



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

PARTNERING WITH ST. LUKE'S OTTAWA

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 28th, 2021

10.30 am Sung Holy Eucharist (Live-streamed)

Service music: Deutsche Messe – Franz Schubert

Prelude

Attende Domine – Jeanne Demessieux

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Lent Prose

Tone V Plainsong (arr. Larkin)

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us; for we have sinned against thee. God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated; bow down and hearken to thy weeping children; pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

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.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures for ever.

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.

Sentence of the Day

Galatians 6:14

I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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.

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.**

Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise – Leoni

*The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love;
Jehovah, great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed:
I bow and bless the sacred Name forever blest.*

*The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne, to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God's face; I shall God's power adore,
and sing the wonders of God's grace forevermore.*

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you

throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:22-30

Praise the Lord, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them. My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!" All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him. My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Reading

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ex ore innocentium – John Ireland

It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be, that God's own Son should come from heaven, and die to save a child like me. And yet I know that it is true: He chose a poor and humble lot, and wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died, for love of those who loved him not. I sometimes think about the Cross, and shut my eyes, and try to see the cruel nails and crown of thorns, and Jesus crucified for me. But even could I see him die, I should but see a little part of that great love, which, like a fire, is always burning in his heart. And yet I want to love thee, Lord; O light the flame within my heart, and I will love thee more and more, until I see thee as thou art.

Holy Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn

Blessed Jesus, at your word – Liebster Jesu

*Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you;
let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you,
by your gospel pure and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely.*

*Glorious Lord, yourself impart! Light of light, from God proceeding;
open lips and ears and heart, help us by your Spirit's leading.
Hear the cry your church raises; Lord, accept our prayers and praises!*

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.

Litany

Let us pray.

With confidence and trust, let us pray to the Lord singing: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church throughout the world; for the churches of the Anglican Communion, and for this Diocese of Ottawa: that in faithful witness the Gospel of God's love may be preached with word and actions, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all of us in our Lenten journey: that we may further the kingdom of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of Canada and the leaders of every nation, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among all peoples; for the peace of Jerusalem and peace across the world; we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who are touched by conflict and war, for all combatants, all casualties, all refugees, all victims: that your presence and your peace will surround all women, children and men, whose humanity has been damaged or distorted by violence, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who suffer alone; those who ache with pain or hunger; those who tremble in fear or anxiety; those who are vulnerable or exploited: that they may be relieved and protected by people of kindness and justice, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all whom we have injured or offended by words, by actions, by ignorance or by neglect: that we may have grace to amend our lives and to show forth your love, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the peace of Christ; for those known to us, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know the secrets of our human hearts and the scope of our mortal minds; you know our needs before we ask: grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross – Rockingham

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the cross of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

We invite you to make an offering to the Cathedral at this time by sending an e-transfer to info@ottawacathedral.ca or by going to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/5519>. Thank you!

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name. *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 and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

We break this bread,
Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying,
If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

Communion

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

Agnus Dei

Motet

Close in my breast thy perfect love – David Lord

Jesu, thy perfect love close in my breast that I thee love and never rest and make me love of all things best. And wound my heart in thy love free that I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

THE SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prayer after Communion

Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 and Dismissal

May the God of mercy transform you by grace, and the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

God in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

At the name of Jesus – King's Weston

*At the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him King of glory now;
'tis his Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.*

*Humbled for a season to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious when from death he passed;*

*Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of Glory now.*

Postlude

Toccata (opus 53/6) – Louis Vierne

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READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

March 7th, 2021 – Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

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