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THE HOLY EUCHARIST



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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Dear friends, we gather on traditional Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

May we always seek to respect the histories, spiritualities and cultures of First Nations, Metis and Inuit.

May we walk together the path of reconciliation and right relations.

Opening Hymn: 306 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

2 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.

3 He speaks, and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

4 Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come,

and leap, ye lame, for joy!

5 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.

Apostolic Greeting

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

Collect for Purity

Almighty God,
**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.**

Glory to God

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Refrain:



The Collect of the Day

O God, whose image we bear and whose name we carry,
yours is the world and all it contains.

Recall us to our true allegiance,
so that above the powers and rulers of this world
you alone may claim our loyalty and love.
We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Opening Prayers (1997) alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7 (Kermit Mackey)

A reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and to strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:
I will go before you
and level the mountains;
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron;
I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name;
I give you a title, though you do not know me.
I am the Lord, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,
so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the Lord, and there is no other.
I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the Lord do all these things.

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

Psalm 96:1-9

Setting: Gordon Johnston



O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name;
be telling of his salvation from day to day. **R**

Declare his honour among the nations
and his wonders among all peoples.
For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised;
he is more to be feared than all gods. **R**

As for all the gods of the peoples, they are but idols;
but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
Honour and majesty are before him
Strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. **R**

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the peoples
ascribe unto the Lord glory and power.
Give unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name;

bring presents and come into his courts.
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe of him. **R**

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (Renee Larocque)

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: 715

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

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.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism,
as we say,

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

Prayers of the People: (Flo Cheesman)

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this 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.

The Peace

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

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn: 531 You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

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1 You who dwell in the shelter of our God,
who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2 Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield. **R**

3 You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. **R**

4 For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways,
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. **R**

The Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God,
your word inspires our faith.
May we who offer you our praise
trust you in all things.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer 1)

May God be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to God.

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

It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God,
for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,
but opened a path of salvation for all people.
You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah
gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.
Through Moses you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise of salvation.
Therefore, with them, and with all your saints
who have served you in every age,
we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**(Hymn 732) 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.**

Holy God, source of life and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
In the fullness of time,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature,

to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.
He healed the sick
and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,
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."

Gracious God,
his perfect sacrifice
destroys the power of sin and death;
by raising him to life
you give us life for evermore.
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation
and gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,
**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 #2

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God

**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.**

Holy Communion

*For gluten-free wafer, simply indicate to the priest when you come forward.
If you prefer a blessing, just fold your arms across your chest.*

Communion Hymn: 84 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

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1 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
first begotten from the dead,
thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia,

Jesus, true and living bread!

2 Here our humblest homage pay we,
here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray we,
lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia,
thou art here, we ask not how.

3 Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia,
we in worship join with them.

4 Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou wast slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall forevermore remain,
alleluia,
Cleansing us from every stain.

5 Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
stricken Rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died,
alleluia,
risen, ascended, glorified!

Anthem: O Jesus, Every Moment - Stopford

Prayer after Communion

God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament
with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things
keep faith in our hearts and lives,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Doxology

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. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: 433 Lord You Give the Great Commission

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1 Lord you give the great commission
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the Church neglect its mission
And the gospel go unheard
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us

for the work of ministry.

2 Lord, you call us to your service:

"In my name baptize and teach."

That the world may trust your promise,

life abundant meant for each,

Give us all new fervour, draw us

closer in community;

with the Spirit's gifts empower us

for the work of ministry.

3 Lord, you make the common holy:

"This my body, this my blood."

Let your priests, for earth's true glory,

daily lift life heavenward,

asking that the world around us

share your children's liberty;

with the Spirit's gifts empower us

for the work of ministry.

4 Lord You show us love's true measure:

"Father, what they do, forgive."

Yet we hoard as private treasure

all that You so freely give.

May your care and mercy lead us

to a just society;

with the Spirit's gifts empower us

for the work of ministry.

5 Lord You bless with words assuring

"I am with you to the end."

Faith and hope and love restoring,

may we serve as you intend,

and, amid the cares that claim us,

hold in mind eternity;

with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Dismissal

Go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

~ Everyone is invited to stay for Fellowship Hour in the Trinity Room after Service ~

8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Presider/Preacher: Rev Tim Kehoe

Greeter: Marilyn Tough

Reader/Intercessor: Andrea Teekasingh

10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST (BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES)

Presider: Rev Maria Nightingale

Preacher: Rev Tim Kehoe

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Readers: Kermit Mackey, Renee Larocque

Intercessor: Flo Cheesman

Server: Ryan Benjamin

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