

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



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**MORNING PRAYER (BAS)
4th SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY, APRIL 21st, 2024**

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.”

Eucharist
Officiant: Rev. Andy O'Donnell
Organist: Colin Langille

Opening Hymn: #620 – How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds - {Tune: St. Peter}

Sentence: I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me.
{John 10.14}

The service begins on Page 185 of the BAS

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Lynn Osbourne

Today's first reading is taken from the book of Acts Chapter 4 verses 5-12.
{Acts 4:5-12}

Listen now for the word of God.....

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

{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.**

The Psalm for this morning is Psalm 23 verses 1-6 starting on Pg.731 of the BAS. We will all repeat the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.

This morning's second reading is taken from 1 John Chapter 3 verses 16-24
{1 John 3:16-24}

Listen now for the Word of God....

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

{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. 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 Eleventh verse. {John 10:11-18}

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason, the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: Rev. Andy O’Donnell

Prayers of the People with Thanks to Lowell Grisham

Lynn Osbourne

O God our Shepherd, you spread a table before us and reassure our hearts with your guiding care: Hear our prayers for all your people, as we say, the Lord is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

You know your own and your own know you, good Shepherd of the sheep: Guide our Church in gentleness and peace, that we may obey your commandment to love one another and live out that love in truth and action. God is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

The rejected stone has become the cornerstone for the whole world's salvation, the power and name for all healing: Be present, O God, with our leaders and with all who exercise authority for the nations of the world, that they may guide us along right pathways for your Name's sake. God is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

You have given your life for the protection of your people: Open our eyes to see our brothers' and sisters' need throughout the world, and then empower us to respond with generous help. God is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

The Spirit that you have given us is alive in this community: Revive our souls that we may abide in Christ, lay down our lives for one another, and lie down in green pastures beside the still waters of fellowship and reconciliation. God is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

Hear us as we bring the prayers of our hearts to you, O Gracious One, remembering especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, the Agley family, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pearce, Olga, the McConnell family, the Stedman family, Lil and Joe Robinson, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Bill Bird, and Roslyn Macgregor. In the wider community we pray for Virginia, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Dianne, Luna Utrera, Yolanda, Pauline, Jerry Prokoki, Ann Barton, Alvin Powell, Sheila Atwood, Veronica Valentine, Carole Alain, Dr. and Mrs. Patenaude, Jordan, Sharron Edmunds Gillis, Frank Schneider, Bernard LaFleur, Pauline Ulric, Ralph Derry, Edelmera Harrison, Harold Rice, George, Ruth and Brent O'Donnell, Lynn Hemsley, St. James, Hudson Anglican Parish of Vaudreuil. God is our shepherd; **we shall not be in want.**

Reassure our hearts, O God, with the comfort of your guiding presence, that we may know that you are with us, and we will fear no evil. Strengthen us to join in the Spirit's

work of leading all people into your divine abundant love, so that goodness and mercy may follow us all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **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. We pray also for The Rev. Dr. Holly Radcliffe and The Rev. Canon Joyce Sanchez. In the world, we pray for the Anglican Church of Australia. 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, the Diocese of Masasi, Bishop James Almasi and the Rev'd Linus Buriani, and our developing friendship with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille. Lord in your mercy; **Amen**

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Offertory Hymn: #444 – Your Hand, O God, Has Guided – {Tune: Thornbury}

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Eucharistic Prayer #2 on Page 196

The Lord's Prayer, Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #8, Page 213

Prayer after Communion: Page 338

Birthdays this Week

Mitsa & Glenn's Anniversary – April 23rd

Robert Sloane – April 24th

Emma Ramsay – April 25th

Roy Wo – April 27th

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

Closing Hymn: LP #151 - Majesty

Dismissal/Blessing: Page 215

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Blessing: (Officiant)

All: Amen.

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

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