



# **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

## **Mother's Day, Copper Sunday, Battle of the Atlantic**

We are delighted that you are with us for worship today. If you are new to the Cathedral and would like to be contacted, please fill out the blue and white card in the pew. You may place it on the Offertory plate or give it to either of the clergy.

Every person who is baptized is invited to the Lord's Table to receive Holy Communion with us. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please ask at the altar rail. We also ask that you refrain from dipping your wafers into the wine. All people are welcome to come to the altar at the time of communion for a prayer of blessing; please cross your arms to indicate this.

**Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Peter Case**

**Preacher: The Very Rev. Donald Davidson**

### **The Collect of the Day**

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

**A Reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles 9:36-43**

**Maxine Clarke**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

**Reader: The word of the Lord**

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd / therefore can I lack nothing.

<sup>2</sup>He shall feed me in a green pasture / and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

<sup>3</sup>He shall restore my soul / and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil / for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me / thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

<sup>6</sup>Surely thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life / and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**A Reading from the Book of the Revelation 7:9-17**

**Maxine Clarke**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these,

robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**Reader: The Word of the Lord**

**People: Thanks be to God**

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

**The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

**Gospeller** The Gospel of Christ

**People** Praise be to Thee, O Christ

**The Sermon**

**Dean Don Davidson**

**Readings for Sunday, May 19, Fifth Sunday of Easter:  
Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35**

**Thank you to those assisting in today's service:**

**Reader:** Maxine Clarke

**Greeters:** Lynn Wilson

**Server:** Neil-Henry Clarke

**St. George's Dean and Rector:**

The Very Reverend Don Davidson

**Dean's Warden:**

Harold Redekopp

**People's Warden:** Tony Ashworth

**Deputy Warden:**

Laurel Dempsey

**Verger:** Jane Kirkpatrick

**Music Director:**

Michael Capon

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Assistive Listening Devices (ALDs)** are available.

Please ask the sidespeople if you would like to use one. Look for the red lanyards.

**A very happy 62<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary** to Canon Alex and Pat Wakeling on May 10!

**The Flower Guild** members would like to express their sincere thanks to the parishioners who generously gave Easter memorials. We appreciate your support very much.

**From The Norman Family:** A note of thanks and gratitude for all the kind thoughts and prayers during a difficult time.

**TODAY: The St. George's Cathedral Children's Choir**, directed by Michael Capon, and the Youth Choir, directed by Emma Drinnan, will present an afternoon high tea and concert at **3:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Great Hall. Admission is free, with a voluntary offering collected.

**Congratulations** to Bassel Haskour and to the Nasseh Family (Simon, Daad, Gabriel and Sandra) who have marked their first anniversaries in Canada; Bassel in February and the Nassehs this past week. All are invited to celebrate with them after the 10:30 service on **May 26**, with cake on the church lawn, weather permitting.

**The third and final session** for Agnostic Explorations will take place on **Wednesday, May 22** in the library at **7:30 pm**. The article for discussion will be, "Shoring up the Pillars of Hope, a conversation with Hugh Segal." Copies are available at the cathedral or on line.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont'd)**

**Women's Fellowship:** Please join us on **Thursday, May 16** at **5 pm** for Women's Fellowship. Please bring a dish for the meal - appetizer, main course or dessert. This will be an "open evening" without a speaker. Hope to see you there.

**The Projects Group** has organized a September 18/19 trip to Stratford for *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and St. Jacobs for the market. The cost is \$300.00 per person, based on double occupancy and includes transportation, theatre ticket, dinner on September 18 and hotel room with hot breakfast. Cash or cheque only. A tax-deductible receipt for \$60.00 will be issued. Tickets are available in the church office, or by contacting Eleanor Rogers at [eleanorrogers@sympatico.ca](mailto:eleanorrogers@sympatico.ca).

**St. George's Cathedral Summer Concerts** begin on **Thursday, June 6** from 12:15 pm to 12:50 pm with a performance by the SHHH!! Ensemble (Percussionist Zac Pulak and Pianist Edana Higham) visiting from Ottawa. The concert will include music adapted or commissioned by them by J.S. Bach, Julian Bertino-Parotias, and Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. The concerts continue every Thursday through August 29. Admission is free, with a freewill offering collected. For more information, call 613-548-4617 or visit [www.stgeorgescathedral.ca](http://www.stgeorgescathedral.ca) or [www.facebook.com/StGeorgeConcerts](http://www.facebook.com/StGeorgeConcerts). Join us for a mid-day musical interlude!

## **This Week at the Cathedral**

### **Monday, May 13**

**7:00** Projects Group meeting, in the Library

### **Tuesday, May 14**

**7:30** Caritas, in the Lady Chapel

**4:30** Trustees' meeting, in the Library

### **Wednesday, May 15**

**12:15** Eucharist, in the Lady Chapel

### **Thursday, May 16**

**10:30** Healing Eucharist, in the Lady Chapel

**11:15** Bible Study, in the Library

**2:00** IWC meeting, in the Library

**5:00** Women's Fellowship, in the Library

### **Friday, May 17**

**12:00** Coventry Litany of Reconciliation, Cathedral steps

**5:30** Youth Group, Great Hall

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