

May 16, 2021
at 10:00 a.m.

Worship Booklet

Seventh Sunday of Easter
A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Livestream at

[facebook.com/saintalbens](https://www.facebook.com/saintalbens)

or ***YouTube***

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Welcome/Bienvenue

Welcome to St. Albans 10am Morning Worship Livestream!

Our service is livestreamed on www.facebook.com/saintalbans, or at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdwV9f01mc4ymXD16YdNUBA>.

We welcome your full participation this morning: Please let us know you are with us by 'liking' the stream or sharing some comments!

Coffee Time on Zoom

Pour yourself a mug of joe and join us after the service:

<https://zoom.us/j/99559252904?pwd=ZDRRWmprZG5xY3BqSWxlOTBsOSt0UT09>

If prompted for a meeting ID or password, here is what you need:

Meeting ID: 995 5925 2904, **Passcode:** 761951,

Dial in: 1 647 558 0588

Online Prayer Room

Following St. Albans Sunday morning worship, join Anna at 11am for individual prayer. Visit the Zoom prayer room at

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73362070549?pwd=YW9PK250MENsOHA3eDFjZFhqN2RyUT09>

Donations

If you would like to make an offering to support St. Albans financially, you can donate by: E-transfer to donate@stalbanschurch.ca (use 'StAlbans' as the answer to the security question); or Credit card, at www.stalbanschurch.ca/connect/donations (via CanadaHelps).

To receive an electronic tax receipt, please include your email, name, and address. Thank you!

Land Acknowledgement

*St. Albans gathers on the unceded territory
of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.*

Greeting

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.

How Great Thou Art | *Stuart Hine (new lyrics by Kevin Garcia)*

Oh Lord, my God

When I, in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul my Savior to God to thee

How great thou art

How great thou art

(repeat)

When justice comes with shouts of acclamation

And take us home what joy shall fill my heart

We all will stand in humble adoration

As God proclaims my love how great thou art

Then sings my soul my Savior to God to thee

How great thou art

How great thou art

(repeat)

The Opening Prayer

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.

Let us pray.

We pray silently

Holy God,
send your promised Spirit of revelation and wisdom,
so that, in the blessed freedom of hope,
we may witness to the grace of forgiveness
and sing with joy to the One who makes us one. Amen.

We Proclaim the Word

Each Sunday we read several sections of the Bible, typically from the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament and the Gospel. These same readings will be proclaimed to over a billion Christians around the world today.

The First Reading – Acts 1.15-17, 21-26

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and on this law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright
when judgement comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Second Reading: 1 John 5.9-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

How Long Until These Tears Are Gone / All Things Must Pass

Young Oceans, George Harrison

Flood this heart with assurance of Your mercy
Fill this mind with knowledge of Your love
Hold me fast through the deep and steady current
How long, how long 'till these tears are gone?

Every hour, awake me to Your presence
Shine Your light, brighter than the dawn
Send Your joy, illuminate the darkness
How long, how long 'till these tears are gone?
How long, how long 'till these tears are gone?

I'll fix my eyes on eternity above
Where every lie, is uncovered by Your love
I'll fix my eyes on eternity above
Where every lie, every shadow is uncovered by Your love

Lord You hear, the pleading of creation
I search for You, hide not Your face
Here I drift, a shell among the ruins

How long, how long 'till these tears are gone?
How long, how long 'till these tears are gone?

Sunrise doesn't last all morning
A cloudburst doesn't last all day
Seems my love is up
And has left you with no warning
But it's not always going
To be this grey

All things must pass
All things must pass away

The Gospel: John 17.6-19

Le Seigneur soit avec vous. The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel is proclaimed

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon – *Mark Whittall*

Open Space

This is a time for us to respond in our own way to what we have heard and to prepare for the prayers that follow. Please feel free to comment with any reflections, discuss with anyone in your home, or simply rest in what was shared. If you would like to offer prayers as part of our prayers of the people, please use the comments to do so.

Hear, O People

Hear, O People,
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment.
The second is like it:
Love your neighbour as yourself.
There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers of the People

The Peace

In the sharing of the Peace we celebrate our reconciliation with God and extend the gift of peace to one other (Matt 5:23-24). We are also reminded that it is in meeting others that we meet Christ.

La paix du Seigneur soit toujours avec vous

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Share a sign of peace online or in your home.

We Celebrate the Eucharist

Offering

All that we have is a gift from God. You may make an offering to support the work of St. Albans Church by e-transfer to donate@stalbanschurch.ca or by credit card using Paypal or Canada Helps at www.stalbanschurch.ca/contact/donations now (or at any time). If you would like a receipt, please provide your postal address and email.

What A Wonderful World, Be Thou My Vision

Robert Thiele / George David Weiss / St. Dallán Forgail

I see trees of green

Red roses too

I see them bloom

For me and you

And I think to myself

What a wonderful world

I see skies of blue

And clouds of white

The bright blessed day

The dark sacred night

And I think to myself

What a wonderful world

The colors of the rainbow

So pretty in the sky

Are also on the faces

Of people going by
I see friends shaking hands
Saying how do you do
They're really saying
I love you

I hear babies cry
I watch them grow
They'll learn much more
Than I'll ever know
And I think to myself
What a wonderful world

Yes, I think to myself
What a wonderful world

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
Born of thy love, thy child may I be,
thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.

One God creating, thy presence in all
may I feel your joy, thy love overcome!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Giver of all.

Prayer over the Gifts

Source of all joy,
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Keep us in the love of Christ
and bring us to the vision of his glory;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Que Dieu soit avec vous. May God be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise ...

... to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and Earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in the highest,

Hosanna in the highest,

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

[Holy, Holy...]

Holy God, source of life and goodness ...

... we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Recalling his death ... now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.
Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.
Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

Dear friends, wherever you may be, receive Christ; in communion with the saints and the gathering of God's people, unseen yet present with us now.

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls, and our strength; with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you. Amen.

Peace On Earth | U2

Heaven on Earth
We need it now
I'm sick of all of this
Hanging around
Sick of sorrow, sick of pain
Sick of hearing again and again
That there's gonna be
Peace on Earth

Where I grew up
There weren't many trees
Where there was we'd tear them down
And use them on our enemies
They say that what you mock
Will surely overtake you
And you become a monster
So the monster will not break you

It's already gone too far
Who said that if you go in hard
You won't get hurt

Jesus could you take the time
To throw a drowning man a line
Peace on Earth
Tell the ones who hear no sound
Whose children are buried in the ground
Peace on Earth
No whos or whys
No-one cries like a mother cries
For peace on Earth
She never got to say goodbye
To see the colour in his eyes
Now he's in the dirt
Peace on Earth

They're reading names out over the radio
All the folks the rest of us won't get to know
Amhaid and Anthony, George and Breonna
Their lives are bigger than any big idea

Jesus can you take the time
To throw a drowning man a line
Peace on Earth
To tell the ones who hear no sound
Whose sons are living in the ground
Peace on Earth

Peace on Earth (x3)

We Are Sent

Let us pray.

We pray silently.

Eternal God,
**may we who share Christ's banquet
be one with him as he is one with you.**
**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
the risen and ascended Lord. Amen.**

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.**

Community Announcements

Blessing

Open Up/Lord, I Need You

David Gungor, Jon Arndt, Matt Maher

May your love cause us to open up
Cause us to open up our hearts
May your light cause us to shine so bright
That we bring hope into the dark

Hope for the hopeless, your love is
Strength in our weakness, your love is
May we love, as you love

Lord we need you
Oh how we need you
Every hour we need you
Our one defense our righteousness
Oh God how we need you

Sending

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

Coffee Time on Zoom

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[https://zoom.us/j/99559252904?pwd=ZDRRWmprZG5xY3BqSWxIO
TBsOStOUT09](https://zoom.us/j/99559252904?pwd=ZDRRWmprZG5xY3BqSWxIO
TBsOStOUT09) | Meeting ID: 995 5925 2904, Passcode: 761951,
Dial in: 1 647 558 0588

Vaccination Help from Pastoral Care Team

When your turn comes, please go get vaccinated. If you are having trouble booking an appointment, dealing with the online system, or finding transportation, please contact Mark or any of our Pastoral Care Team. And as always, if you are feeling down or worried or you just want to chat, don't hesitate to reach out to Mark or any team member:

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Thanks to the members of our pastoral care team, and please don't hesitate to contact us.

Givings Update to April 30, 2021

Our donations to St. Albans Church this year to **April 30** (33 percent of the year) are \$47,994, or 26 percent of our 2021 Budget of \$185,000. Thank you for your generosity. This is down 5 percent from the same period in 2020. If you would like to make a [donation to St. Albans Church](#) or sign up for monthly preauthorized donations, you can do so at stalbanschurch.ca/contact/donations.

2021 Spring Bike Ride

In the spirit of "hope, adventure and promise," our first St. Albans bike ride for the 2021 season is being planned for **May 29 at 10am**. We'll gather at St. Albans and lunch at a designated park so others can join in, then return to the church. The event will respect all public health regulations related to Covid-19. Sign up for the bike ride or sign up lunch, by emailing Mary-Martha at mmhale65@gmail.com or Haig McCarrell at haig.mccarrell@gmail.com.

stalbanschurch.ca/community

Visit stalbanschurch.ca/community to find schedules, booklets, and Zoom links for St. Albans worship and mid-week gatherings.

St. Alban's Worship

St. Albans worships via Livestream every Sunday, with a 10am morning service at www.facebook.com/saintalbans.

We also have a French-language service every Sunday at 12h00 at www.facebook.com/CommunauteStBernard.

To participate in our mid-week activities – morning and evening prayer, bible study, coffee hours, yoga and more – please email rev.mark@stalbanschurch.ca to get connected.

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