#### ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

Feast of St. Francis and Blessing of the Animals

The Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost

October 1st, 2023

Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Incumbent: The Venerable John E. Anderson

Celebrant: The Reverend Carol Hardie

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

Music for hymns not in hymn book available at the back of the church.

Prelude "Take Time to Be Holy"

Jeff Campbell, Piano

arr. Cindy Berry

Processional Hymn 416 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Royal Oak

### <u>Welcome</u>

## Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty God,

All

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gathering Hymn "Here I Am to Worship"

Light of the world, You stepped down in darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You. So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came the earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

### The Gathering Prayer

Grant us, Almighty God, after the example of your holy servant Francis, to do what you would have us do, and always to desire what is pleasing in your sight, that cleansed by your love, enlightened by your truth, and kindled with the fire of your Holy Spirit, we may follow in the footsteps of your beloved Son and make our way to you, O God most High; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Proclamation of the Word

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

Galations 6: 14-18 page 1132

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God

## PSALM 148:7-14

Reader Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will; Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; Wild beasts and

all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;

Refrain Alleluia.

Reader Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the

world; Young men and maidens, old and young together. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name only is exalted,

his splendour is over earth and heaven.

Refrain Alleluia.

Reader He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal

servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him.

Hallelujah!

Refrain Alleluia.

## Gospel Acclamation "Glory To God"

Taize

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

## The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew,

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 11:25-30 page 944

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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<u>Sermon</u> Archdeacon John Anderson

<u>Anthem</u> "Give of Your Best to the Master"

St. James' Choir

arr. Joseph M. Martin

Give of your best unto the Master. Give of the strength of your youth. Throw your soul's fresh and glowing ardor into the battle for truth. Jesus has set the example, dauntless was He, young and brave. Give Him your loyal devotion. Give Him the best that you have.

Give of your best to the Master. Give of the strength of your youth. Clad in salvation's full armor, join in the battle for truth.

Give of your best to the Master. Give Him first place in your heart. Give Him first place in your service, consecrate every part. Give, and to you shall be given, for God His only Son gave; gratefully seeking to serve Him, give Him the best that you have.

Give of your best to the Master. Give of the strength of your youth. Clad in salvation's full armor, join in the battle for truth. Give of your best to the Master. Give Him your best!

<u>Musical Meditation Hymn 360</u> "Bless the Lord, My Soul" Sung 2x Bless The Lord

The Prayers of the People Beth Morum, Lay-reader

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Bless The Lord

#### Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon you and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Peace (Please stand if able)

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

(All may exchange a sign of peace with a bow, a smile but please no physical contact)

### **Animal Blessing**

May God, who created the animals of this earth as a help to us, continue to protect and sustain us with the grace God's blessing brings, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, we are fortunate to receive the gift of these friends from You. For those animals that have left this life, please help us to cope with our loss with strength and courage, and that we live on with many fond memories. May our animal friends be treated with care and respect as they have enriched our lives and we pray that they may enrich the lives of others.

We invite you to bring forward you pet for a blessing.

Offertory Hymn 414 "God of the Sparrow"

Roeder

#### The Celebration of the Eucharist

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Loving God, join our offering to the sacrifice of your only Son, that our service may be stamped with his humility and bear the image of his obedience; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Eucharistic Prayer #3 (BAS pg. 198)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, because in the fellowship of your saints you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling. Therefore we join our voices with theirs as earth and heaven untie to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (732 CP)

Community Mass/R. Proulx

ΑII

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you,. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out death into life.

On the night he as handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and brings us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the
power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread (BAS pg. 212)

Celebrant "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

Celebrant These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei (747 CP)

Schubert/Proulx

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Communion

Communion Hymns

Hymn 61 "As We Gather"

Ecce, Deus

#### Hymn "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

Maryton

- V1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
- V2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.
- V3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.
- V4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

#### Prayer After Communion

God of all goodness, who gave to your servant Francis a will to be the servant of all, grant us in our service of your gospel to hold back nothing of ourselves for ourselves, that Christ may receive the whole of our lives into the habitations of light and glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Glory to God

Celebrant Glory to God,

All Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

# <u>Blessing</u>

## <u>Announcements</u>

Recessional Hymn 355 "All Creatures of Our God and King" Lasst Uns Erfreuen Verses 1, 3, 7

## <u>Dismissal</u>

## <u>Sung Benediction</u> "I Offer My Life" (Congregation and Choir sing) Don Moen

V1 All that I am, all that I have, I lay them down before You O Lord; all my regrets, all my acclaim, the joy and the pain, I'm making them Yours.

**Refrain** Lord, I offer my life to You, everything I've been through use it for Your glory. Lord, I offer my days to You, lifting my praise to You as a pleasing sacrifice. Lord I offer You my life.

V2 Things in the past, things yet unseen, wishes and dreams that are yet to come true; all of my hopes, all of my plans, my heart and my hands are lifted to You. **Refrain** 

<u>Postlude</u> "Trumpet Tune in C" Jeff Campbell, Organ David N. Johnson

We wish to thank the St. James' Choir for sharing their musical gifts with us this morning.

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