

# Welcome to St. Paul's!

*Changing our corner of the world with good news*



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of  
Easter  
April 27<sup>th</sup> 2025

## Holy Communion at 8:30am

Book of Alternative Services BAS (green book) pg. 230

Presiding The Rev. Ted Guthrie+

Lay Reader Dave Bell Warden Alex Joseph

## Sung Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

Book of Alternative Services BAS (green book)

Common Praise CP (large blue hymnal)

Sing a New Creation SNC (small blue hymnal)

Presiding & Preaching The Rev. Ted Guthrie+

Rector The Rev. Lynn Mitchell+

Music Director Malcolm Gillis

Lay Reader Dave Bell Warden Alex Joseph

# The Gathering of the Community

## Acknowledgement of Territory

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!**

**Opening Hymn** CP#206 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

## The Gloria

Glory be to God in heaven,

Peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth.

We exalt you, we adore you,

we lift high our thanks and praise.

Saints and angels bow before you,

here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever,

Lamb of God, and Lord of love;

Son of God, and gracious Saviour,

you have come from heav'n above.

On the cross you died to save us;

now you live at God's right hand.

Hear our prayer, restore, forgive us;

in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you,

Lord alone, to you we call.

Holy One in faith we name you; God most high, yet near to all.

Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,

in the Father's splendour bright.

For the peace that we inherit,

glory be to God on high.

## The Collect of the Day

God of life and power,  
**through the mighty resurrection of your Son,**  
**you have overcome the old order of sin and death**  
**and have made all things new in him.**  
May we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
reign with him in glory,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.

## The Proclamation of the Word

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Acts 5: 27 – 32 *Read by Julie Case*

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** 150

**1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord in the holy temple; \***  
**praise God in the firmament of divine power.**  
**2 Praise the Lord for mighty acts; \***  
**praise God for excellent greatness.**

**3** Praise the Lord with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
**praise God with lyre and harp.**  
**4** Praise the Lord with timbrel and dance; \*  
**praise God with strings and pipe.**  
**5** Praise the Lord with resounding cymbals; \*  
**praise God with loud-clanging cymbals.**  
**6** Let everything that has breath \*  
**praise the Lord.**  
**Hallelujah!**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Revelation 1: 4 – 8

*Read by Fred Bowen*

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia:  
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is  
to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,  
<sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the  
dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.  
To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,  
<sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and  
Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.  
<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds;  
every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him;  
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.  
So it is to be. Amen.  
<sup>8</sup>'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and  
who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Hear what the Spirit is saying!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel Hymn** CP#405 *Alleluia*

**The Gospel**  
John 20: 19 - 31

@ 8:30am

The Lord be with you.

**And with Thy Spirit.**

The Holy Gospel .....

**Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

@10:00am

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel .....

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of Christ.

@ 8:30am

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

@ 10:00am

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## The Homily

### The Prayers of the People

We pray for Scott, Lorna, Gert, Lynda, Thelma, Fred,  
Bob & Eleanor, Shelagh, Jen, Tootsie, Scott, Rob, Ruth, Marion F.,  
Sandra, Fred D., Shirley, Susan, Roger, Aaron, Jane, Karen,  
Glenda, Ian, Elizabeth, Judy, Ken, Gwen, Marjorie, Peter K.,  
Norma, Beth, Marie, Ron, Tom, Penny, Joanie and Ann.

We pray for those known to us alone, and those known  
only to God.

### The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn CP#223 *Christ is Risen*

### Prayer Over the Gifts

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*From the Anglican Church of South Africa*

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 right to praise you, Lord of all creation; in your love, you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children,  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

**Christ put an end to death, revealed the resurrection, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ made us your own people.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends, Jesus took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it, and gave it to them saying; "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

**We do this in memory of Jesus; his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the sup of wine, Jesus gave you thanks, and said:

"Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me."

**We do this in remembrance of Jesus; his blood is shed for all.**

On the day Jesus rose from the tomb, he walked and talked with his disciples on the road to Emmaus, but they were kept from recognizing him; as he shared supper in their home, he again took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, as Jesus revealed himself to them in the breaking of the bread, and they recognized him.

**We do this in remembrance of Jesus;  
his risen life revealed in the breaking of the bread.**

So we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

As we proclaim his death, and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit, that this bread and this wine may be to us  
the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink this holy food, send your Spirit upon us,  
and make us one in Christ, our Risen Lord. Alleluia!**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise,  
and lift our voice to the eternal song of heaven.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

CP#744

**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.

**Agnus Dei/Lamb of God**

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer, redeemer of the world,

give us your peace, give us your peace.



## **The Communion**

*All are welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Eucharist, as this is Christ's Table, and Christ is our Host. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing.  
Gluten free wafers are also offered.*

**Communion Hymn CP#85**    *Shepard of Souls, Refresh and Bless*

## **The Doxology**

Glory to God,  
Whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we could ask or imagine.  
Glory to God, from generation to generation,  
in the Church, and in Christ Jesus,  
forever and ever, Amen.

## **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn CP#220**    *Christ is Risen, Christ is Risen*



## **The Dismissal**

Alleluia!

Let us go in peace to serve God, one another,  
and to care for the earth.

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

*Thank you for the blessing of your presence at St. Paul's this morning. While the liturgy is over, our worship continues as we come together for fellowship and refreshment in the parish hall.  
All are welcome.*

## This Week at St. Paul's

### Monday

One Act Play Rehearsal 6pm - 8pm

### Tuesday

Brockville Music Festival 8:30am - 11am

Women's Book Study on Zoom.

Contact Jane Guthrie 613 802 8513 [crcquilts@gmail.com](mailto:crcquilts@gmail.com)

Choir Practice 7:00pm

Contact Malcolm Gillis [mgmalmcolmgillis@gmail.com](mailto:mgmalmcolmgillis@gmail.com)

### Wednesday

Brockville Music Festival 8:30am - 11am

Bible Study 10:00am - 11:30am on Zoom

Contact Rev. Lynn [revlynnam@gmail.com](mailto:revlynnam@gmail.com)

Service of Healing Prayer with Holy Eucharist @ noon in person and on Zoom. Contact Dave Bell 613 802 8158

PAC Meeting 6:30pm

### Thursday

Brockville Music Festival 8:30am - 11am

Bible Study 7:00pm in-person and Zoom.

Contact Rev. Ted 613 498 2942 [bama.contact@gmail.com](mailto:bama.contact@gmail.com)

Brockville Operatic Society 6:30pm - 7:30pm

### Saturday

St. Paul's Plant Sale 8am-1pm

### A Note from our Church Wardens

If you miss a Sunday (vacation, illness, weather, other plans) please do your best to catch up with your weekly offering.

It makes a big difference when you do!

Thank you 😊

## *Calling all gardeners!*

To raise some funds to go to the care of our gardens this year, St. Paul's will be hosting a Plant Sale on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are looking for donations particularly of perennials, but also of interesting house plants. If you have any perennials that can be split, please consider potting them up and giving them to the sale.



**Donation drop-off: Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>  
and Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 9am - Noon**

**If you need to schedule another time, please call the office.**



**SATURDAY, MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>  
9:00AM - 1:00PM  
AT ST. PAUL'S**

### **ATTENTION ALL ST. PAUL'S LADIES! ACW ANNUAL MEETING**

**SAVE THE DATE:** Thursday May 15th  
St. Thomas Church 130 Lakeview Ave. (off Bath Rd.) Kingston

**CELEBRANT:** Bishop William Cliff

**REGISTRATION:** 9 am coffee - Holy Eucharist 10 am

**CATERER:** Ramekins (Kingston)

**GUEST SPEAKER:** from the "Military Support" organization

**COST:** \$25.00 per person; clergy- \$20.00

For registration and payment contact

Bea 613-342-5223 by **April 28<sup>th</sup>**

# St. Paul's Monthly Financial Update

	Income	Expense	Surplus/Deficit		Income	Expense	Surplus/Deficit
Jan-25	\$16,924.00	\$19,043.77	<b>-\$2,119.77</b>	Jan-24	\$10,777.66	\$18,907.89	<b>-8,130.23</b>
Feb-25	\$12,192.00	\$20,593.96	<b>-\$8,401.96</b>	Feb-24	\$9,768.66	\$20,796.66	<b>-11,028.00</b>
Mar-25	\$17,368.89	\$19,974.90	<b>-\$2,606.01</b>	Mar-24	\$18,885.59	\$20,018.74	<b>-1,133.15</b>
Apr-25				Apr-24	\$12,620.66	\$17,763.05	<b>-5,142.39</b>
May-25				May-24	\$11,266.66	\$29,249.05	<b>-17,982.39</b>
Jun-25				Jun-24	\$17,726.30	\$16,617.34	1,108.96
July-25				July-24	\$11,066.00	\$17,227.18	<b>-6,161.18</b>
Aug-25				Aug-24	\$16,281.00	\$16,241.74	39.26
Sept-25				Sept-24	\$16,104.62	\$16,143.73	<b>-39.11</b>
Oct-25				Oct-24	\$15,623.00	\$17,208.96	<b>-1,585.96</b>
Nov-25				Nov-24	\$17,711.00	\$16,983.28	727.72
Dec-25				Dec-24	\$30,665.97	\$20,409.78	10,256.19
	46,484.89	59,612.63	<b>-13,127.74</b>		188,497.12	227,567.40	<b>-39,070.28</b>

## March 2025 Financial Overview

Compared to last year our deficit in March is slightly higher than in March 2024.

This is likely due to a colder and snowier March. Easter was in March last year, so our income was higher than this March.

We also cancelled a service this March.

Overall, for the first three months of 2025 we are down \$7,163.60 from our deficit amount for the same time period last year.