



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

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*A diverse and vibrant parish that glorifies God and welcomes all people*

*Anishinabe aking ate awaso kikinawadjichigan  
This land we are upon is the traditional territory of the Algonquin people*

## **THURSDAY AT TWILIGHT CATHEDRAL EVENSONG November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 5.30 pm**

*Clement, Bishop of Rome  
(transferred November 23<sup>rd</sup>)*

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Today we honour Clement of Rome, who flourished at the dawn of the Church's history and is known to us as the author of a pastoral letter written around the year 96.

He seems to have been a slave who adopted the name of his former master, Clemens, in gratitude for being granted his freedom. We do not know how or when he became a Christian, and though it is clear he rose to a position of leadership in the Roman church, we cannot be sure what office he held or what role he performed. One tradition lists him as the third bishop of Rome after St. Peter and says that he reigned between the years 90 and 100. But other evidence suggests that the church in first-century Rome was governed by a council of presbyters, not by a single bishop. In that case, Clement may have been the president of this council or simply the presbyter who acted as minister for relations with other churches.

Whatever his office, he wrote a pastoral letter to the church at Corinth after a group of its junior clergy had convinced the rest of their community to depose its ruling council of presbyters. Clement wrote on behalf of the Roman church and castigated the rebels for their pride, then rebuked the entire community for letting partisan strife go so far. His argument does not follow a straight line, but instead presents a round of variations on the theme of pride and true humility, self-will and Christian obedience. He concluded with this advice:

"Is there anyone among you who had a noble mind, who is compassionate, who overflows with love? Let such a person say: 'If I am the cause of any disorder, friction, or division among you, I will remove myself. I will go away, anywhere you wish, and I will do anything the congregation says – only let there be peace between Christ's flock and their appointed presbyters.' Anyone who does this will earn a great name in Christ and be sure of a welcome anywhere, because 'the earth is the Lord's and everything in it.'"

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## ORDER OF SERVICE

### Prelude

### Opening Sentence

*Ephesians 4:3*

Make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

### Versicles and Responses

*Richard Ayleward*

### Psalm 78:1-7

*Hear my teaching, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old; Which we have heard and known, and such as our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children, but tell them to the generation to come, even the praises of the Lor, and his might, and his wonderful works that he hath done. He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law, which he commanded our fore- fathers to teach their children; That the next generation might know it, and the children which were yet unborn; To the intent that when they rose up, they might show their children the same.*

### The First Lesson

*2 Kings 2:9-14*

The Lesson is written in the second chapter of the second book of Kings, beginning at the ninth verse.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Here endeth the lesson.

### Magnificat

*Service in C – C.V. Stanford*

## The Second Lesson

Luke 6:37-45

The Lesson is written in the sixth chapter of the book of Luke, beginning at the thirty-seventh verse.

'Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

He also told them a parable: 'Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, "Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye", when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye.

'No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit; for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks.

Here endeth the lesson.

## Nunc Dimittis

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## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
**maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Lesser Litany

## The Lord's Prayer, Versicles and Responses

## The Collect of the Day

O God, you chose your servant Clement of Rome to recall the church of Corinth to peace in the body of Christ. By the power of your Holy Spirit dwelling in the Body of your Son, reveal what is not yet known, confirm what you have already revealed, and keep us blameless in our service of your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Second and Third Collects

### Anthem

*O thou the central orb – Charles Wood*

*O thou the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the most High, eternal Light of this our wintry world, thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above. Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine; thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight gives measur'd grace to each, they power to prove. Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all shall feel eternal day, in fellowship with thee, transforming day to souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.*

### Prayers

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: look favourably upon thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of thy perpetual providence carry out the work of our salvation; that things which were cast down may be raised up, and that all things may return into unity through him by whom all things were made, even thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful: sanctify this parish by thine abiding presence. Bless those who minister in holy things. Enlighten the minds of thy people more and more with the light of the everlasting Gospel. Bring erring souls to the knowledge of God our Saviour; and those who are walking in the way of life, keep steadfast unto the end. Give patience to the sick and afflicted, and renew them in body and soul. Guard from forgetfulness of thee those who are strong and prosperous. Increase in us thy manifold gifts of grace, and make us all to be fruitful in good works; O blessed Spirit, whom with the Father and the Son together we worship and glorify, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray thee, in the hearts of all the true love of peace, and guide with thy pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquillity thy kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who art afflicted in the afflictions of thy people: regard with thy tender compassion those in anxiety and distress; bear their sorrows and their cares; supply all their manifold needs; and help both them and us to put our whole trust and confidence in thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Heavenly Father, who in thy Son Jesus Christ hast given us a true faith and a sure hope: help us, we pray thee, to live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting; and strengthen this faith and hope in us all the days of our life; through the love of thy Son Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in thy mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Evening Respond

### The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

### Postlude

*Following the service, you are welcome to remain in your pew and enjoy some quiet time in the sacred space. When ready to depart, please exit the church directly, as we are not permitted to gather and visit inside. Thank you!*

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