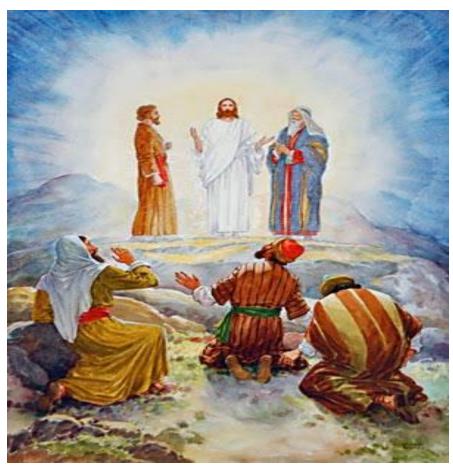
ST. STEPHEN'S WITH ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH, CHAMBLY AND GRACE CHURCH, L'ACADIE



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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2023

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: Andy O'Donnell Organist: Colin Langille

Celebrant: Welcome

Opening Hymn: #005 - Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies - {Tune options: Ratisbon}

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

Sentence: The Son of man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. {John 3.14-15}

Greetings Page 185 of the BAS

Collect of the day: See Page 288

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Today's first reading is taken from the book of Genesis, Chapter 12, verses 1-4a.

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

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So, Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

[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 121 verses 1-8 found on Pages 882 of the BAS. We shall read the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.

This morning's second reading is taken from Paul's letter to the Romans, Chapter 4 verses 1-5, 13-17. Listen now to the Word of God.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was

reckoned to him as righteousness.'Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

[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: #381 - Praise My Soul - {Tune: Praise, My Soul}

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 3rd Chapter, beginning at the first verse. [John 3:1-17]

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.'Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as

Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

`For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: Rev. Andy O'Donnell

The service continues on Page 188 with the Nicene Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THANKS TO LOWELL GRISHAM

Presider: Loving God, you sent your Son into the world not to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved: Let the wind of your Spirit blow freely throughout creation so that all people may be born anew from above and live in the wonder of your steadfast and abounding grace, as we pray: Our help comes from God, the maker of heaven and earth.

Litanist: Gracious God, through Jesus you have revealed to your Church divine realities about earthly things and about heavenly things: Inspire our bishops and other leaders and help us to receive your testimony and to live in the power of your Spirit. Our help comes from God, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

You led Abram away from his homeland and kindred to make of him a great nation, to be a blessing to all the families of the earth: Guide our national leaders and all in positions of authority or power throughout the world; move them forward from their familiar places of comfort, toward new, compassionate responses to the needs of the world, that they also may be a blessing to all people. Our help comes from God, the maker of heaven and earth.

Let your Spirit go forth over all the earth to refresh and heal all who are confused, suffering or oppressed, that everyone on earth may know themselves as your beloved people. Our help comes from God, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

Your presence is among us in this community, inviting us to enter the Kingdom of God and to be people born of the Spirit: Inspire our witness and service to you and to our neighbor, that we may love the world even as Christ has loved us. Our help comes from God, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

You watch over us without slumber or sleep and have promised to preserve us from all evil and to keep us safe. Hear our prayers for those whom we commend to your benevolent care, especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ron and Gary Agley, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pearce, Olga, Jennifer and Bruce Agley, The McConnell family, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil and Joe Robinson, Ann & Al Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Donald Sloane, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Ted Neville, Leslie Ederer & John Rennie. In the wider community we pray for Patrick Turgeon, Virginia, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Beth Reid, Keith Donahue, Dianne, Luna Utrera, Yolanda, Pauline, Jerry Prokoki, Ann Barton, Alvin Powell, Sheila & Art Atwood and Veronica Valentine. Our help comes from God, the maker of heaven and earth.

Presider: Gracious and ever-present God, you justify the ungodly with the promise that rests upon grace and is guaranteed to all of Abraham's descendants: Send forth your Spirit of new birth into the world, that all humanity may trust in your goodness and be blessed, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **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 St. John the Baptist, Pointe-Claire, The Rev. Neil Mancor, Interim Clergy, The Ven. Ralph Leavitt, Interim Clergy, The Rev. Geert-Jan Boudewijnse, Honorary. In the world we pray for the Church of the Province of Southeast Asia, 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 the Rev'd Linus Buriani and our developing friendship with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille. Lord in your mercy; Amen

The service continues on Page 191 with the Confession and Absolution

The Peace Page 192

Offertory Hymn: #503 – Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might - {Tune: Pentecost}

Prayer over the gifts: Page 289

Eucharistic Prayer #2 on Page 196

The Lord's Prayer, Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #7, Page 213

Prayer after Communion: Page 289

Doxology, Pg. 214

Dismissal/Blessing: Page 215

People: Thanks be to God. Allelluia!

Birthdays this week:
Donna Ward – March 6th
Stephanie Lalonde (Ward) – March 7th

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

Closing Hymn: #LP 275 - Will Your Anchor Hold - {MP 770}

Dismissal

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

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