



He is risen indeed *Alleluia!*

Holy Week 2022
Fredericton NB

The Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus is firmly rooted in historical events to which Christians have given witness throughout the centuries. The biblical witness is familiar to us. The historian Josephus writes in the first century about “all these things,” interestingly specifically, from an historical perspective not one of faith. The Early Church Fathers bore witness, arguing fiercely as the fundamentals of Christian faith were being drawn together and as the catholic creeds came into existence. Since those early days, many have died for Jesus but, far more have begun to live for him.

Christian faith is nothing to take lightly. The world continues to claim the great unlikelihood of gospel truth and perhaps more so the improbable validity of it's tenants even if recorded in history. Yet holding or upholding a Christian perspective on the world is far more than simply agreeing with some historical facts. Confessing Christian faith is also taking a stand and holding a unique perspective on life and the meaning of it. To be Christian is to choose life even in the midst of the death. St. Paul said that Christians are “always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible ...” *2 Corinthians 4:10*

By the power of God, Jesus rose from the cold dark reality of death. When the Gospel is proclaimed, it is not complete without shouts of Alleluia! that confirm the final victory of Jesus. When we submit ourselves to a God who has the power to overcome death itself we obtain the promise of the realm of that same God's eternity forever. When we truly lean into the fullness God intends and live like it's true, we make a difference.

Close to home and on the world stage, fear and death are all around. We're gripped as we watch the horrors of war, now in 4k video. Having been through times of pandemic isolation, we're still seeing it's effects even now that it has ceased to be the death sentence it once was. Considerable uncertainty about the stability of our world, its politics and its economy continues. The need to witness to the power of life and the fact of Resurrection is as great now as it ever was. Alleluia! Christ is risen. Death does not have the final word.

Join us this season as we walk the way of the Cross through Holy Week, as we watch for the first glimmer of Paschal Light on the Eve of Easter and as we listen again to familiar words on Easter Day. In person, if possible, but be reminded that a live stream and podcasts will be available for most of our worship events, your visible witness marked and of value even as a virtual attendee.

If you are unable to make your Easter Communion in person, contact the Cathedral Office to make an appointment for a home visit. We have a Team of administrators eager to respond to such requests. A schedule of our Holy Week and Easter worship follows. Alleluia! Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Yours sincerely,

Geoffrey Hall, Dean of Fredericton
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Holy Week and Easter 2022

Christ Church Cathedral, Fredericton NB

Monday - Thursday: 8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer and 4:45 p.m. Evening Prayer

The Holy Eucharist on 16 April is the first of Easter

Passion/Palm Sunday

(10 April 2022) 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist
 10:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms, Dramatic Passion and Holy Eucharist

Monday 5:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist

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Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Sanctuary

Good Friday 10:00 a.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Eve 8:00 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter, Renewal of Baptism and Eucharist
(16 April 2022)

Easter Day 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

(17 April 2022) 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

 11:45 a.m. Come Worship Eucharist

