

All Are Welcome at St. Alban's Episcopal Church
10:30 am Sunday, April 12, 2026
The Second Sunday of Easter

St. Alban's seeks to be an open and welcoming, Christ-centered community committed to sharing Christ's love, empowering all people to grow spiritually, deepening our relationship with Christ, and living out our faith in our community and the world.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

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Sunday Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

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Phil McClelland

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Scripture Readings for April 19th

Acts 2:14a,36-41; Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

Weekly Sunday Outreach Basket Offerings

1st week—Food Bank

2nd week—Discretionary Fund

3rd week—Quarterly Outreach Offering

4th week—International Relief Offering

5th Week—Indigenous Women's Offering



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Descant

3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944)
 Music: *Sine Nomine* Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); desc. Alec Wyton (b. 1921)
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The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 2 beginning with the 14th verse

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ²²“Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

moreover my flesh will live in hope.

²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

BCP 599

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."

²*All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.*

³But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴*Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.*

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶*My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; **

indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸*I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.*

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰*For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.*

¹¹You will show me the path of life; *
*in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

The Second Reading

A Reading from 1 Peter 1:3-9, Chapter 1 beginning with the 3rd verse

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is

his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶A 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.” ²⁷Then 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.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But 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 the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Helen McPeak

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,*

*true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Priest: O God, your Son remained with his disciples
after his resurrection,
teaching them to love all people as neighbors.

As his disciples in this age,
we offer our prayers on behalf of the universe
in which we are privileged to live
and our neighbors with whom we share it.

Intercessor: Let us pray to God, glorified in Christ Jesus, who was, and is,
and is to come.

Silence

God of glory, empower your Church to be a constant witness to your
sacrificial love and glory:

We give thanks for:

Phil, our Bishop and the churches of our Diocese, especially St.

Paul's and La Inglesia Episcopal de la Resurrecion, Mt.

Vernon,

Templo Emanuel,

the members of our Parish, particularly John Palmer,

our Legacy Society Member, remembering today Howard Hayden,

and all ministries of our congregation, giving thanks for those in

Administration.

Draw us, your people, to lives of humbleness, steadfast faith, and constant
prayer, and protect us as we keep your word and proclaim your name.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, awaken all the kingdoms of the earth to acknowledge your
majestic power, give us courage to end violence and war, help us find
peaceful ways of addressing disputes, inspire us to serve the most
vulnerable, and guide the leaders of the nations to rule with justice and
equity.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, bless us, our families, friends and neighbors:

Chase Lake Community School

The West Edmonds Cooperative Preschool

Scout Troop 300

Girl Scout Troup 46254

Alcoholics Anonymous

Edmonds Food Bank

Outreach Ministry

In this complex and changing world help us to cast all our anxieties on you, that we may receive your support and strength in all we do.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, comfort those who mourn, or who watch with a loved one nearing death: Through the assurance of your resurrection power, and the promise of life in your eternal glory, may they know that separation on this brief earthly sojourn leads to the joy of everlasting reunion in your heavenly kingdom.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, we pray for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially Kären, Gretchen, Robin, Shirley Clark, Howard, John Palmer, Dee, Cate, Pat Chandler, and those we now name.

Silence The people add their own petitions.

Pour your grace upon them, and in your love restore them.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, we pray for those who have died, especially ... and those we name before you now...

Silence The people add their own petitions.

Like Mary, Joseph, Alban, and all your saints, exalt them to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; and may we, too, be called by you to live in heavenly glory.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

God of glory, you continually pour out your blessings upon us, give us eyes to see, minds to comprehend, voices to extoll, and the generosity of soul to share them with all those around us.

Risen Lord:

In your glory hear us.

Presider Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Blessing of the Tartans

Those who wish for a blessing please come forward.

Priest: Please join with me in the Blessing of the Tartans

As we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, that is to say, one company and multitude of people chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace God by true faith in Christ Jesus, who is the only Head of the Kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus.

O Lord, bless the tartans we have presented today and bless the people of the clans which they signify. May we strive to live up to the very highest ideals they represent.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

We thank you, God, for your Word which has ordained a rich heritage of faith and sacrifice from our ancestors: from Adam to Noah, from Noah to Abraham, from Abraham to David, so onward to the incarnation of Jesus, to the establishment of his church: our brothers and sisters in Christ everywhere. Never let us forget that a heritage of faith is a joy to be shared.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

Thank you, O God, for the blessings of family; the warmth, comfort, and security of family love. Never let us forget that our family love is a gift to be shared with kin and stranger.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

We praise you, O God, for those who have lived and died in Christ that we might have the freedom to dwell in a community of faith. Never let us forget the sacrifices made for us.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

*We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Joseph her husband, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Alban patron of this house, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.


Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*


The Breaking of the Bread

Antiphon
Cantor; then All




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died and is risen for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

For those who unable to attend worship in person

*Beloved Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the
Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things, and I
desire to receive you into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive
you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you and unite myself entirely .to you.
Let me never be separated from you in this life
or in the life to come. Amen*

National Cathedral Sunday Online Service 6.13.2021

Communion Hymn: *Alleluia Give Thanks to the Risen Lord* Hymn 178

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;*

*and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.*

*And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn:

This Joyful Eastertide

Hymn 192

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Announcements

Adult Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am: Join us for Adult Christian Education class (Bible Study) led by Robin McClelland on Sundays at 9:30am beginning April 19th. This hybrid class meets in the Annex and on Zoom (see link below).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83625063228?pwd=bcgNjSKTjQaV8OTcwoeaNgIbbx30Er.1>

Father Greg on Vacation: Fr. Greg is taking a well-deserved break. He will be away from Friday, April 10th through April 17. Please contact the office (425) 778-0371 or Jim Gilman (425) 409-1374 with pastoral care concerns.

Today we welcome back Rev. Helen McPeak as our visiting priest. Please give her a warm welcome!

Tartan Sunday April 12th: It's time to celebrate Scottish heritage with Kirkin' o' the Tartans, Blessing of the Tartans. This celebration grew out of the time when the Scots were being persecuted by the English and were not allowed to wear kilts and tartans. As a form of resistance, the Scots would carry a small patch of tartan hidden in their clothes. Once a year, they would have it blessed in church.

The Reverend Peter Marshall, a Scottish immigrant who served as chaplain of the United States Senate and pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, in Washington, D.C., titled one of his sermons in April 1941, "Kirkin' o' the Tartan." The name caught on in the 1950s when many Scottish groups across the nation began to participate in church services.

The Episcopal Church's roots run through the American Revolution and Scotland: Samuel Seabury, the first American bishop, was consecrated by bishops of the Scottish Episcopal Church. The English bishops refused to consecrate Seabury because he would not take the required oath of allegiance to the Crown. Thus the Anglican line of bishops was established in the new United States of America.

Feast of St. Drogo on April 19th: Join us Sunday, April 19th when we will celebrate St. Drogo, Patron of Baristas during coffee hours. A few years ago, we celebrated this most blessed and caffeinated of feast days. We're reviving the celebration by offering espresso drinks during both coffee hours. If you have an espresso maker or a moka pot, bring it to church on April 19th. We'll provide the perfectly ground black and sticky beans, milk, and dairy alternatives. Together will celebrate the life and ministry of that poor shepherd, whose faith brings so much joy, inspiration, and alertness.

ECW Women's Coffee May 2nd: Be sure to join us on Saturday, May 2, 10:30-12:00pm for the next ECW Coffee. Maryellen Young and Jeannie Burpee will be our featured speakers as they talk about their recent trip called "Celtic Roots in Brittany and Gaul: A pilgrimage to France." Come and learn something about Celtic Christianity. Coffee, tea, and light refreshments will be offered. You don't want to miss this great presentation!