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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
IN PERSON SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST  
AND ON FB LIVE  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2022**

**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

### ***Celebrant: Welcome***

The service begins on Page 185 of the BAS with the "Gathering of the Community"

Sentence:

**If you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

[Psalm 95.7–8]

Opening Hymn:

#564 "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us"

Greeting Page 185 of the BAS

Collect of the day:

**Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Claude Dubois

*This morning's first reading comes from the book of Genesis, Chapter 15 beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.*

*[Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18]*

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

*After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.*

*Then he said to him, 'I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.*

*As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.*

*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.**

*Reader: We will all say Psalm 27 together with the Prayer at the end.*

**The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?**

**When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.**

**Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;**

**And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.**

**One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

**To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**

**For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.**

**Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.**

**Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**

**Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.**

**You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek.**

**Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.**

**You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

**Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will sustain me.**

**Show me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.**

**Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.**

**What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!**

**O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; wait patiently for the Lord.**

## **PRAYER:**

**Faithful God, the shelter of all who hope in you, may those who seek your face be set free from fear and distress, and come to see your goodness in the land of the living; through Jesus Christ, our Light and our Salvation. Amen.**

*This morning's second reading comes from Paul's letter to the Philippians, Chapter 3, beginning at the 17<sup>th</sup> verse.*

*[Philippians 3:3-17:4-1]*

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

*Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.*

*Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. [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**

Gradual Hymn: #505 "Be Thou My Vision"

[You are requested to stay seated for the Gospel]

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke, in the thirteenth Chapter, beginning at the thirty-first verse.*

[Luke 13:31-35]

*At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '*

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:*

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

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

The service continues on Page 188 with the Nicene Creed

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:*** *Betty Cunningham*  
*.....With thanks to Reverend Lowell Grisham*

*Presider: Eternal and all merciful God, you have taught us not to be afraid, and you have promised to defend your people and to bring us into our inheritance: Hearken to our voice when we call; have mercy on us and answer us, for we pray: God is our light and our salvation; whom then shall we fear?*

Litanist: Your Church seeks your face, O Merciful One, and our hearts are unafraid in you: May Christ our savior transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory.

God is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

We live in a world where corrupt leaders misuse power, kill the prophets, and stone those sent from God: Gracious One, gather your children together from across the world as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, that all may know you and bless your holy name. God is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

Your Spirit is strong with those who work in the presence of danger, conflict and opposition, and your healing grace is with those who suffer: Look upon the whole world, O Loving One, and uphold with your power all who need the comfort of your compassion.



God is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

You have given us a good land to possess, O Generous One, and you have surrounded us with your descendants, more numerous than the stars of heaven: Bless our communities and all of our neighbours, that we may know you and stand firm in your goodness.

God is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

Hear our intercessions for all for whom we pray, especially *for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria; Eileen, Ronnie and Gary Agle, The Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lyne Pierce, Olga, Ian McGregor, Mike, Arlene and family, Denise Dubois, Anne Veilleux, Frances Boivin-Cunningham, The McConnell family, Ralph and Bev, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil & Joe Robinson, Pauline Drouin, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Donald Sloane, Jennifer and Derek Marchand. In the wider community we pray for the Steirli family, Bev and Frances Hynes, Patrick Turgeon, Della, Virginia, Gabriel, Jerry Osborne, Janet Osborne, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Beth Reid, Brandon, Sarah, Paul and Rosemary Delaney, Pete, Len Levac, Kenneth Roberts, Keith Donahue, Jerry Prokoki and Dianne.*

Your love extends to the ends of the earth. We give you thanks, especially for healing in Claude.

Your resurrection power brings hope to the living and new life to the dead. God is our light and our salvation;

**whom then shall we fear?**

*Presider: O Holy One, when the sun goes down and as we are in deep sleep, your mysterious and powerful presence is with us; when deep and terrifying darkness descends upon us your covenant promise is renewed: Let your Spirit be with your children in all times of trial, that our hearts may rest in you and not be afraid, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.*

The service continues on Page 191.  
The Peace [No contact – no hand shaking]

Offertory Hymn:  
#393 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer over the gifts:  
**God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. Amen.**

**Eucharistic Prayer #3 on Page 198 with [Preface for Lent on Page 220]**

The Lord's Prayer, Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #7

Prayer after Communion:  
**Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Doxology, Pg. 214

Blessing:

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:**

March 14<sup>th</sup> – Donna Lansing  
March 18<sup>th</sup> – William "Bill" Johnson  
March 18<sup>th</sup> – Jackson Bruce Pippis

**"Happy Birthday to You, To Jesus Be True,  
May God's Many Blessings, Rest Upon You"**



**Announcements:**

Closing Hymn:

LP #153 "Make me a Channel of your Peace"

Dismissal.

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