

Sunday, May 17, 2009—The Sixth Sunday of Easter
8 am *Said Eucharist (BAS)* 11 am *Festal Eucharist (BCP)*
Acts 4.5–12 Psalm 23
I John 3.16–24 John 10.11–18

Parish Notices

Vestry meets on May 12th. The bulk of the meeting will be devoted to The Reverend Don McLeod's visioning report.

Both George and Helen will be away May 18–28th. The Reverend Brook Mitchell will be presiding and preaching on May 24th. Office coverage will be provided by Paige Jensen.

Our next parish potluck will be on May 31st.

2009 marks our 120th Anniversary. Please block off the weekend of All Saints Day (November 1st) now, as there will be several special events.

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WELCOME! A NOTE TO VISITORS

If you are visiting this Sunday, a very warm greeting to you! We are delighted to welcome you and trust you will feel very much at home in this beautiful place. For 120 years, St. George's has continuously been a place of warm hospitality and worship for many visitors to this National Park from all over the world.

It has been the practice of St. George's for some time to alternate the two Anglican rites, the Book of Common Prayer and the Book of Alternative Services, so that there is a celebration using each rite each Sunday.

One of the challenges we face is ministering to the very many young seasonal employees in the park, many of who are away from home for the first time. We have begun this by supporting and connecting with the Living Room, a programme of the Banff Service Industry Network reaching out to 18–30 year old workers.

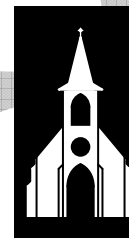
And we are following a dream to build a programme of Wilderness Spirituality, helping residents and visitors deepen their relationship with God in the context of the incredible beauty which surrounds us, and exploring the theological implications human care for the environment.

Please also visit our website: www.stgeorgesinthepines.org. We are a small congregation and struggle to provide the resource to keep our ministry vital and the church building cared for. You may feel called to share in this support. There are visitors' envelopes on the back table, and your gift will be responsibly used and much appreciated. To help in a larger and more visionary way, please speak to the Rector or Wardens.

May God bless you in Banff and your return home.

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2009 • *Festal Eucharist at 11:00 am*

Prelude

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Opening Hymn *ALL STAND* *Common Praise 378*

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Celebrant Almighty God,

All 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.

Glory to God *ALL SING* *Common Praise 686*

Trisagion *SAID THREE TIMES*

All Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day *ALL REMAIN STANDING*

Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life.
Give us grace to love one another
and walk in the ways of his commandments,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading *PLEASE BE SEATED* *Acts 8.26–40*

AFTER THE READING,

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22.24–30 *SAID RESPONSIVELY* *BAS p. 730*

The Second Reading*I John 4.7-21**AFTER THE READING,**Reader* The word of the Lord.*All* Thanks be to God.**Gradual Hymn** *ALL STAND**Common Praise 312***Easter Alleluias***John 15.5**Gospeller* Alleluia! I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.*People* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**The Holy Gospel***John 15.1-8**Gospeller* The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...*People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*AFTER THE GOSPEL,**Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.*People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**Homily** *PLEASE BE SEATED**The Rector***The Apostles' Creed** *ALL STAND**Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,*All* 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** *PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Bidding* Your kingdom, let it come!*Response* Your will, let it be done!**Confession and Absolution***Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites

them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Celebrant* Most merciful God,
All 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.*Celebrant* 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.*All* Amen.**The Peace** *ALL STAND**Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.*All* And also with you.**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST****Offertory Hymn***Common Praise 505***Prayer over the Gifts***Celebrant* Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.*All* Amen.**The Great Thanksgiving****Holy, Holy, Holy***by Jim Strathdee**All* Holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
blessèd is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!*PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED***The Lord's Prayer***Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,*All* 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*Celebrant* Lord, we died with you on the cross.*People* Now we are raised to new life.*Celebrant* We were buried in your tomb.*People* Now we share in your resurrection.*Celebrant* Live in us, that we may live in you.**The Invitation***Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.*People* Thanks be to God.**The Communion***IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION, ALL WHO ARE BAPTIZED, IN WHATEVER CHURCH, ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT.***Prayer after Communion** *PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Celebrant* Let us pray.

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.*Celebrant* Glory to God,*All* 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.**Easter Blessing***Celebrant* May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever.*All* Amen.**Closing Hymn** *ALL STAND**Common Praise 525***Dismissal***Celebrant* Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!*All* Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**Voluntary**

YEAR B – EASTER 5 – PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

To produce fruit we need to be joined on to the true vine.

Let us pray to the Lord God Almighty,
in whom we live and move and have our being.

Father, we want to produce good fruit in abundance;
nurture us as branches of the true vine,
train and prune us where necessary,
and may our spiritual harvest make rich wine,
wine of your kingdom.

We remember especially The Diocese of North Queensland in The Province of
Queensland; and The Parish of St. Andrew, Gleichen, in our own diocese.

Your kingdom, let it come! **Your will, let it be done!**

Father, clearly we see around our world
the tragic and expensive consequences
of branches cut off from the true vine.
We pray for a seeking after your truth
and a desire to act rightly and justly
in all areas of human society.

Your kingdom, let it come! **Your will, let it be done!**

Father, we pray for those to whom we are linked
by family, friendships or work;
especially we pray for those
separated from their loved ones or their home.

We pray particularly for Annette Gordon, Wendy Hansen, Cherry MacDonald
and Anne Vellacott.

Your kingdom, let it come! **Your will, let it be done!**

Father, we long for healing and wholeness
in all who suffer
and in all dysfunctional communities;
guide us to understand
how we might be part of the healing.

Your kingdom, let it come! **Your will, let it be done!**

Father, we know that death
cannot separate us from your love;
in that knowledge we commend to your keeping
those who have died and all who miss them.

Your kingdom, let it come! **Your will, let it be done!**

Father, we thank you that we can live
in the joyful freedom of your love,
as we dedicate ourselves to serving others.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**