candidates for baptism make an additional vow “to strive to safeguard the integrity

of creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth.” (An Act of General Synod, 2013). A call from the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) delegation to COP 19 in Warsaw, Poland (November 11-22, 2013), which included seven young adults, led the Lutheran church to join a global monthly fast in prayerful solidarity with people affected by climate change (#fastfortheclimate).

**We raise awareness.** Anglican and Lutheran Youth have taken up the challenge of raising awareness of the “Right to Water” through a joint National Youth Project. Our churches commend the UN effort to reach a global treaty in 2015 to secure a global agreement on a net zero emissions goal. Canada, with the second highest greenhouse gas emissions intensity per capita of the G8 countries[1], is expected to announce an emission-reduction target for 2030 that would be significantly lower than 2020 levels. While progress is being made, without new measures, absolute emissions in 2030 would be projected to reach 815 megatonnes — 81 megatonnes more than projected for 2020.

**We act.** As Full Communion partners, our churches are committed to learn about issues of resource extraction and the effects on environment, health, Indigenous peoples, communities and economies and to raise awareness within our communities and with policy shapers and decision makers. We support our partners in defining their own development goals, including supporting Indigenous communities in Canada and elsewhere in exercising their right to Free, Prior and Informed Consent; and act to embed enforceable legal obligations based on FPIC in Canadian policies and practices with respect to resource extraction. We advocate for responsible and ethical investment and actions by individuals, faith communities, corporations, and governments both in Canada and around the world. And, we pray for the humility and discipline to use Earth’s resources wisely and responsibly. These are commitments we are working to put into action.

With our ecumenical and interfaith partners – KAIROS; the Commission on Justice and Peace of the Canadian Council of Churches; the Canadian Interfaith Conversation — we are committed to act from “our faith traditions and sacred texts ... to consider the spiritual dimensions of the crisis of ocean and climate change; to take stock of our collective behaviour; to transform cultures of consumerism and waste into cultures of sustainability; and to respect the balance between economic activity and environmental stewardship.” (Canadian Interfaith Call for Leadership and Action on Climate Change, 2011)

**We encourage each other to act.** We invite individuals, parishes, congregations, dioceses and synods to increase their “stewardship of creation” through green audits, greening strategies and practices that show how much “creation matters.”

**We pray.** Good Friday reminds us that we have a Saviour who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses and the suffering of creation. Easter Sunday reminds us that we are witnesses of all God does for us, and that we begin each day forgiven and free.

On this Earth Day, our hope is that we will rise up more conscious than ever of our first vocation as human beings caring for the Earth with the utmost respect for the Creator and the utmost regard for the generations of all those who come after us.

*From the primal elements  
You brought forth the human race,  
And blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;  
You made us the stewards of creation.  
Glory to you for ever and ever.*