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CHAMBLY AND GRACE CHURCH, L'ACADIE**



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**MORNING PRAYER (BAS)
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
IN PERSON AND LIVE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
MAY 8TH, 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."

MORNING PRAYER
Officiant: Rev'd. Andrew O'Donnell
Organist: Karl-Frederic Bolte

Opening Hymn:

#520 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"
Tune: Dominus Regit Me

Sentence:

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me. [John 10.14]

The service resumes on Page 48 of the BAS [Green book]

The Invitatory for Easter:

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship.

JUBILATE: [Psalm 100] found on Page 49

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
Reader: Eileen Agle

The psalm for this morning is Psalm 23 found on Page 731 of the BAS. We will all repeat the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.

***The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.***

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over. Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Prayer

Glory to you, Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. In the waters of baptism you give us new birth, at your table you nourish us with heavenly food, and in your goodness and mercy, you guide us beyond the terrors of evil and death to your Father's home to dwell in eternal light. Glory to you for ever. Amen

*Today's first reading is taken from the Book of Acts, Chapter 9, verses 36 to 43. [Acts 9:36-43]
Listen now for the word of God.....*

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside

him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.

Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner. [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.

This morning's second reading is taken from Revelation, Chapter 7 verses 9-17 [Revelation 7:9-17]

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

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

[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: #519 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
Tune: Crimond*

Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell: The Lord be with you

People: *And also with you.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John, in the 10th Chapter, beginning at the twenty-second verse.

[John 10:22-30]

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed: Page 52

Prayers of the People – Claude Dubois

Presider: Salvation belongs to our God and to the Lamb, to whom be glory forever. We offer our prayers and praises on behalf of ourselves, our neighbors and the world, saying: Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Litanist: Gracious One, through Christ our Shepherd you call your Church to hear your voice and to continue the good works that Christ does in the Father's name: Guide us along right pathways for your name's sake. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Before your throne, O Holy One, is an uncounted multitude from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages: Guide the leaders of the nations toward the reconciliation of all peoples from different races and cultures and faiths, that we may walk in your ways of peace, may hunger and thirst no more, and may fear no evil. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Compassionate God, let the voice of the Good Shepherd be heard everywhere, to comfort and guide all who are in trouble or in anguish throughout the world. Blessing and

glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Revive our souls and lead us beside still waters, O Loving One, that we may know your voice within us, and your rod and your staff may comfort us. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Our prayers join with the praise and intercession of the heavenly chorus as we bring before you our concerns, especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ron and Gary Agley, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pierce, Olga, Ian McGregor, Denise Dubois, Anne Veilleux, France Boivin Cunningham, The McConnell family, Ralph and Bev, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil and Joe Robinson, Claudette Blais, Pauline Drouin, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Donald Sloan, Jennifer and Derek Marchand. In the wider community we pray for the Steirli family, Bev and Frances Hynes, Patrick Turgeon, 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 Prokofiev, Dianne Luna Utrera, Yolanda, and Pauline.

Our cup is running over with gratitude as we thank you for all our many blessings. We commend to your salvation Lou Robinson who has walked through the valley of death and has come out of the great ordeal. Guide them to the springs of the water of life and wipe away every tear from their eyes, as we remember those who have died. Blessing

and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving **and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

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 Anglican/Roman Catholic International Commission and the International Anglican/Orthodox Dialogue and the Église Anglicane du Rwanda. 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.***

*Presider: Our Good and Generous God, you have spread the table before us and invited us into communion with you in the new life of resurrection: Let your Spirit of goodness and mercy follow us all the days of our lives, that all humanity may know Christ the Good Shepherd, and dwell in your house forever. **Amen.***

Offertory Hymn: #330 "O Praise Ye the Lord"
Tune: Laudate Dominum

Offertory Prayer: God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd.

Collect for the 4th Sunday of Easter:

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Randy Young from Anita, Gordie, Lorna and Lindsay

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Closing Hymn: #415 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Birthdays this week:

Cindy Cunningham – May 8th

Pauline Drouin – May 9th

George Luzeski – May 10th

Andrea Defpelteau– May 14th

***"Happy Birthday to you, To Jesus be True,
May God's many blessings
Keep falling on you"***

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Coffee will follow in Randell Hall following the service.

Blessing: (Officiant)

All: Amen.

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September 28, 1888**