

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



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**MORNING PRAYER (BAS)
5th SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH, 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.”

MORNING PRAYER
Officiant: Rev'd Andy O'Donnell
Organist: Brenda Sierant

Opening Hymn: #217 – Christ the Lord is Risen Again – {Tune: Wurtemberg(Straf mich night)}

Sentence: I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. {John 14.6}

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

The Invitatory: Easter #10 [pg. 48]

Venite: [Psalm 95:1-7] [pg. 49]

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
Reader: Heather Hancheruk

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

Today's first reading is taken from Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 2 verses 42-47
{Acts 2:42-47}

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

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being 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.

This morning's second reading is from 1 Peter Chapter 2 verses 19-25
{1 Peter 2:19-25}

Listen now for the Word of God....

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

{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

Rev’d 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 first verse. [John 10:1-10]

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

‘Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.’ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again, Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

The Gospel of Christ

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily: Rev’d Andy O’Donnell

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed: Page 52

Prayers of the People with Thanks to Lowell Grisham
Claude Dubois

Presider: Gracious and loving God, you have revealed yourself through the compassion and love of your Son Jesus, and you have called us to follow his example as the way, the truth, and the life; incline your ear to us as we pray: Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

Litanist: You have called your Church to be a royal priesthood, a chosen race, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may build us, like living stones, into a spiritual house: Feed your children with the pure, spiritual milk of your goodness, so that we may grow into the fullness of Christ's stature and do ever greater works in his name. Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

In you, O God, have we taken refuge; make haste to deliver us. Be a tower of strength to lead and guide all who serve in positions of authority, that they may be instruments of your kindness and may protect all who are wrongly threatened. Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

Be present in your wondrous power on behalf of any throughout the world who suffer persecution or threat on account of their witness to God and to the compassion and freedom that come from you, that they may see the glory of your presence and be safe within your eternal life. Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

Show yourself in our community and encourage all troubled hearts, that everyone may see the works of Jesus and know God. Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

Reveal your glory to all who are ill or who suffer in any way; be their strong rock, a castle to keep them safe, as we pray 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, 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. Make your face to shine upon your servants **and in your loving-kindness, save us.**

Presider: Gracious and loving One, you have promised through your Son Jesus that you would do whatever we ask in his name so that you may be glorified in the Son: Help us to believe with such purity of heart, that we may only ask what accords with your will,

and live in the light of Christ's way and truth and life, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and always. **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. Peter Prosser and The Rev. Gaby Rajarison. 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**

Offertory Hymn: #520 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is - {Tune: Dominus Regit Me}

Offertory Prayer: Pg. 341

Collect: Pg. 340

The Lord's Prayer – Pg. 54

Birthdays this Week

Terry Goodfellow – April 30th

Julie Lattinville – May 2nd

Patrick Aura – May 6th

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

Announcements: We would like to Congratulate Ms. Clara Constance Stole on her graduation from High School.

Closing Hymn: #LP #64/MP #204– Hail to the Lord's Anointed.

Dismissal/Blessing: Pg. 55

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Coffee will follow in Randell Hall immediately following the service courtesy of Devon.

Blessing: (Officiant)

All: Amen.

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