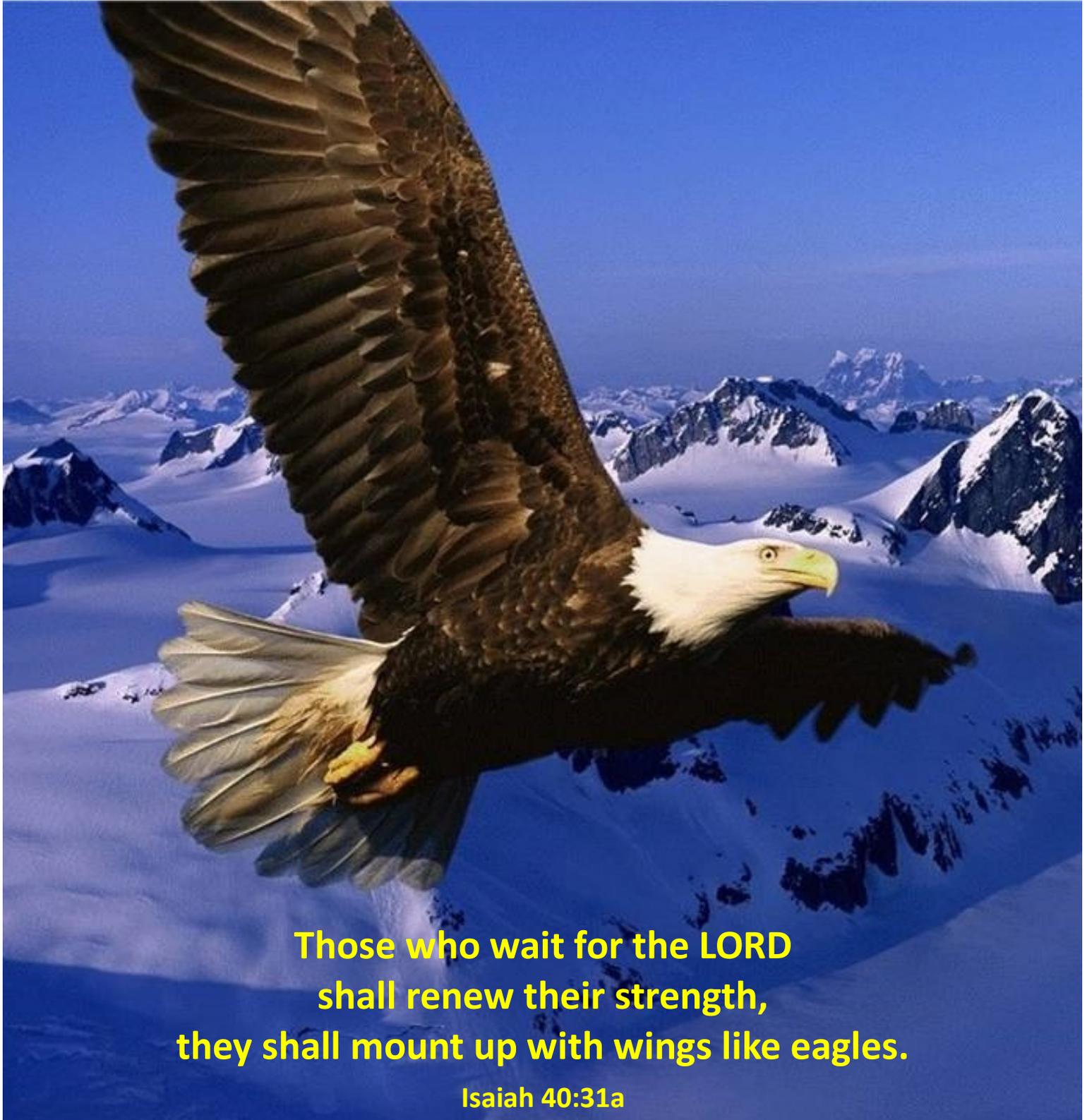




Order of Service for February 7, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Epiphany
Service of Spiritual Communion
9:30 am
Officiating: The Rev'd Fergus Tyson



**Those who wait for the LORD
shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles.**

Isaiah 40:31a

Service of Spiritual Communion

The Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: Come, Now is the Time to Worship (screens)

Greeting (screens)

Collect for Purity (screens)

Glory to God (screens)

Collect of the Day (screens)

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c (screens)

The First Reading

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

ISAIAH 40:21-31

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: Great is Thy Faithfulness (screens)

The Holy Gospel

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

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and

she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

MARK 1:29-39

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Nicene Creed (screens)

The Prayers of the People

Responsive Litany (screens)

Prayers in Response to COVID-19 (screens)

Confession and Absolution (screens)

The Peace (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer (screens)

The Lord's Prayer (screens)

The Breaking of the Bread (screens)

The Communion (screens)

Prayer for Communion (screens)

Prayer after Communion (screens)

Doxology (screens)

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: Power of Your Love (screens)

Dismissal (screens)

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**Virtual Coffee Time Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87399496922?pwd=eWxvZDdTYUVuNjJlZdUZ4MjFHWFdQdzog>

## Prayers for This Week

*(Bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week.)*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for *the Anglican Church of Burundi.*

In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for the *Rt. Rev. John Watton, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Central Newfoundland* and in the Lutheran Church we pray for *the dean, council, and congregations of the Two Rivers, Nith Valley and Niagara Areas of the Eastern Synod.*

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people of the parish of *St. Peter, Calgary* and for their clergy *Jagdutt Singh and Rosemary Bishop.*

We lift to you our friends, in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands.

In our Parish Cycle, *we pray for the safety and well-being of all members of our Parish, and pledge to stay connected with one another and face the challenges of COVID-19 together; we remember our clergy, Fergus, Cyril, Norman, Bob, and their families; and we especially uphold all who are infirm, immune-compromised, or on the front lines in this battle.*

We pray for our foster child *Desta Keweti.*

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you *the family of Joy (Abby's sister); Antony; Judy; Raymond (uncle of Paul); Dinah; the family of John; Debra, Lori and family of Josie; Crystal (niece of Rosemarie); Bill & Pat; Steve; the family of Bob; the family of Carmen; John; the family of Bonnie; Gerald; Gerald and Louise (Shannon's father and mother); Megan and family, Molly (mother of Sian); the family of Simon; Stephen; Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin); Donna; Jo; the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers); the family of Joan (mother of Richard); Tracy; Roxie and the family of Andy; Harry (friend of Ian and Kathleen); Julia; the Herritt family in their bereavement; Gina; Gael; Verna and her family; Michael; Barb; Jen; the family of Leslie; Patrick, Jordan; the family of Lene; the family of Helen; Eleanor; Jackie K. (sister of Pauline); Dorothy; the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella ); Max & Rebecca; Anne; Dozy & Obie & family; Karla; the family of Kathy; Kevin; Richard (friend of Anne); Terry; Jerrod; Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn); Dennis; Mike; Val; Martin; Chinazor; Sheila; Melissa and her family; Adrianna; Peggy; Bob and Joanne; Laura (sister of Kim); the family of Douglas; Michelle; Ian; Pat; Christine; Rick (brother of Sheila); Gwen; Jacquie; Gwen (aunt of Julie), Jackie (cousin of Julie), Ellen; Pauline; Monika (mother of Dennis); Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne); Trudy (cousin of Iona); Len; Andrea and Andrew's family; Margaret; Marlene; the family of James (father of Allison); and the Rev'd Tim Webster.*

*We pray for containment of the COVID-19 coronavirus worldwide; protection for nurses and all those on the front lines or especially vulnerable to its effects, in particular all who are homeless; and full restoration of health for all those who are ill.*

We pray for all struggling economically, and all those affected by fires, floods, storms or other natural disasters. We pray for us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. *We remember the USA and Iran. We pray for the people Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for those whom violence has forced to flee their homes. We pray for an end to racism and discrimination, and all acts of hatred. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be.* We pray for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

*We thank you for Murray, Karen, Dan, Gloria, Loret, and Kerry, who are stepping down after serving faithfully in the Ministries of Incumbent's Warden and Christian Education Contact on Parish Council; Treasurer; MCES Treasurer; Sunday School Coordinator and Children's and Youth Ministry Contact on Parish Council; Outreach Contact on Parish Council; and Stewardship Contact on Parish Council, respectively.*

*We thank you for Ingrid, Tosan, Shannon, John, and Laura Anne, for volunteering to serve in these Ministries. We pray for you to equip them by the power of the Holy Spirit, to bless them, and others through them.*

We thank you for your healing touch, which sustains us every day; and for all the many healings that have taken place in our parish; and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.



The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God.