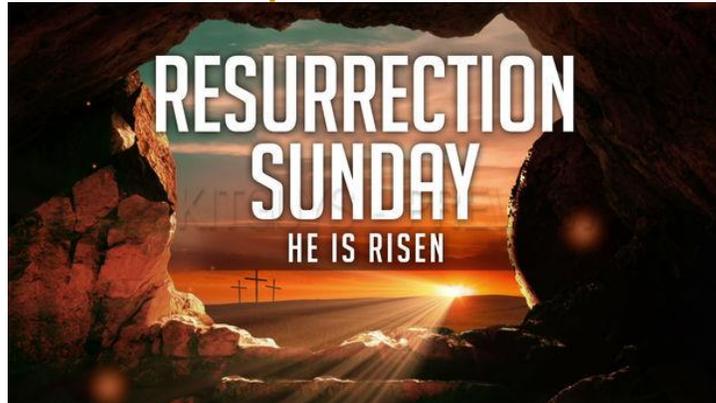


# THE PARISH OF LONG POINT BAY



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## The Sunday of Resurrection – Easter Day April 17<sup>th</sup> 2022



### **Opening**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

May his grace and peace be with you.

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

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.**

### **Sentence**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

*1 Corinthians 5.7–*

### **Collect**

Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever.

### **Readings**

ACTS 10:34-43 OR ISAIAH 65:17-25;

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24;

1 CORINTHIANS 15:19-26 OR ACTS 10:34-43;

JOHN 20:1-18 OR LUKE 24:1-12

What does the Resurrection mean to you? Your answer, and mine, will probably be based on what we think Jesus' life, teaching and death was all about.

I want to share by own and reflect on what Resurrection means for me.

Jesus is for me the living incarnation of God, to see Jesus is to see God, in action, in a human life. Everything that he did, healing, teaching, radical inclusion of women, and care for other marginalized people, shows me that God is a God of unconditional love. Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom of God, the earthly vision of God's **will being done on earth** shows me God's concern for justice for all, peace and non violence. When I look at all this, I see Jesus' death and resurrection as a profound indictment of the human domination systems of this world. The Kingdom of Rome, as Jesus experienced it, has not gone away, but is reflected today in every Government, Warlord, Individual, Corporation or Organization that wages war or maintains unjust control over the many for the benefit of the few. Wherever the rich get richer and the poor get poorer we see the Kingdom of Rome. Jesus died protesting against that very system. I see his Resurrection to be, as the scholar Marcus Borg once said, "God's NO to Rome and YES to Jesus." Today whenever I see a refugee family rescued and settled in Canada, a homeless person offered shelter out of the cold, a migrant worker made to feel welcome, a government that puts the needs of the common person ahead of the needs of the wealthy elite, a church, or organization, or individual who works for justice in this world, I see and experience the Resurrection. Christ is alive and continues to shape the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Love.

Jesus is also for me a fully human being who, while one with God, did not hesitate to be obedient to his deep vocation even to the point of dying. Jesus' obedience unto death, is a model of obedience, "*Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet not what I want, but what you want.*" Mk 13.36 I don't read this as God sending Jesus to death, but Jesus deciding that standing firm for the Kingdom of Love was his truest vocation, and being obedient to that calling, even unto death. Jesus died on a cruel cross, and God too suffered and dies with Jesus experiencing fully our human condition. Jesus didn't suffer for us, he suffered with us. Now, for us, the cross is a symbol of God's love in complete oneness with us. The Suffering but Resurrected Christ walks with all those today who are in fear, those who are dying, those in grief, wherever suffering is found in the human condition God is there and the potential for Resurrection is also there. God is all compassionate, and knows our needs and suffering.

Today there is great suffering in this world with war and pandemic, however Easter teaches us that God is also here in this world. The Resurrected Christ works in wartime through the dedicated efforts of so many to bring an end to hostilities, and comfort and relief to the victims and refugees. The Resurrected Christ works through the pandemic to bring knowledge to scientists, compassion to caring workers, wisdom to politicians, strength to clergy, comfort to the bereaved and so much more.

Finally, the Resurrection for me is the potential to realize that God loves me so unconditionally that, if I too take up my Cross of transformation, I could live into God's dream for me. Day by day, trying to be obedient to the Spirit's voice in my life. In this way to grow, day by day, (*give me this day my daily bread*) into what the baptismal liturgy calls, the full stature of Christ. A daunting thought. But if we have died with Christ, we can live a Resurrected life with Christ. And God is not finished with me or any of us, if we allow, "*the Spirit working in us to do more than we can ask or imagine.*"

This is not, I confess, a complete or systematic account of the Resurrection, but is rather my attempt to share, with myself and with you, what the Spirit has given me on this strange and wonderful Easter Sunday.

With prayers for peace and safely,

Archdeacon Rick Jones

**Prayers for Easter Sunday 2022** submitted by Dorothy Koorn

*Adapted in part from Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

O Risen Lord. so many people are in pain.

Teach us the way to peace.

When those around us don't agree and think differently,

Teach us to listen and try to understand.

When we see others getting hurt,

Teach us to speak up.

When we see others treated poorly because of their skin color, or language, or religious belief,

Teach us to be an example of love and acceptance.

When we see war and conflict,

Teach us how to make a difference and seek peace.

When we see pain,

Teach us to bring healing,

When we feel confused and afraid,

Remind us to talk to you, our friends, and our family.

In our lives, our neighbourhoods, and the world,

Teach us to pray and teach us the way of peace.

O Risen Lord, we pray for the victims of genocide, war, and unrest in our world,

Bring healing and peace to all.

We pray for the victims of recent natural disasters.

Help them start anew.

O Risen Lord, we pray for Todd, our Bishop Anne our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Mark National Indigenous Archbishop, Marinez Bishop of Amazonia, AD Rick Jones, Rev Enrique Martinez, and Rev Jack Cox.

We also pray for those who have asked for our prayers Betty F., Don G., Franz and Elaine Z., Steven K., Rebecca M., Trista P., Bill MC., Dwayne M. and Andrea B., Susan A., Olivia H., Karen M., Dale F, Rose G, Julie, Carol M., George F., Carol H., Bud W. Juanita K. Mary B., Sabrina S, Colin C. his father Michael, Pat A. and all their families, and anyone you know needs your prayers

For the week beginning Sunday 17 April 2022, we will be praying for the **Rev. Rob Park**, the **Rev. John Ogilvie**, the **Rev. Margaret Shortell** and the people of **St. Mark's, Brantford**.

Also our shut-ins at home or nursing homes June, Shirley & John, Julie, Sheila, Sylvia, Anna and Jack B.

It is important that we keep the prayer list and shut-in list up to date. If you know of any changes to these lists, can you please email Anne at [lpbparishsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:lpbparishsecretary@gmail.com) or Enrique at [enrique6921@gmail.com](mailto:enrique6921@gmail.com)

If you know of anyone that has asked you to pray for them let us know and we will add to the list

### **Prayer of Confession**

Search us O God and know our hearts today  
Try us and know our anxious thoughts,  
see if there are any hurtful ways in us  
and lead us in your loving and life-giving Way

### **Words of Assurance**

God knows our secret fears, ignorance & selfish ways.  
God forgives, forgive yourself, forgive others  
Amen

### **Closing Prayer**

Send down your abundant blessing, Lord, upon your people who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection. Grant them pardon; bring them comfort. May their faith grow stronger and their eternal salvation be assured. We ask this through Christ our Lord

**Please click on the link to watch this week's Parish Video**

<https://youtu.be/-gZxC6xypmo>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Today - The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day St John's Port Rowan 10 a.m. and St John's Woodhouse 11:30 a.m.



There will be a Roast beef Dinner  
Sat April 30th 5-7pm  
St. John's Anglican Church, Woodhouse  
\$18

Drive-through dinner

Roast pork, gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetable, coleslaw, dinner roll, dessert included.

Pre order only

Call Sharon to reserve dinner and pick up time 519-426-4461

### Bi-Weekly newspaper

Any good movies you've seen or books you have read. A delicious recipe you want to us all to **enjoy. Do you have memories you want to share? Please send them to Rev. Enrique or myself and** we can include in the newspaper.

Any birthdays/anniversaries/special occasions in April/May— Let me know for the newspaper. We can celebrate I don't need your year of birth, just the month and date. Of course, if you have a special age birthday and want to celebrate it just let me know. If you are interested in this special occasion section, please send me details.

## Sing along to this mornings Hymns

### Hymn Texts: Easter Sunday 2022

#### **203 – Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, alleluia!  
Who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!  
Unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's king, alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

#### **207 – At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**

1. At the Lamb's high feast, we sing praise to our victorious King,  
Who hath washed us in this tide flowing from his pierced side;  
Praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,  
Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
2. Where the pascal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love, eat we manna from above.
3. Mighty victim from on high, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
Death is broken in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light.  
Now no more can death appal, now no more the grave enthrall!  
Thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
4. This, our gift of Easter joy, sin alone can now destroy;  
From sin's power do thou set free souls newborn, O Lord, in thee.  
Hymns of glory and or praise, Father, unto thee we raise;  
Risen Lord, all praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**At this extraordinary time if you wish a telephone visit, please call Enrique. If you have any other announcements or news contact Anne Halls at the contacts below.**

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