

blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, now and always. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: #210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son  
The Dismissal**

Let us go forth rejoicing, for Love the Lord is on the way.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude: **Christ the Lord is Risen Today** (arr. Wayne L. Wold)

*Please allow the Usher to guide you out, starting from the back pews.*

*Greeter # 1 – Ian MacDonald Greeter # 2- Judy Amos*

*Usher – Denyse Nelson Counters – Helen & John Whidden*

**SERVICES FOR April 18<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am BCP Morning Prayer 10:00 am BAS A Service of the Word

**Cycle of Prayer**

**Please remember in your prayers...**

- The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean along with the parishes of Seaforth, NS.
- All who are in need of God's healing grace: Gloria, Connie, Heidi, Ann Watson, Kathleen, Rob Phillips, Don & Betty Little, Sylvia, Roger Harris, Vange, Tracey, Becca, Kathy, Willie, Annalee, Louisa Patterson, Bill Pearman, Gerry, Bob Best, Jean, Robert, Beth, Jean & Betty, Pam Finlay, Audrey, Danylo Dzwonyk, Tom Fitches, Steve Denino, Tahlia, Sasha, Sylvia, Peter & Broghyn McKee-Patterson.
- For all who have departed this life and are at rest

**Announcements**

**Mark these dates on your calendar**

**Fridays, 10:30-11:15am: Christian Meditation** at the church. All are welcome to this simple practice – instructions are given each week.

*From the Rev. Nicole Uzans: This week, I will hold office hours on Monday, 12:30-2pm. You can always reach me at 902-956-4892 (text or call) and nicole.uzans@gmail.com*

**St. John's Anglican Church**

**Parish of Horton, Wolfville, Nova Scotia**

*We are a welcoming & affirming community to all persons.*

**April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**The Octave Day of Easter**

*Interim Rector: The Rev'd Nicole Uzans, Nicole.uzans@gmail.com*

*Honourary Assistant: The Rev'd Dr. V. Bruce Matthews*

*Wardens: Camille Herbin, 902-670-7593; Jim Nelson, 902-542-9295*

*Director of Music and Organist: Dr. Michelle Boyd m.e.boyd@gmail.com*

**8AM MORNING PRAYER, THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER**

**Collect:** ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only a Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Reader: Val Burtzell Prayers of the People: Patsy Clothier*

*Greeter # 1 - Mary McMillan Greeter # 2 – Rosemary Feener*

*Usher – Beth Turner*

**10AM A SERVICE OF THE WORD**

*Guest Musician: Sarah Tarves*

**The Gathering of the Community**

Prelude: **Now the Green Blade Rises:** (Wayne L. Wold)

**Welcome and Introduction**, followed by the Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**The Collect of the Day:** Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, so that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God, the Source of all life.

**Opening Hymn:**

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

**Collect for Purity**

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.

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

**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.**

Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### **The Proclamation of the Word,**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 4:32-35, John Whidden

Psalm 133 Led by John Whidden

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is, for brethren to dwell together in unity!

**It is like the precious oil upon the head, that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.**

Like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Sion.

**For there the LORD promised his blessing, and life for evermore.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2, Ron Stuart

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31, Ron Stuart

Sermon - *The Rev'd Dr. V. Bruce Matthews*

Affirmation of Faith – Hear, O Israel

**Hear, O Israel, 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: Kimberly Matheson

#### A Prayer in a Time of Pandemic:

Loving God, whose peace passes all our understanding; as we face this present pandemic, and experience fear and anxiety, may we hear your voice, bringing calm to the storms of our time. Strengthen those who work to limit the spread of infection, and those who seek to care for the sick, and keep us mindful of those most vulnerable. May we shape our living to protect one another, and may our changing habits, practices and sacrifices, be for the greater love of our community and all your people. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer: Let us gather our prayers in the words that Jesus taught us:

**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 trespass 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.**

Musical Selection: **Now the Green Blade Rises** (*arr. Alan Bullard*)

Soloist: Sarah Tarves

*The offering is brought forward. We say together the Prayer Over the Gifts:*  
**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 have we given you.**

Doxology: **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.**

A Blessing from the Franciscan Community: Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind, and the

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