

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



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**MORNING PRAYER (BAS)  
6th SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 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: Colin Langille**

Opening Hymn: #007 – New Every Morning Is The Love – {Tune: Ratisbon}

Sentence: **Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple.**

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

The Invitatory: [pg. 47]

**God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.**

**Venite:** [Psalm 95.1-7] [pg. 49]

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**  
**Reader: Clara Constance**

***The Psalm for this morning is Psalm 119 verses 1 to 8 found on Pg. 868 of the BAS. We will all repeat the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end on page 881 (the first one)***

Today's first reading is taken from Sirach, Chapter 15 verses 15-20  
{Sirach 15:15-20}

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

If you choose, you can keep the commandments, and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice. He has placed before you fire and water; stretch out your hand for whichever you choose. Before each person are life and death, and whichever one chooses will be given. For great is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power and sees everything; his eyes are on those who fear him, and he knows every human action. He has not commanded anyone to be wicked, and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

{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 Paul's letter to 1Corinthians, Chapter 3 verses 1-9  
{1Corinthians 3}

Listen now for the Word of God....

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh.

For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

{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: #350 – Stand Up and Bless the Lord- {Tune: St. Thomas}

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 Matthew, in the 5<sup>th</sup> Chapter, beginning at the twenty-first verse. [Matthew 5:21-37]

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

'You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not murder"; and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgement." But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, "You fool", you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

'It was also said, "Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce." But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

'Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord." But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be "Yes, Yes" or "No, No"; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

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**

### **Prayers of the People with Thanks to Lowell Grisham – Claude Dubois**

Presider: You call us always to seek you with all our hearts and to walk in your ways, O Gracious One: Guide us with your wisdom and compassion, as we bring to you the needs of creation, saying: Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts.**

Litanist: Your Church gives thanks for those who have planted and for those who have watered, but most especially to you, O God, for you give the growth: Heal us from all jealousy and quarreling that we may be grateful servants, reconciled before you, working together as God's field, God's building. Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts!**

Your eyes are on us all and you know every human action, O Holy One: Let your spirit of peace and compassion inspire the leaders of our nation and all who hold power in the world, that they may turn away from human inclinations of pride and party spirit, and be servants for the common good. Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts!**

Save any who are threatened by violence, murder, anger and insult throughout the world, for you are mighty in power, O God, and you see everything. Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts!**

Bless us in this community with vision and perseverance, O Righteous One: Let us take seriously our sin, that our eyes and our hands may be just and right, and let any who are in conflict be reconciled to one another. Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts!**

Give us the help of your grace as we pray for those for whom we intercede, especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ron and Gary Agle, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pearce, Olga, Jennifer and Bruce Agle, The McConnell family, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil and Joe Robinson, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Donald Sloane, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Ted Neville, Michel Hamel, 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, Kevin and Linda Gillis Johns, Jerry Prokoki, Ann Barton, Alvin Powell, and Sheila & Art Atwood and Veronica Valentine. Happy are they who walk in God's will, **and seek him with all their hearts!**

Presider: Your wisdom is great, O Holy One, for you have not commanded anyone to be wicked nor have you given anyone permission to sin: Inspire our loving compassion that we may walk in the way of Jesus, and do our part in your work of healing and reconciliation on behalf of the whole world, through our Savior Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever 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 also pray for St. George Clarenceville and St. Thomas, Noyan .In the world we pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines. 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; **Hear our prayers.**

**Offertory Hymn:** #551 – My Faith Looks Up to Thee – {Tune: Olivet}

### **Offertory Prayer**

**God of tender care, in this eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. May we show your love in our lives and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

### **Collect**

**Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life, look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your power make whole all peoples and nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

**\*\*\*The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Beth and Don Gillis from Bill and family.\*\*\***

The Lord's Prayer – Pg. 54

Dismissal/Blessing: Pg. 215

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Birthdays this Week**

Paul Milton – Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>

Patricia Chamberlin (Aura) – Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

Paul Harkin – Feb 14<sup>th</sup>

Marcel Barbier – Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

Bill Gillis – Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>

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

**Closing Hymn:** #LP #67 – Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus – {#207 Mission Praise}

Pot Luck & Coffee will follow in Randell Hall immediately following the service courtesy of Everyone.

Blessing: (Officiant)

**All: Amen.**

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