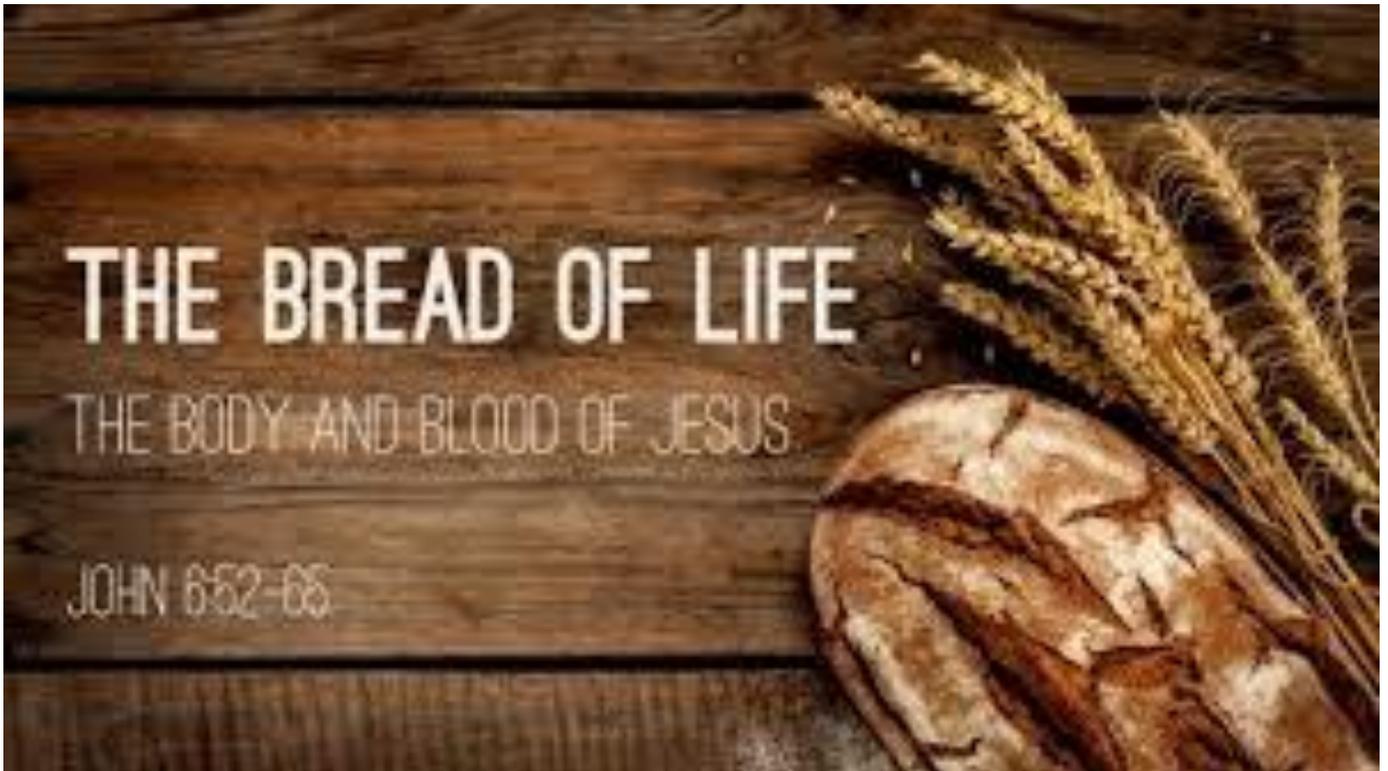


**ST. STEPHEN'S WITH ST. JAMES, CHAMBLY
AND GRACE CHURCH, L'ACADIE**



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**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
08 AUGUST 2021
HOLY EUCHARIST [BAS]**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“We believe we are called by God to be a faithful ministry to God through our actions, while true to the Gospel and spiritually alive in prayer, worship and service, to reach out to our community and grow in ministry.”

HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell

Organist: Karl-Frédéric Bolte

Opening Hymn: #373 "This is the Day the Lord Hath Made"

Celebrant:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Sentence:

I am the living bread which came down from heaven, says the Lord; anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Amen. [John 6.51]

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People:

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:

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

And peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, Heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,**

You take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy upon us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father:

Receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the day:

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reader: Ellen Rennie, Lay Reader, Emeritus

This morning's first reading comes from the second book of Samuel, in the 11th Chapter beginning at the 26th verse.

[2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33]

Listen now for the Word of God.....

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom.

So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the

enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.'

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

[Silence followed by:]

For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Psalm 130

Out of the depths have I called you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy; With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

PRAYER AFTER THE PSALM:

Rescue us, O God for whom we wait, from the depths of depression and despair. May we trust in your mercy, know the fullness of your redemption, and share in the glory of your kingdom; through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

This morning's second reading comes from the Paul's letter to the Ephesians, in the 4th Chapter beginning at the 25th verse.

[Ephesians 4:25-5:2]

Listen now for the Word of God.....

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave

from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily/Homilie: Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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: Anita Young
With thanks to Lowell Grisham

Presider: God our Creator, you draw all humanity to yourself through your Son Jesus Christ who gives the bread of life to all who are hungry: Hear our prayers for the whole human family, that we may be nourished and strengthened through your gracious care, as we say: We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;
in your word is our hope.

Litanist: Gracious One, the Church has been taught by God and drawn into your holy communion as members of

one another: Feed us with the living bread of Christ, that we may be witnesses of his grace and ministers of his reconciliation.

We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;

in your word is our hope.

Infinite One, teach our leaders and all in authority in the nations of the world to put away all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, that they may be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven.

We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;

in your word is our hope.

Compassionate One, look upon the needs of the world, and bring bread to the hungry, peace to the threatened, healing to the ill, hope to the despairing, and your continuing presence and vision to all.

We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;

in your word is our hope.

Loving One, grant us grace to put away falsehood and to speak the truth to our neighbours, that the relationships in our community may be useful for building up with words that give grace to those who hear, and that those who labour and work will do so honestly, so as to have something to share with the needy. We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;

in your word is our hope.

Healing One, hear our prayers for those for whom we pray in intercession, especially our Foster Children, Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ronnie, and Gary Agle, The Goodfellow family, Ralph and Bev, Bill and Joyce, Frances Boivin-Cunningham, Annie Veilleux, The McConnell family, The Steirli family, Bev and Francis Hynes, Mitsa & Glenn, Lil Robinson, Denise Dubois, Ann Hopkins, Barry & Della Yaxley, Virginia, Gabriel, Sylvia Dawson, Amanda McCordic, Jerry Osborne, Patrick Osborne, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Olga, Kevan, Jack McGillivray, David, Ernie Thomas, Donald Sloane, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Michael Canning, Sidney and Arleen, Beth Reid (Dio), Brandon, Robin and Sheila Nasmith, Sarah, Paul and Rosemary Delaney, and Pete.

We give you thanks and ask your blessing upon all teachers and students as they begin a new year of learning and exploration. Hear us as we express our gratitude for all of our blessings, especially for healing in John Bergeron. Mark all who have died with your seal for the day of redemption and grant them your gift of eternal life. We wait for you, O God; our souls wait for you;

in your word is our hope.

Presider: Your beloved children come to you in trust as our Source, opening our hands and mouths and hearts for your life-giving food and drink which alone satisfies our longings: Be present throughout your creation to nourish life, that all the earth may wait upon you, O God, and receive your mercy and your plenteous redemption, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the

Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

In our Anglican Cycle of prayer, we uphold in prayer Mary our Bishop, David our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Priests, Clergy, Deacons and Lay readers in the Diocese. In the world we pray for the Church of South India (United) and for all the firefighters fighting the wildfires raging in Canada, the U.S.A. and Siberia. In our own Diocese we pray St John the Evangelist, The Rev Canon Keith A. Schmidt, and The Rev Marc-Philippe Vincent, Associate Priest. We also remember in prayer Rt. Rev'd. Dr. Bruce Myers, Bishop, Diocese of Quebec and for our partnerships with the Territory of the Peoples, and for the Diocese of Masasi, Bishop James Almasi and our future partnership with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille.

*Lord in your Mercy, **hear our prayers.***

Confession and Absolution:

Celebrant:

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes us sinners and invites us to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

[Silence is kept.]

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

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #507 "Blest be the Tie that Binds"

Prayer over the gifts:

Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #2:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant:

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All:

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

[Silence]

The Breaking of the Bread #2:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God us, for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God

The celebrant and people then receive communion.

[The people remain at their seats]

Prayer after Communion:

Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology: **Celebrant:** Glory to God,

People: 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: [All]

May God the Holy One draw us into eternal life so that we may be nourished by heavenly food and never be hungry.

May Christ the living bread that came down from heaven live in us, empowering us to be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us.

Celebrant:

May God the Holy Spirit mark you with a seal for the day of redemption and keep you always in divine love and life.

And the blessing of our generous God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and sustain you for ever. **Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

“Daily Bells” and Zoom Coffee should be resuming now that Andy is back from vacation.

Compline has been temporarily suspended while Bishop Mary is on a much needed vacation. I will advise you when it starts up again.

Closing Hymn: “O Come Down, O Love, Divine”

[Celebrant]

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Coffee will be served in Randell Hall immediately following the service.

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