

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa

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This land we are upon is the traditional territory of the Algonquin people.



## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10.15 am

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### PRELUDE

*Lamb of God, Most Holy, BWV 618 (J.S. Bach)*

### KYRIE

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### THE PENITENTIAL RITE

Eternal God, Maker of the skies above, lowly Christ, Lover of the earth and its people, unfettered Spirit, Giver of gracious gifts,  
**you are present among us.**

O hidden mystery, sun behind all suns, soul within all souls, in all we touch,  
in all we meet,

**you are present among us.**

As bearers of your image, we come to be reshaped;

**dependent on your mercy, we ask to be made new.**

For the right roads we avoided travelling, and the kindly words we refused  
to share; for the false gods who received our worship, and the true selves  
we have starved of love; God by your grace,

**forgive us.**

For the hidden hurts we have held too tightly, and the promises which  
we never kept; for the careless use of our time and money, and the lame  
excuses we should never have made; God by your grace,

**forgive us.**

For all we should be and all we can amend; God in your love,

**renew us.**

For all you have in store for us and all you may demand of us;  
God in your love,

**prepare us.**

For the life of the world and the love of its people; God, in your love,

**commit us.**

*Silence is kept.*

Hear and believe these words of Jesus: Your sins are forgiven. ✠ Go in  
peace. Come and follow me.

Glory to the Creator who gives us life,

**Glory to Jesus whose love remakes us.**

Glory to the Spirit, companion on our journey.

**Glory be to God. Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT**

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God of the wilderness, your Spirit leads us to face the truth, unprotected  
and exposed: in our times of trial help us to resist the worship of empty  
power, so that we may find our true food in Jesus Christ, the broken bread.

**Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

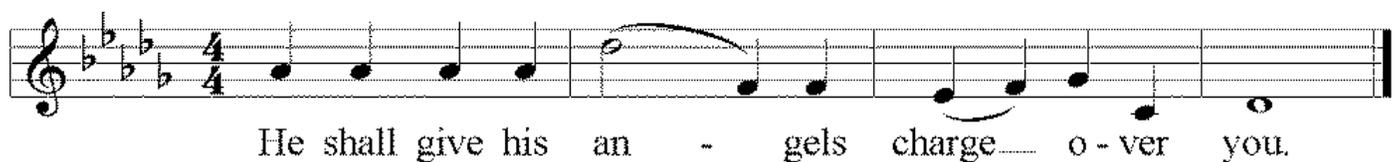
*Deuteronomy 26:1-11*

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16



He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,  
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold,  
my God in whom I put my trust."

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,

and the Most High your habitation.  
There shall no evil happen to you,  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over you,  
to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder;  
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.  
Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him;  
I will protect him, because he knows my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;  
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honour.  
With long life will I satisfy him,  
and show him my salvation.

## **THE SECOND READING**

*Romans 10:8b-13*

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

## **GRADUAL HYMN 180**

*Giver of the Perfect Gift*

## **THE GOSPEL**

*Luke 4:1-13*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was

famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **HOMILY**

**ANTHEM**      *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face (Warren Swenson)*

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us affirm our faith.

**We believe in God, who conceived all that is created,  
God, who fathers and mothers all people.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God's firstborn and only Lord of the earth.  
He came from both heaven and the womb of the virgin Mary;  
he lived in solidarity with humankind,  
befriending, teaching, healing and restoring;  
he was denied and betrayed by his friends;  
and was done to death by the state.**

**He descended to the place of oblivion,  
rose to life again on the third day,  
and ascended to heaven where he sits at God's right hand.  
This same Jesus will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
whose dynamic presence can make all things new.**

**And we believe in the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **THE PEACE**

The peace of God be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### **OFFERTORY HYMN 610**

*Before I Take the Body of the Lord*

### **THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day,  
and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his  
likeness. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to God.**

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

For you, Creator God, the valleys laugh and sing and the trees of the field  
clap their hands. Your earth summons us to break silence and be one  
with the song of creation.  
**We give you thanks and praise.**

For you, God of all, the church in its myriad forms and countless  
languages honours its Saviour. Millions upon millions invite us to be one  
with them in the drama of worship.  
**We give you thanks and praise.**

In heaven, beyond our seeing, the angels and saints are caught up in  
song. And those we have loved and lost are part of that great company.  
They call us to be one with the harmony of heaven. So gladly, we join our  
voices to those of the earth, sea and sky, in the universal song of praise  
which echoes through time and eternity:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are  
 full of your glo-ry, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Long before this building was erected, in open spaces and hard places, people heard of how on the night of his arrest, and aware of what lay ahead of him, Jesus sat at supper with his friends.

During the meal, he took a piece of bread, blessed and broke it, and said to his disciples, 'This is my body, given for you.'

Later in the meal, he took a cup of wine, saying, 'In this cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Drink it, all of you. I will not drink wine again until I do so in the coming kingdom of God.'

Come now, O Christ, bone of our bone, flesh of our flesh, forever bound to us in promise and mystery; breathe your Spirit on us ✠ and on this bread and wine. Let the become for us the seal and sign of your love, healing, redeeming, making us whole.

And through them, let us together become, for you, your body, loving the world as God loves, serving its people as God wills, and always being transformed until we and all humanity resemble the One whose food we now share. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Jesus taught us, we pray:



Our Fa - ther in heav'n, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your  
will be done, on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly  
bread, for - give us our sins, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from e - vil, for the  
king - dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Silence is kept.*

As those who have been invited to his table, feed on this holy food,  
**through which God comes to us, so that we can come to God.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## COMMUNION

*Lead, Kindly Light (Howard Goodall)*

*Please request a gluten-free wafer if required or a blessing if desired.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love.  
Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his  
name. **Amen.**

Generous and faithful God,

**you have fed us at your table. May the nourishment we have received  
enable us to enrich the lives of others wherever we may go from here.**

**Whether the future be dark or bright, the road be smooth or rough,  
whether our cares be light or heavy, our song be strong or weak,  
keep our hearts warm and our hands open, our lives ever embracing  
and every embraced by your love. Amen.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

The blessing of God, ✠ sure, strong and kindly, be around you and within you, now and all the days and nights of your journey home. **Amen.**

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN 482**

*Come and Journey*

### **DISMISSAL**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

*Christ, Who Makes Us Holy, BWV 620 (J.S. Bach)*

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