

Holy Trinity Anglican Church Metcalfe  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Service of Morning Prayer  
March 17, 2024

Leader: We acknowledge that our diocese now occupies unceded land that has been and remains home to Mohawk, Anishinaabe and Algonquin people. May we who dwell on, or visit this land, also be good stewards and honour those who came before us.

All: **May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

Leader: Lord, open our lips

All: **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: O God, make speed to save us.

All: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Leader: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

Leader: Come; let us sing to the Lord;

All: **let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.**

Leader: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

All: **and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

Leader: For the Lord is a great God,

All: **and a great king above all gods.**

Leader: In his hand are the caverns of the earth,

All: **and the heights of the hills are his also.**

Leader: The sea is his for he made it,

All: **and his hands have moulded the dry land.**

Leader: Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,

All: **and kneel before the Lord our maker,**

Leader: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and sheep of his hand.

All: **Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice.**

Leader: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

All: **serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**

Leader: Know this: The Lord himself is God;

All: **he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;

All: **give thanks to him and call upon his name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;

All: **and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Reader: The first reading is from the Book of Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. JEREMIAH 31:31-34

The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Reader: Psalm 119:9-16

How shall a young man cleanse his way?

All: **By keeping to your words.**

Reader: With my whole heart I seek you;

All: **let me not stray from your commandments.**

Reader: I treasure your promise in my heart,

All: **that I may not sin against you.**

Reader: Blessed are you, O Lord;

All: **instruct me in your statutes.**

Reader: With my lips will I recite

All: **all the judgements of your mouth.**

Reader: I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees

All: **than in all manner of riches.**

Reader: I will meditate on your commandments

All: **and give attention to your ways.**

Reader: My delight is in your statutes;

All: **I will not forget your word.**

Reader: A Reading from the Letter To The Hebrews

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. HEBREWS 5:5-10

The Word of the Lord  
All: **Thanks be to God**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 12:20-33)

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

Leader: Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

Hear, O Israel

**All: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.**

Reader: With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy." For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord. All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; and Linda, our Primate and The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle, The Ministry of Reconciliation and our National Indigenous Archbishop, The Most Rev. Christopher Harper. For The Area Parish of South Carleton and St. John the Baptist, Richmond and The Reverend Allan Budzin and Deacon Tamara Connors. For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, remembering those in our parish family Mike, Meredith, Liesa, Marjorie, Randy, Richard, Deb, Leonard, Louise, Howard, Irene, Beth, Jeanette, Cheryl, Zachariah and those who are known to you alone, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: As we engage in a Time of Prayer across our diocese to listen for your divine sparks in our midst, we remember that you, O God, have been with your church since its beginning. You are with us now, and you will be with us as we prayerfully discern how to support your action in the world you love. Help us keep our hearts and minds open to hear your desires for our diocesan church, our parish, and our communities, and give us your wisdom and grace so that we can faithfully bring them to fruition. In Jesus' name we pray.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: And now as our Saviour Christ taught us, we are bold to say:

All: **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.**

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore

All: **Amen**

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