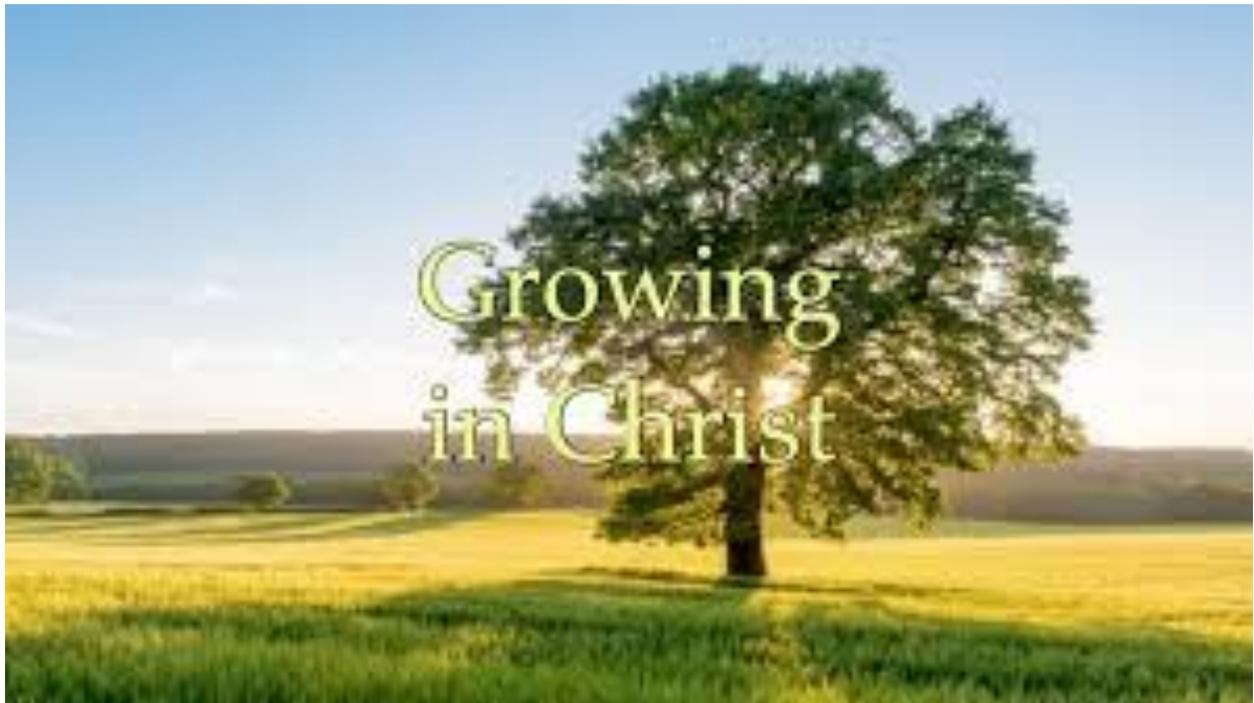


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CHAMBLY AND GRACE CHURCH, L'ACADIE**



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**MORNING PRAYER (BAS)
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
IN PERSON AND LIVE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
MARCH 20, 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:

#384 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Sentence:

Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. [Matthew 4.17]

The service resumes on Page 47 of the BAS [Green book]

The Invitatory for Lent:

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

Venite [Psalm 95.1-7] found on Page 49

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
Reader: Holly Dawson

The psalm this morning is Psalm 63, verses 1-8 found on Page 783 OF THE BAS. We will all repeat the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

**Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that I might behold your power and your glory.
For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; my
lips shall give you praise.
So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my
hands in your name.
My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and
my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate
on you in the night watches.
For you have been my helper, and under the shadow
of your wings I will rejoice.
My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.**

PRAYER:

**Eternal Love, our hearts are restless until they rest
in you. Let your glory shine on us, that our lives may
proclaim your goodness, our work give you honour,
and our voices praise you forever; for the sake of
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Today's first reading is taken from the Book of Isaiah,
Chapter 55, verses 1 to 9 [Isaiah 55:1-9]
Listen now for the word of God.....*

*Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without
price.*

*Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?*

*Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight
yourselves in rich food.*

*Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may
live.*

*I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my
steadfast, sure love for David.*

*See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and
commander for the peoples.*

*See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and
nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.*

*Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while
he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the
unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord,
that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.*

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways
my ways, says the Lord.*

*For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my
ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your
thoughts.*

[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 Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, in the tenth chapter, beginning at the first verse. [1 Corinthians 10:1-13]

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

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the

testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it. [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: #565 "Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke, in the 13th Chapter, beginning at the first verse.

[Luke 13:1-9]

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." '

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: Rev'd. Andy O'Donnell

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed: Page 52

Intercessions and Thanksgivings - Anita Young

Litany #14 for Lent, Page 121

(With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy.")

*For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, especially for peace in Ukraine. We pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria; Eileen, Ronnie and Gary Agle, The Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lyne Pierce, Olga, Ian McGregor, Denise Dubois, Anne Veilleux, Frances Boivin-Cunningham, The McConnell family, Ralph and Bev, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil & Joe Robinson, Claudette Blais, 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. For refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected. We also remember before you Anna Stoddard and Alanna Wyse. We also remember Mike and uphold his wife Arlene and his family in prayer; we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

*For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord. **Lord, have mercy.***

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

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 Church of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. 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.***

Offertory Hymn:

#52 "O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near"

(Tune: St. Flavian)

Offertory Prayer:

Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Lent:

Father of mercy, alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer – Page 54

Closing Hymn: LP #120 "Jesus, lover of my soul"

Birthdays this week:

Glenn Stedman – March 21st

Johanne Barbier-Goeb – March 22nd

Alex Nicholson – March 23rd

Katie Ellwood – March 26th

***"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.
 - There will be no Zoom coffee today.

Blessing: (Officiant)

All: Amen.



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