

ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost

September 3rd, 2023

Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Incumbent: The Venerable John E. Anderson

Celebrant: The Reverend Ron McLean

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

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

Preludes Prelude on The Hymn Tune "Evan"
"Jeff Campbell, Organ

Gordon Young

Processional Hymn 381 "Praise, My Soul The King of Heaven" PRAISE MY SOUL

Welcome

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.

People 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 (Insert) "What Is This Place?" KOMT NU MET ZANG

V1

What is this place, where we are meeting? Only a house, the earth its floor. Walls and a roof, sheltering people, windows for light, an open door. Yet it becomes a body that lives when we are gathered here, and know our God is near.

V2

Words from afar, stars that are falling. Sparks that are sown in us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs, and wonders sent from the past are what we need. We in this place remember and speak again what we have heard: God's free redeeming word.

V3

And we accept bread at his table, broken and shared, a living sign. Here in this world, dying and living, we are each other's bread and wine. This is the place where we can receive what we need to increase: God's justice and God's peace.

The Gathering Prayer

O God, whose word burns like a fire within us: grant us a bold and faithful spirit, so that, in your strength, we may be unafraid to speak your word and follow where you lead; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.** Opening Prayers (1997) alt.

Proclamation of the Word PSALM 105 1-6,23-26, 45c

Reader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvellous works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

REFRAIN The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.

Reader: Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.

REFRAIN The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.

Reader: Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth, O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen.

REFRAIN The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.

Reader: Israel came into Egypt, and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham. The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; he made them stronger than their enemies; Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, and dealt unjustly with his servants. He sent Moses his servant, and Aaron whom he had chosen.

Hallelujah!

REFRAIN The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Romans 12: 9-21 page 1101

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

Gospel Acclamation Hymn 386 "When I Survey"

Rockingham Verses 1

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 16: 21-28 page 951

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Hymn 386 "When I Survey" *Rockingham Verse 2*

Sermon The Reverend Ron McLean

Solo "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" *G.F. Handel*

Alexandra Teske, Soprano

I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the later day upon the earth. And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God, yet in my flesh shall I see God. For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first-fruits of them that sleep, of them that sleep.

Affirmation of Faith - The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Musical Meditation Hymn “# 458 “Seek Ye First” Verse 1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness; And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia

The Prayers of the People *Beth Morum, Lay-reader*

Musical Meditation Hymn # 458 “Seek Ye First” Verse 2

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek, and ye shall find. Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, Alleluia

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)

Offertory Hymn 455“ Dear God, Compassionate and Kind”

REPTON

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #2 (BAS pg. 196)

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.**

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (732 CP)

Community Mass/R. Proulx

All **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 Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that

together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

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 We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

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

All Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei (745 CP)

arr. B.G. Senchur

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 Hymn (INSERT) "Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me" TOPLADY

V1

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee. Let the water and the blood from thy wounded side which flowed be of sin the double cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.

V2

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands. Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone. Thou must save, and thou alone.

V3

Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to thy cross I cling; naked, come to thee for dress, helpless, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

V4

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyelids close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgement throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

(INSERT) "I Want To Walk as a Child of the Light" HOUSTON

V1

I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world, the star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all, the night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

V2

I want to see the brightness of God, I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

V3

I'm looking for the coming of Christ, I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain

Prayer After Communion

Almighty God, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of 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.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn 435 "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Mozart

Dismissal

Sung Benediction "I Offer My Life"

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

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.

Postlude "Rejoice, The Lord Is King" Albin C. Whitmore *Jeff Campbell, Organ*

We wish to thank Alexandra Teske for sharing her musical gifts with us this morning.

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