

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it. Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him.

Luke 24 v 30



St Leonard's

Third Sunday of Easter 23rd April 2023

Words of Welcome

The Easter acclamation

We meet in Christ name: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

This is the day that the Lord has made Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Hymn SPEAK, O LORD, AS WE COME TO YOU

To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Prayer of Confession

Risen Lord your death and resurrection remind us that God is love and that we are set free from sin, therefore, as the redeemed of Lord, let us confess our sins in penitence and with faith in the power of God's great love.

Lord we confess to you and to our fellow members in the body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do.

We are truly sorry.

Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil. For the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our risen Lord.

Amen.

The Collect

Lord God you made yourself known to your disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see the glory of your redeeming work, for you are our risen and exalted Lord, One God with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen

Hymn ALL HEAVEN DECLARES the glory of the risen Lord.

Who can compare with the beauty of the Lord? Forever He will be the Lamb upon the throne. I gladly bow the knee and worship Him alone.

I will proclaim the glory of the risen Lord, Who once was slain to reconcile man to God. Forever You will be the Lamb upon the throne. I gladly bow the knee and worship You alone.

Reading from 1 Peter 1.17-25

Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

For, 'All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord endures for ever.'

Hymn LOW IN THE GRAVE HE LAY,

Jesus, my Saviour, Waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord:

Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes;
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives for ever with His saints to reign:
He arose! He arose!
Alleluia! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus, my Saviour; Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus, my Lord:

Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus, my Saviour; He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord:

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Alleluia, hear the Good News of our risen Lord Glory to Christ our Saviour, hallelujah

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.

As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognising him. He asked them, 'What are you discussing together as you walk along?'

They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, 'Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened in these days?' 'What things?' he asked.

'About Jesus of Nazareth,' they replied. 'He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.'

He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. But they urged him strongly, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?'

They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, 'It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

At end: give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel **Praise to Christ our Lord. Alleluia**

Sermon

Song OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, We want to see Jesus,

To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Intercessions

The Peace

As the risen Lord appeared to his disciples and said, Peace be with you. May the peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us share his peace

Hymn JESUS, STAND AMONG US at the meeting of our lives;

Be our sweet agreement at the meeting of our eyes.

O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here;

Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.

So to You we're gathering out of each and every land; Christ the love between us at the joining of our hands. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here; Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear. Jesus, stand among us at the breaking of the bread; Join us as one body as we worship You, our Head. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here; Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.

Offering

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you,
Author of all being.
Your power sustains,
your love restores, our broken world.
You are unceasingly at work
from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope, He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY IS THE LORD, Holy is the Lord God Almighty. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, Holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishers on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence, and of new birth in the Spirit

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: 'Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.'

We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, they may be to us the body and blood of your redeeming love, and that we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us so we pray

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 trespasses 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.

Distribution of Communion

Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing at this time.

Prayer after Communion

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious and his mercy endures for ever

Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always with your living bread that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Hymn THINE BE THE GLORY, risen, conquering Son;

Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

> Thine be the glory, Risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb! Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is naught without Thee: aid us in our strife; Make us more than conquerors, through Thy deathless love; Lead us in Thy triumph to Thy home above.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

Please do join with us for a time of fellowship and some light refreshments served in the hall

Happy Easter from the Raichevs and other Ukrainian Families

The Raichevs continue to live happily in Croft Street, Dalkeith very near King's Park where the children attend school. Tetiana works as a cleaner 3 days a week in the Holiday Inn, Corstorphine, where the family initially stayed. She continues to attend English classes in Edinburgh. Hennadii's English and his medical condition limits where he can work but he is being helped with his English by Kathleen Donald. Misha attends football training with Bonnyrigg Rose and Alina continues her usual happy smiling way in life. Needless to say, they are very grateful for all the support from our churches.

Tetiana's sister and niece, Alla and Nastya, managed to find a host in Abbey Road, Dalkeith and they moved there in early March. Sadly both have injuries to their shoulder and elbow respectively and are "one handed" which limits their ability to find work. Nastya attends Dalkeith High School. Alla is keen to go to church and I pick her up on Sundays.

We have quite a Ukrainian group now at St. Leonard's as we have Nadja (Pauline Jones' Ukrainian guest's mother who stays with Alison Bruce), as well as Katya our new keyboard player, her daughter and grandson. Katya is classically trained and gives wonderful renditions on both electric piano and organ. We are extremely glad the latter is being played as our last organist left and we thought our organ would never be used again. Our thanks to Derek Law for introducing Katya to the Organ.

The Ukrainian Fund

We are grateful to everyone who has and those who continue to make donations to our Ukrainian Fund. A number of factors have helped keep the fund in a healthy condition including a substantially housing rebate which means that in effect we only now contribute to half of the rental cost of the Raichevs' Flat. We now propose to use this fund to act as guarantor for other Ukrainian families that are connected with our churches as they begin to move out from their initial host families into life in our communities. We continue to pray for peace for Ukraine and the day when they can begin to rebuild their country. When that day comes and we are no longer as a church financially supporting our Ukrainian friends any money left in the fund will be donated to a Ukrainian relief fund. Again we thank you for your support past and present to this fund and will understand if anyone needs of feels the time is right to withdraw their support from the fund.

BOOK CLUB

CONCLAVE by ROBERT HARRIS



The Pope has died and the Cardinals in Rome must elect another Pope. The politics, scandals, back stories and pageantry of the Vatican process are brought to life in this wonderfully researched book by Harris.

It reads and feels like you are with the 118 cardinals as they bicker, backstab, bribe and negotiate to get their preferred candidate elected. The hierarchy, formal proceedings,

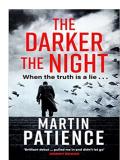
geography and minutiae of life around the Sistine Chapel are wonderfully detailed and a real education into the workings of the Catholic Church.

This was a real page-turner and highly recommended with a marvellous twist at the end.

Our next book is:

The Darker Night by Martin Patience

and is about Scottish Independence. (Who says we aren't with the times?) We shall be discussing this on May 19th.



Vicki Clark

Bishop's Lent Appeal 2023

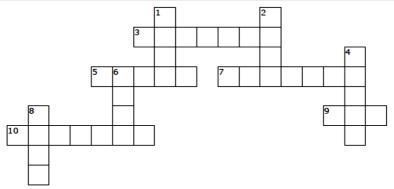
There is still time to make a donation to this years Bishop's Lent Appeal. Donation can be placed in an enveloped and marked Lent Appeal and then placed in our offering bowl.

For those with Lent Boxes we give a gentle reminder asking you to return them before the end of April please.

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ACROSS

- To put to death on a cross
- The Old Testament man who received the Ten Commandments from God
- 7. A person who visits
- 9. A period of twenty four hours
- Carrying on a conversation with someone

DOWN

- 1. Not false
- 2. The organ which makes people able to see
- A food made from flour and water, mixed together and baked
- 6. Not closed
- 8. To travel on foot



*** Coronation Events ***

You are welcome to come and join with us as we celebrate the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla

Saturday 6th May 2 – 4pm Coffee & Cake at St Mary's,

(please note there will be no Coffee @ Marys that morning)

Sunday 7th May Fellowship Lunch 12 Noon at St Leonard's

donations of savoury and sweet items are welcome, please see sign up sheet for more details

"The King of Kings invites you to his table as we celebrate the Coronation."

Curry Night with the Lads



Friday 19th May 7pm at Itihaas Dalkeith The preferred curry night vote came in for Friday 19th May so please confirm your booking with Alison or Fiona. There is still time to sign up for any lads who are able to come and join us on the Friday Feast. Just let us know.

Ladies Afternoon Tea

at Dalhousie Castle on either 13th / 20th May

We invite the ladies and friends of both churches to our next Social Event afternoon tea at Dalhousie Castle. Sign up sheet and date preference are available at the welcome desk for you to indicate your preferred day. Afternoon Tea is



a beautiful selection of sandwiches, scones and cakes and of course a nice pot of tea or coffee. Again if you are interested please speak to Alison or Fiona for more information.





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