

ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

November 24th, 2024

The Reign of Christ

Holy Eucharist -10:00 am

Celebrants: Archdeacon John and Rev. Carol

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

Organ Prelude: "Air" *J.S. Bach*

Processional Hymn #383 (CP) "Jesus Shall Reign" *Duke Street*

Welcome

Gathering of the Community

Pilgrims on the way, when we feel lost and ask for a sign to show us the way out of our confusion,

We remember that when we gather to worship, we find God in our midst.

When we face obstacles and barriers that keep us from the life God has called us to,

We remember that God is always at work among us, protecting and tending our well-being.

When cannot find our way out of conflict and discord,

We remember that God calls and equips us for the work of reconciliation.

When we struggle to pay attention to how God is at work all around us,

We remember God's call to sit, eat, and tell one another the stories of God's faithfulness.

Pilgrims on the way, when we watch for signs of God among us,

**Let us remember that we too are signs of God's presence for others!
Amen.**

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, March 2023.)

Gloria #702 (CP) "Glory to God"
Alexandra Teske, Soloist

G. Senchur

Congregation, please join with the choir on each refrain.

Gathering Prayer

You who are, who were, who are to come, before whose judgement all that is not love fades away: save us from the violence that seeks to claim our hearts, so that we may hear a different voice and belong to you in truth; through Jesus Christ, the wounded king of all.

Amen. *(Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.*

Gathering Song "King of Kings and Lord of Lords"

Jewish Traditional Song

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah! King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah! Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF 2 SAMUEL 23.1-7

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

Psalm 132.1-13 (14-19)

Alan Cooper, Cantor

REFRAIN:

Lord, remember David, and all the hardships he endured; how he swore an oath to the Lord and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob. "I will not come under the roof of my house," nor climb up into my bed. I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor let my eyelids slumber until I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.

Refrain

"The ark! We heard it was in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Jearim. Let us go to God's dwelling place, let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."

Refrain

Arise, O Lord into your resting place. You and the ark of your strength. Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy for your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your Anointed.

Refrain

The Lord has sworn an oath to David; in truth, he will not break it: "A son, the fruit of your body will I set upon your throne. If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children will sit upon your throne for evermore.

Refrain

For the Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired her for his habitation:
“This shall be my resting-place for ever; here will I dwell, for I delight in her.”

Refrain

“I will surely bless her provisions and satisfy her poor with bread. I will clothe her priests with salvation, and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.

Refrain

“There will I make the horn of David flourish; I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed. As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; but as for him, his crown will shine.”

Refrain

READING FROM THE BOOK OF REVELATION 1.4b-8

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The Gospel John 18.33-37

Before Gospel #345 (CP)“King of Glory, King of Peace” *Gwalchmai*
Verse 1

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’ Jesus answered, ‘Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?’ Pilate replied, ‘I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me.

What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'
(John 18.33-37)

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After Gospel #345 (CP) " King of Glory, King of Peace" Gwalchmai
Verse 3

Sermon Archdeacon John

Anthem "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Gordon Young

The St. James' Choir

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise; the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.
Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
He breaks the power of reigning sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the sinful clean; His blood availed for me.
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim; to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy Name, the honors of Thy Name!

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith.

We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ? **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father? **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? **I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ? **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself? **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth? **I will, with God's help.**

Anointing with Holy Water

Hymn (Insert) "Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed"

W. Boyd

V1

Wonder of wonders, here revealed: God's covenant with us is sealed; and long before we know or pray, God's love enfolds us every day.

V2

Here in this sacrament we see God's grace unbound, for all, for me! May we respond with joyful praise in loving service all our days.

V4

Now we our vow of faith renew, stretch wide our sights to global view; and claim with Christians far and near a larger family held dear.

Let us pray,

God the creator, the rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ. May he keep us faithful to our calling, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Beth Morum, Lay-Reader

Confession & 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 is Kept.

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 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.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn#101 (CP) "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Cruger

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer No. 3 (BAS pg.198)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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. You exalted him as Lord of all creation that he might present to you an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace. Therefore, at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

#732 (CP) "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Community Mass/ R. Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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 was 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;**

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.

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

Breaking of the Bread (BAS pg. 212)

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord. **Give us this bread forever.**

"I am the vine, you are the branches."
May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

The Communion

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei #745 (CP) "Lamb of God"

Mass of Hope

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn:

Hymn (Insert) "I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes"

Dundee

V1

I to the hills will lift my eyes; from whence shall come my aid? My help is from the Lord alone, who heaven and earth has made.

V2

God will not let your foot be moved; your guardian never sleeps; God's watchful and un-slumbering care protects and safely keeps.

V3

Your faithful keeper is the Lord, your shelter and your shade. 'Neath sun or moon, by day or night, you shall not be afraid.

V4

From evil God will keep you safe, provide for all you need. Your going out, your coming in, God will forever lead.

Hymn #531 (CP) "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

On Eagles Wings

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Glory to God

Glory to God, 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.

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Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn #379 (CP) "Rejoice, the Lord is King" *Darwall*

Dismissal

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves! And go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sung Benediction "May the Blessing of God Be Upon You"
William Wright

May the blessing of God be upon you. May God's love light all your way. May the grace of Christ enfold you and peace around you stay. May the Spirit of God dwell within you. May you live in joy each day!

Postlude "Rondeau" *Jean-Joseph Mouret*

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