

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



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**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER
CONFIRMATION
SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD, 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: The Right Reverend Mary Irwin-Gibson

Organist: Colin Langille

Celebrant: Welcome

Opening Hymn: #007 – New Every Morning is the Love - {Tune: Ratisbon}

The service begins on Page 623 of the BAS

Collect: Pg. 338

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Eileen Agley

Today's first reading is taken from Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 2 verses 14a, 36-41
{Acts 2:14a,36-41}

Listen now to the Word of God.

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

Therefore, let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

[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 116 verses 1-4, & 12-19 found on pg.864/5 of the BAS. We shall read the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.

This morning's second reading is taken from 1 Peter, Chapter 1 verses 17-23
{1 Peter 1:17-23}

Listen now to the Word of God

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without

defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

[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: #415 – All Things Bright and Beautiful – {Tune: All Things Bright}

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 Luke, in the 24th Chapter, beginning at the thirteenth verse. {Luke 24:13-35}

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening, and the day is now nearly over.' So, he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to t

hem. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: The Right Reverend Mary Irwin-Gibson

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PRAYERS of the People – Dorothy Cunningham

Presider: Christ is present with us, in us and through us. In faith let us offer the prayers of our hearts, as we set our trust and hope on God, saying: We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving; **and call upon your holy Name.**

Litanist: Fill your baptized people with hope, O Holy One, and make our hearts burn within us, that we may know you as you are revealed in the opening of the scriptures and in the breaking of the bread. We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving; **and call upon your holy Name.**

Protect our nation from futile ways and the pursuit of power, that our people may be obedient to your truth and manifest genuine mutual love. We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving; **and call upon your holy Name.**

Comfort those who live entangled in the cords of death and fulfill your promise of life for everyone, that Christ may turn our suffering into glory. We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving; **and call upon your holy Name.**

Stay with us and accept the concerns and needs of this community; open our eyes to recognize Christ as the stranger along the way; fill our hearts with his teaching and eternal presence. We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving; **and call upon your holy Name.**

Hear our prayers for those for whom we intercede, especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, the Agle family, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pearce, Olga, The McConnell family, the Stedman family, Lil and Joe Robinson, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Donald Sloane, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Ted Neville, Leslie Ederer & John Rennie. In the wider community we pray for Ann Hopkins, Patrick Turgeon, Virginia, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark,

Keith Donahue, Dianne, Luna Utrera, Yolanda, Pauline, Jerry Prokoki, Ann Barton, Alvin Powell, Sheila & Art Atwood, Veronica Valentine and Dominique & Carole Alain. Share our joy and thanksgiving for the blessings that we offer you, especially for our candidates, Massimo Marco Bastone, Micheal Luca Bastone, Adam Michael Vincent Boismenu, Amy Katherine Boismenu, Julia Marie Mainguy, Philip Charles Mainguy, Ely Paolina Papeo, Arabella Reine Slote, and Sadie Arinda Slote. We offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving;**and call upon your holy Name.**

Presider: O Gracious God, walk with us as we take, bless, break and give our lives to you, and let our prayers be joined to Christ's resurrected life; may he be recognized throughout the world, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for you live and love, one God forever and ever. **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. Canon David Sinclair and The Rev. Lorne Tardy. In the world we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda. 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 the Rev'd Linus Buriani and our developing friendship with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille. Lord in your mercy; **Amen**

The Peace Pg: 162

Offertory Hymn: #334 – Holy God we Praise your Name - {Tune:Grosser Gott}

Prayer over the gifts: Page 338

The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Jean Young from Gord and Anita.

Eucharistic Prayer #3 on Page 198
Easter Preface Page 222

The Lord's Prayer, Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #8, Page 213

Prayer after Communion: Page 338

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week
Mitsa & Glenn Stedman Anniversary – April 23rd
Robert Sloane – April 24th
Emma Ramsey – 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 #248/MP #708 – To God be the Glory

Doxology: Pg 214

Dismissal/Blessing: Pg. 215

People: Thanks be to God.

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

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