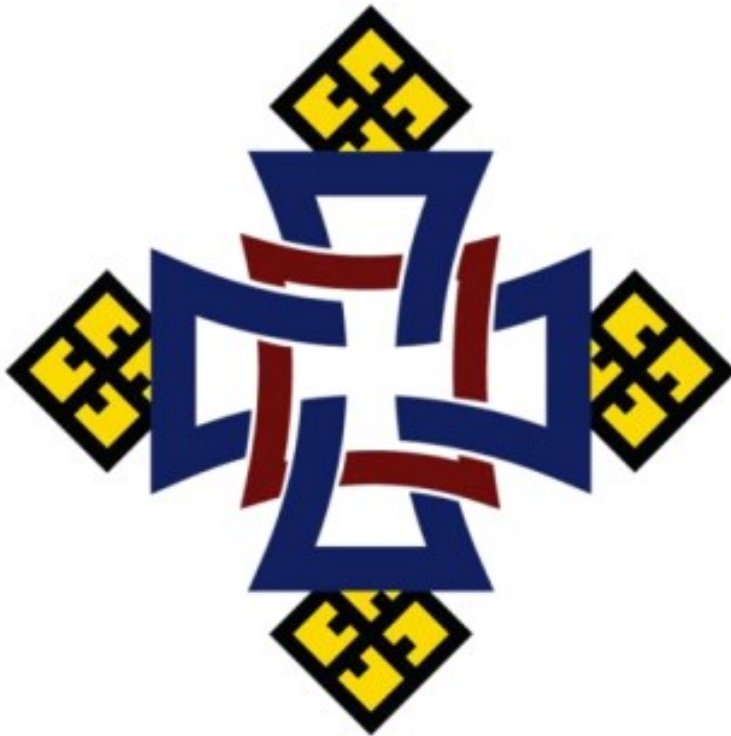


**Holy Communion
Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025
10.30 am**



St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church

Diocese of New Westminster

Located on the unceded land of the Musqueam,
Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh nations

Welcome!

This liturgy is an offering we create together. In song and silence, in story and prayer, in sacred meal, everyone is welcome to participate. Children are welcome in our gathering—we understand their need to move and play.

If you are new here or visiting, please sign our guest book and stay after worship for refreshments and conversation.

If you would like to request prayers, please write the names of those to be remembered in the book on the small table in the prayer corner.

To support the work of the church financially, please place your offering in the wooden offering plate by the door. Tax receipts are available—ask the greeter.

Communion is in both kinds (bread and wine). All are welcome at the table, and no one is required to take communion. Participants are welcome to consume only bread.

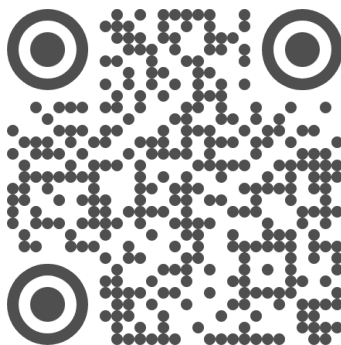
Thank you for joining us today!

Support This Place of Transformation

Thank you for supporting this community. With your help, we continue to be a place where we welcome all to walk together as we learn to walk in God's way. Here's how you can give:

Traditional: Cash or a cheque in the plate. Regular donors get envelopes to ensure tax receipts.

Interac: Transfer funds to office@stmarymags.ca Indicate "donation" in the memo line.



We issue tax receipts for donations of \$20 or more.

Thank you.

The Gathering of the Community in the Garden

We gather in the community garden.

Presider: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: Dear friends, during Lent we have been preparing to celebrate the mystery of Easter. On this day our friend Jesus entered the holy city of Jerusalem. The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise, an ancient symbol of triumph and victory; but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering and death.

Today we greet him as our King, although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection, by way of the dark road of suffering and death.

Presider: Let us pray.

All: **Holy and immortal God,
as we enter into this holy week
turn our hearts to Jerusalem,
so that, united with Christ and all the faithful,
we may enter the city not made with hands:
your promised realm of justice and peace,
eternal from age to age. Amen.**

Reader: May God be with you
People: And also with you

People: And also with you

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
(Luke 19.28-40)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Presider: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

During the procession, all hold branches in their hands.

Refrain



We process from garden to front door and into church. When all are back at their seats,

Presider: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

Prayer of the Day

Presider: Compassionate God,

All: your love finds full expression
in the gift of Jesus Christ your Son,
who willingly met betrayal and death
to set us free from sin.

**Give us courage to live obediently in these days
until we greet the glory of our risen Saviour. Amen.**

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers 2002 alt.

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the book of Isaiah
(Isaiah 50.4-9a)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29

¹ Give thanks to the Lord who is good;
the mercy of the Lord endures for ever.

² **Let Israel now proclaim, ***

"The mercy of the Lord endures for ever."

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

²⁰ **"This is the gate of the Lord; ***

those who are righteous may enter."

²¹ I will give thanks to the Lord who answered me
and has become my salvation.

²² **The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

²³ This is the Lord's doing, *
and it is marvellous in our eyes.

²⁴ **On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

²⁵ Hosannah, Lord, hosannah!
Lord, send us now success.

²⁶ **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the Lord.**

²⁷ God is the Lord and has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ **"You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you."**

²⁹ Give thanks to the Lord who is good;
the mercy of the Lord endures for ever.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the Paul's letter to the Philippians
(Philippians 2.5-11)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Song

#179 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

1. Tree of Life and awesome mystery,
in your death we are reborn;
though you die in all of history,
still you rise with every morn,
still you rise with every morn.

2. Seed that dies to rise in glory,
may we see ourselves in you;
if we learn to live your story
we may die to rise anew,
we may die to rise anew.

3. We remember truth once spoken,
love passed on through act and word;
every person lost and broken
wears the body of our Lord,
wears the body of our Lord.

4. Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
come inflame our hearts anew.
We may all your joy inherit
if we bear the cross with you,
if we bear the cross with you.

5. Christ, you lead and we shall follow,
stumbling through our steps may be;
one with you in joy and sorrow,
we the river, you the sea,
we the river, you the sea.

6f. God of all fear and sorrow,
God who lives beyond our death,
hold us close through each tomorrow,
love as near as every breath,
love as near as every breath.

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Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.
(Luke 19.28-40)

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

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily

The Rev. Tasha Carrothers

The bell will sound following a period of silence. All are invited to share a brief thought or story evoked by the readings or the sermon. Reflections end with another sound of the bell.

Song He Came Riding on a Donkey

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. Above the staff, the chords D, A, D, A, G, D, E, and A are indicated. The lyrics are written below the staff, with three verses. The first verse is '1. He came ri - ding on a don - key, He came ri - ding in - to town;'. The second verse is '2. Then the child - ren gath - ered, sing - ing Shouts of laugh - ter, burst - ing cheer;'. The third verse is '3. In our fast - ing, and our feast - ing, called to fol - low in His way;'. The score continues with a second line of music, starting with a 5-measure rest, followed by the chords G, D, Em, A, D, Em, A, D, and A. The lyrics for this section are 'slow and ea - sy kind of low - ly He came ri - ding with the dawn. In the streets their song was ring - ing, "Ho - san - nas" filled the morn - ing air. Called to walk His road to East - er, Called to live His Cross to - day.'

D A D A G D E A

1. He came ri - ding on a don - key, He came ri - ding in - to town;
2. Then the child - ren gath - ered, sing - ing Shouts of laugh - ter, burst - ing cheer;
3. In our fast - ing, and our feast - ing, called to fol - low in His way;

5 G D Em A D Em A D A

slow and ea - sy kind of low - ly He came ri - ding with the dawn.
In the streets their song was ring - ing, "Ho - san - nas" filled the morn - ing air.
Called to walk His road to East - er, Called to live His Cross to - day.

10 D A D A D A G D E A

His dis - cip - les walked be - side him, stay - ing close, a li - ttle shy
 Tim-id ad - ults strained to see Him caught the Spi - rit, joined the song;
 Ho-san-na to the son of Dav - id, Ho-san - na in the heav'ns a - bove;

15 G D Em A D Em A D

Not too sure where He would guide them, On to live or on to die.
 Spread their cloaks a - long be - fore Him, Branch-es flash - ing in the sun.
 Blessed is He who comes to save us, Blessed is He who brings His love.

19 G D A D G D E A

But all the morn - ing sang His prai - ses; Wak-ing birds and dan - cing wind;
 So all the ci - ty sang His prai - ses; Wak-ing streets and dan - cing crowd;
 Let us join to sing His prai - ses; Op - en hearts and souls to God;

23 G D A D G D A D A D A

Here He is, the Son of Dav-id; Rid - ing on to take His_ throne.
 Here He is, the Son of Dav-id; our Mes-si - ah, Son of_ God.
 He is with us, Son of Dav-id; God's Mes-si - ah, Christ the_ Lord.

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Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our faith in God.

All: **We believe in God,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.

We believe in one God;
the holy and undivided Trinity. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Please stand or sit as you prefer for prayer.

In the wider Anglican Communion we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile and for our companion diocese the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, and for our companion mission of St. Mary's, Tetep-an.

From our Diocese we pray for people and clergy of St. Anselm, Vancouver; The Deanery of North Vancouver; The Diocese of New Westminster. We pray for our partner ministry Urban Aboriginal Ministry and for Steven Seegerts, Coordinating Minister. We pray for Alongside Hope, the national Anglican organization that supports vulnerable communities throughout the world. We pray for our sponsored refugee family, Naser, Maryam, Amirali, Samina, Fatemeh Zahra, and for their family sponsor, Jila.

We pray for friends and family who are in care, sick or in need, including Meg Dean, Paul Fraser, Vicki Anderson, Peter Gilpin, Herb Huestis, Jean Senior, Ann Halfnights, Jandyra Walker, Kristine Bougie, Cheryl Parker, and Al Richardson.

We pray for those who have died and those who mourn.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of God be with you all.

All: **And also with you**

We share the peace of God with one another with a gesture of greeting.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

To make a financial offering, please place it in the offering plate by the door.

Song #63 Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

A cantor sings the verse and the congregation responds with the refrain:

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.

Text: para. Robert J Batastini & the Taize Community (France)

Music: Jacques Berthier Para & music © 1984 Les Presses de Taize.

Prayer over the gifts

Presider: God our provider,

All: **you have not fed us with bread alone,
but with words of grace and life.**

**Bless us and these your gifts,
which we receive from your bounty,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to God, our Creator.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider:

Eternal God, Source of all being,
we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love.
You call us into friendship with you and one another
to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When
those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When
we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the
paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those,
broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home,
making the first last, and the last first.
Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever
praising you and singing:

Cantor: *Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One: Ho - ly God of Hosts!

Hea - ven and earth are full of your

glo - ry! Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are those who come bear - ing God.

Congregation:

Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Presider:

Blessed are you, O Holy One:

when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home. When colonists claimed this land, driving out the nations you had placed here you stood with them in their exile.

All:



Presider:

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers and the sick, and healed them.

He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope:

All:



Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry!

Presider:

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts
that through them you may sustain us
in our hunger for your peace.
We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering,
our sisters and brothers.
When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

All:



Have mer - cy on us, O God.

Presider:

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O Source of all life, now and for ever.

All:



A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider : 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

Presider: We break this bread,
All: **communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Presider: Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.

All: **If we have died with him,
we shall live with him:
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**

Communion

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain at your places. The consecrated bread and wine will be brought around to all who wish. Everyone is welcome at the table.

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Compassionate God,
All: you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage;
may our fasting be hunger for justice;
our alms, a making of peace;
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts;
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Presider 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.

Blessing

Song Travelling the Road to Freedom



1. Trav-elling the road to free - dom,___ who wants to trav - el the road with
2. Trav-elling the road to free - dom,___ who wants to trav - el the road with
3. Trav-elling the road to free - dom,___ who wants to trav - el the road with
4. Trav-elling the road to free - dom,___ I am the Way, I'll take you



me?_____ Fet - ed by noise and branch - es_____ and ban-ners
me?_____ Part - nered by staunch sup - port - ers_____ who, came the
me?_____ Tip - ping the scales of jus - tice,_____ set - ting both
there._____ Choose to come on the jour - ney,_____ or choose to



hang - ing from ev - ery tree; _____ cheered on by fren - zied
dark, will _____ turn and flee; _____ nour - ished by faith and
minds and _____ cap - tives free; _____ suf - fering and yet for -
cri - ti - cize and stare. _____ Earth's mes - mer - iz - ing



peo - ple _____ puz - zled by what they hear and see:
pa - tience, _____ nei - ther of which is plain to see:
gi - ving, _____ ev'n when my friends most dis - a - gree:
e - vil _____ on - ly a trav - eller can re - pair.



Trav-elling the road to free - dom, who wants to trav - el the road with me? _____
Trav-elling the road to free - dom, who wants to trav - el the road with me? _____
Trav-elling the road to free - dom, who wants to trav - el the road with me? _____
Trav-elling the road to free- dom, I am the Way, I'll take you there. _____

Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace, the beloved of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stay for coffee, tea, treats and conversation!

Palm Leaf Cross Directions

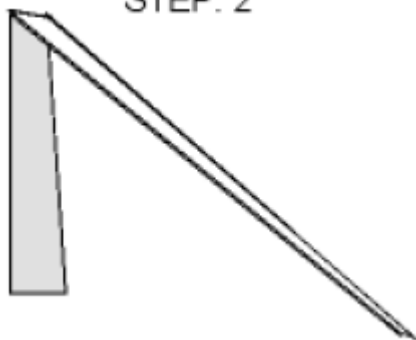
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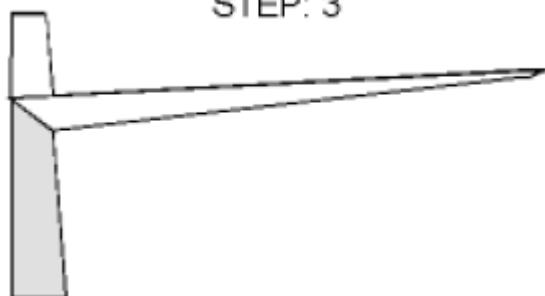
Fold the palm leaf down,
about 5-6" from the bottom.



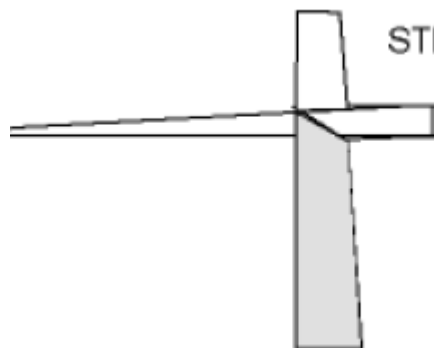
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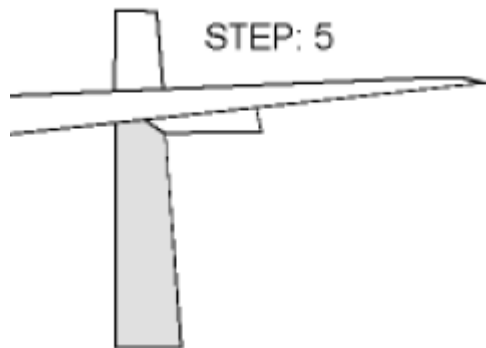
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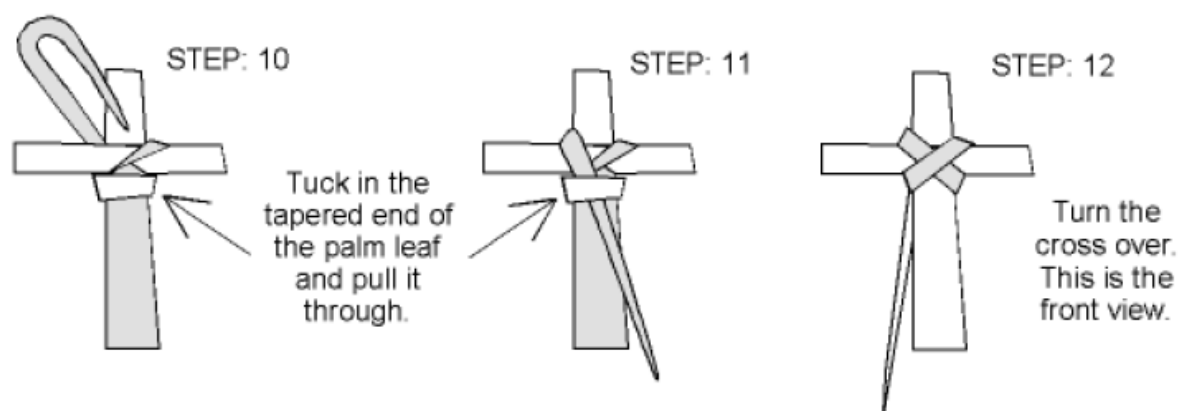
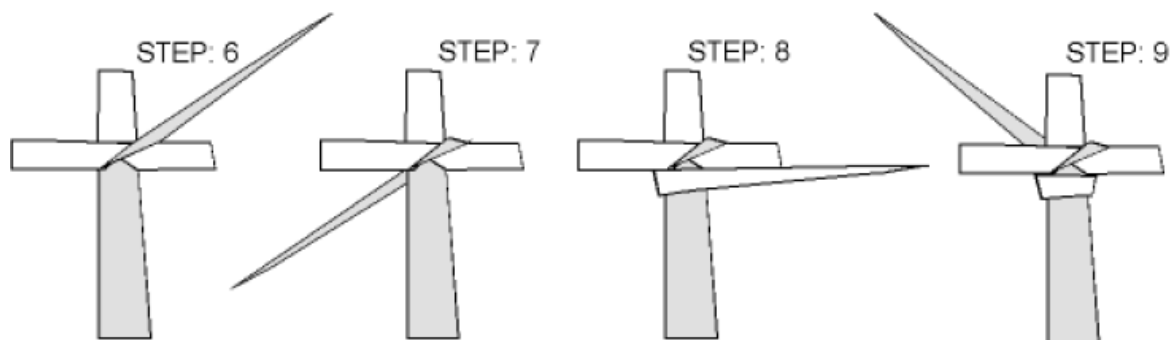


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Coming up at St. Mary Mags

Weds, April 16	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30 pm	Holy Communion
	1:30 pm	Jesus and the Mystic Poets
Thurs, April 17	6:00 pm	Simple Supper
	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday with foot washing
Friday April 18	10:30am	Good Friday
Sunday, April 20	10:30 am	Easter Sunday!
	12:15ish	Potluck

Don't forget to **sign up to help lead worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.**

Everything old is new again. Paperless singing has been part of worship at St. Mary Mags from the beginning. So this Easter Season, we are making the most of Dave's well deserved trip back to the Philippines by **experimenting with a lot of simple unaccompanied singing**, some familiar and some new to us.

We are lucky to have **Caitlin Reilley Beck** and **Patti Powell** lead us while Dave is away. Caitlin is a board member of Music that Makes Community and a graduate of Yale Divinity School and the Institute of Sacred Music. Patti conducts several a cappella choirs, including The Acabellaboratory Singing Gang. We will be in good hands!

Easter Sunday Readings

April 20, 2025

Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 114; 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; Luke 24:13-49

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