

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



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FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 10TH, 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.”

HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Andy O'Donnell

Organist: Colin Langille

Greeters: Anita & Gord

Celebrant: Welcome

Opening Hymn: #371 – To God Be the Glory – {Tune: To God be the Glory}

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

Sentence: **God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. {John 3.16}**

Collect of the day: See Page 292

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Holly Dawson

Today's first reading is taken from the book of Numbers, Chapter 21, verses 4-9
{Numbers 21:4-9}

Listen now to the Word of God.....

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

[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 107 verses 1-3 & 17-22 found on Page 852 of the BAS. We shall read the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end on pg. 854.

This morning's second reading is taken from Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 1-10.
{Ephesians 2:1-10}

Listen now to the Word of God.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

[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: #361 – Surely It is God Who Saves Me – {Tune: Ecce, Deus}

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 fourteenth verse. [John 3:14-21]

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

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 Claude Dubois

Gracious God, you loved the world so much that you sent your only Son, not to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him; let your light renew all things as we pray: We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Loving One, you have shown your church the immeasurable riches of your grace and kindness toward us in Christ Jesus, and you have raised us with him to be seated in the heavenly places: Let your light shine through our deeds, that Christ's love may be known throughout the world. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Holy One, you resist fools who take to rebellious ways, and you deliver those who cry to you in their trouble: Turn the hearts of all who govern or hold authority in the world, that they may love the light rather than darkness and do all such good works as you have prepared for them. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Compassionate and healing One, you are light for those who live in darkness, and your saving love extends through all creation: Be with all who suffer throughout the world, that they may be delivered from their distress. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Saving One, you give us the true bread which gives life to the world, and you raise up signs of hope in our suffering: Send your word into our community that we may be healed and tell of your acts with shouts of joy. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Let your gift of eternal life be manifest in all who turn to you for help, especially those for whom we pray, 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, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Donald Sloane, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Ted Neville, Roslyn Macgregor, and Roy Wo. In the wider community, we pray for Patrick Turgeon, Virginia, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Dianne, Luna Utrera, Yolanda,

Pauline, Jerry Prokoki, Ann Barton, Alvin Powell, Sheila & Art Atwood, Veronica Valentine, Carole Alain, Dr. and Mrs. Patenaude, Jordan, Sylvie & Guy, Sharron Edmunds Gillis, Frank Schneider, Bernard LaFleur, Francois Brazeau, George, Ruth and Brent O'Donnell, Pauline Ulric, Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson, Ralph Derry, Territory of the People Bishop Clara Plamondon, and Trinity Episcopal Church Lewiston, Maine. You have lifted up the Son so that all may have eternal life. Let your light shine upon those who have died to save them from the grave, especially for Mrs. Monique Boivin. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Please keep Mrs Monique Boivin's family in your prayers. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good; **your mercy endures for ever.**

Presider: Good and generous God, you are rich in mercy; out of your great love you loved us even when we were dead in our trespasses, and you have made us alive together with Christ: Let your gift of grace shine through our faith, that we may bear your light of eternal life throughout the world, in the power of your Holy Spirit, 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. George, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, the Rev Sinpoh Han, Interim Clergy. In the world, we pray for the Episcopal Church. 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 service continues on Page 191 with the Confession and Absolution

The Peace Page 192

Offertory Hymn: #386 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross – {Tune: Rockingham}

Prayer over the gifts: Page 293

Eucharistic Prayer #1 on Page 193

The Lord's Prayer, Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #7, Page 213

Prayer after Communion: Page 293

Doxology, Pg. 214

Dismissal/Blessing: Page 215

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

**Birthdays this week:
Dani & Bill Bird's Anniversary – March 13th
Donna Lansing – March 14th**

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

Closing Hymn: LP #215 & MP #631 – Tell Out My Soul

Dismissal

Coffee will be served in Randell Hall immediately following the service courtesy of Jennifer & Martin.

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