

St. John's Anglican Church, Ida
Parish of Ida and Omemee

Easter Sunday

April 5th, 2026

Happy Easter to you and those you love.

*We are delighted that you have joined us for worship today,
and we want you to feel at home.*

*We hope you will participate fully in the service and stay for
a time of refreshments and visiting following worship.*

*Children are welcome to remain with their families or attend
a program for part of the service.*

*At any time, please adopt a physical position that is
comfortable for you, regardless of the instructions in this
leaflet.*

The Gathering of the Community

*Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us
keep the feast. (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)*

Opening Hymn CP203 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

**Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**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!**

**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!**

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.

The Gloria

All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,

and peace to his people, his people on earth.

We praise you, we bless you,

we give you our worship,

and for your great glory we sing out our thanks.

O Lord, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty,

Lord Jesus the Christ and the Father's dear Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, only Son of the Father

have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us.

Lord, you take away all the sin of the world,

hear our prayer from your place

at the Father's right hand.

Have mercy upon us; you only are holy

and you, you alone, are our Lord and our God.

Lord Christ, Holy Spirit and Father Almighty,

Most High and most glorious, we give you our praise.

All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,

and peace to his people, his people on earth.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray:

O God of the living,

you made the tomb of death

the womb from which you bring forth your Son,

the first-born of a new creation:

make us joyful witnesses to this good news,

so that all humanity may one day gather

at the feast of new life in that kingdom

where you reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Anthem *We Have Seen the Risen Lord*

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah (31:1-6)

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they will be my people. This is what the LORD says:

“The people who survive the sword

will find favour in the wilderness;

I will come to give rest to Israel.”

The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying:

“I have loved you with an everlasting love;

I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.

I will build you up again,

and you, Virgin Israel, will be rebuilt.

Again you will take up your timbrels

and go out to dance with the joyful.

Again you will plant vineyards

on the hills of Samaria;

the farmers will plant them

and enjoy their fruit.

There will be a day when watchmen cry out

on the hills of Ephraim,

**'Come, let us go up to Zion,
to the LORD our God.'**

**The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm (118:1,2, 14-24)

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.**

**Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."**

**The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.**

**There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:**

**"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.**

**The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.**

**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

**"This is the gate of the Lord;
he who is righteous may enter."**

**I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.**

**The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

**This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

**On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

The Second Reading

A reading from the Book of Acts (10:34-43)

Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

“We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

The Proclamation of the Gospel

Gospel Hymn CP405 *Alleluia* #1

***Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.***

Jesus is Lord of all the earth; he is the king of creation.

***Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.***

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and is risen.**

***Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.***

**We have been crucified with Christ:
now we shall live forever.**

***Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.***

**Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our saviour.**

***Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.***

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John (20:1-18)

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.

Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

Jesus said to her, "Mary!"

She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).

Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

We sing:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our saviour.**

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

The Sermon

A silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The Congregation stands at the invitation of the Celebrant.

The Apostle's Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived
by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died,
and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

We pray for the world, the church and ourselves, assuming whatever physical position helps us to pray (remain standing, kneel, or sit).

The response to the intercessions will be:
Risen Lord,
hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

A brief silence is kept.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*We greet one another saying, "Peace be with you" or
"The Peace of Christ".*

The Celebration of Holy Communion

An offering plate is not passed among the people during the offertory hymn. Those who wish to contribute to the ministry of the church may leave an offering on the plates at the front or rear of the sanctuary at any time during worship.

If you are visiting with us today, the gift of your presence is offering enough. We are glad you are here.

Offertory Hymn *Come, People of the Risen King*

**Come, people of the risen King,
who delight to bring Him praise.
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing
to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach
to gather children in.**

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice,
Oh, Church of Christ, rejoice.***

**Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight.
For his perfect love will never change,
and His mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days
with the certain hope of peace.**

Refrain

**Come, young and old from ev'ry land,
men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands;
find the riches of His grace.**

**Over all the world His people sing;
shore to shore we hear them call
the Truth that cries through ev'ry age:
“Our God is all in all.”**

***Rejoice! Rejoice!
Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice,
Oh, Church of Christ, rejoice.***

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth.
Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.
Amen.

The 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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, most holy all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessèd, most blessèd, all blessèd is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

We give thanks to you, Holy One,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the World.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
and out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Saviour Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:

this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, O God, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Creator of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable to him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
though Jesus Christ our Saviour
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit;
all honour and glory are yours, almighty God,
now and for ever.

Amen.

A brief silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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 gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

The Communion

Spiritual Communion

For those who are worshipping with us online, we invite you to make your spiritual communion, by inviting Jesus into your heart, saying “Come, Lord Jesus.”

A brief silence is kept.

*This is the table, not merely of the church, but of Christ.
It is made ready for those who love him,
and for those who want to love him more.
So come, whether you have much faith or little;
have tried to follow, or are afraid you've failed.
Come, because it is He who invites us to receive his life.*

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail. If you are not
receiving the bread and wine, please come for a blessing,
indicating this by placing a hand on your heart.*

*After the distribution at the altar rail, communion will be
brought to those who wish to receive it at their seats.*

*Anointing with prayer for healing will be offered during
communion, and prayer for those who wish it
at the back of the sanctuary.*

Communion Hymns

Hymn *Lamb of God*

**Your only Son, no sin to hide,
but You have sent Him from Your side,
to walk upon this guilty sod,
and to become the Lamb of God.**

***O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood
my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.***

Your gift of love, they crucified,
they laughed and scorned Him as He died,
the humble King they named a fraud
and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

*O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood
my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.*

I was so lost, I should have died,
but You have brought me to Your side,
to be led by Your staff and rod,
and to be called a Lamb of God.

Refrain

Hymn *Freely, Freely*

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name;
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share His love as he told me to.

He said:

*"Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give.*

*Go in My name and because you believe
others will know that I live."*

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name,
in earth and heav'n in Jesus' name;
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share His pow'r as he told me to.

He said:

*"Freely, freely you have received;
freely, freely give.*

*Go in My name and because you believe
others will know that I live."*

Hymn *He is Lord*

**He is Lord, He is Lord,
He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Repeat

Hymn *Hallelujah, My Father*

**Hallelujah, my Father,
for giving us Your Son.
Sending Him into the world
to be given up for men,
knowing we would bruise Him
and smite Him from the earth.**

*Hallelujah, my Father,
in His death is my birth.
Hallelujah, my Father,
in His life is my life.*

**Hallelujah, my Father,
for giving us Your Son.
Sending Him into the world
to be given up for men,
knowing we would bruise Him
and smite Him from the earth.**

*Hallelujah, my Father,
in His death is my birth.
Hallelujah, my Father,
in His life is my life.*

Hymn *There is a Redeemer*

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.**

***Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
and leaving Your Spirit 'til
the work on earth is done.***

**Jesus, my Redeemer,
name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
hope for sinners slain.**

Refrain

**When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
and there I'll serve my King forever,
in that holy place.**

Refrain

The Community is Sent Out

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray:
Life-giving God,
**in the mystery of Christ's resurrection
you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life,
and the bread of life to nourish your people.
Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection,
so that we may show your glory to all the world,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *CP206 Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

**Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply: alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave! Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, alleluia!
Following our exalted head, alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, alleluia!**

**Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven, alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be given, alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou. Alleluia!**

The Dismissal

**Alleluia!
Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Spirit,
serve the world God loves.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

OUR LEADERS TODAY

<i>Celebrant & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Canon Susan Spicer
<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Deb Wilson
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