

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Metcalfe
Service of Morning Prayer
May 5, 2024
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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!**

Invitatory

Leader: The Lord is our refuge and strength: O come, let us worship.

Venite

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.**

Jubilate - Psalm 100

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.**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

All: **therefore let us keep the feast,**

Leader: Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *

All: **but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia!**

Leader: Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

All: **death no longer has dominion over him.**

Reader: The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;

All: **but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

Leader: So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *

All: **and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!**

Leader: Christ has been raised from the dead, *

All: **the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

Leader: For since by a man came death, *

All: **by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

Leader: For as in Adam all die, *

All: **so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!**

Reader: The first reading is from the Book of Acts (10:44-48)

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Reader: Our Psalm today is Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things. With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.

All: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

Reader: The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

All: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

Reader: Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing. Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

All: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

Reader: With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord. Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.

All: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

Reader: Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth. In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with

equity.

All: **The Lord has made known his salvation.**

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter Of John (1 JOHN 5:1-6) Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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 15:9-17)

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

Leader: Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." The Gospel of Christ.

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

Reflection

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.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name.

All: **Amen**

Reader: Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy." Let us ask the Lord for a day fulfillment and peace.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Let us pray for Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate. For The Diocese of Jerusalem and Archbishop Hosam Naoum and The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; Bishop Susan Johnson and Bishop Michael Pryse. For St. Barnabas, Ottawa and The Reverend Canon Stewart Murray and for The Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen, its groups, and members.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Let us ask the Lord to teach us to love others as he has loved us.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Let us ask the Lord for peace and justice in the world.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Let us ask the Lord to strengthen and relieve those who are in need, remembering those in our parish family Liesa, Marilyn, Marjorie, Randy, Richard, Deb, Louise, Howard, Irene, Beth, Jeanette, Cheryl, Zachariah and those who are known to you alone.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Let us ask the Lord to renew the Church through the power of his life-giving Spirit.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Amazing God, you have fulfilled the word of your promise and have poured out upon your church the gift of the Holy Spirit: open our hearts and renew our will. We pray to receive the fullness of your grace and power; that our lives and that of our parishes would be strengthened for the service of your kingdom to which we are being called. Kindle in us the fire of your love that we may be transformed into the image of your Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive 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. Alleluia**

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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