



Advent 2 December 6 2020

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRIEST We acknowledge the traditional territory upon which we worship. For many thousands of years, the Algonquin people have walked gently on this land. We acknowledge their stewardship and seek a new relationship based in honour and deep respect.

GRACE

PRIEST: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all

ALL: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPENING RESPONSES - Advent 2 B

LEADER: John the Baptist said, "Prepare the way." So family of faith, how do we prepare our minds for worship?

ALL: We silence the inner critic. We let go of busy thoughts. We make space for God to speak.

LEADER: How do we prepare our hearts for worship?

ALL: We bless all emotions. We feel what we feel. We open ourselves up to be moved.

LEADER: How do we prepare our bodies for worship?

ALL: We take in the scent, sight, and feel of this space. We breathe in God's mercy. We exhale God's love.

LEADER: How do we prepare our souls for worship?

ALL: We bring our full selves into this space. We wear our hearts on our sleeves. We trust that even now, God is here.

LEADER: Family of faith, what we practice in worship, we must live out in our daily lives.

ALL: So prepare the way. Let us worship Holy God.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

PRIEST: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord

ALL: Jesus is the light of the world a light no darkness can extinguish.

PRIEST: We light the candle of peace as we joyfully wait for the coming of Jesus.

[Candle is lit]

PRIEST: Come, Lord Jesus, into our world, into our church, into our homes

ALL: Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come!

COLLECT ADVENT 2

PRIEST: Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

ALL: Amen.

FIRST READING *Isaiah 40: 1-11*

SECOND READING *2 Peter 3:8-15a*

GOSPEL

PRIEST: *Please stand...* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

PEOPLE: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

[Mark 1 :1-8]

PRIEST: The Gospel of Christ...

PEOPLE: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION

APOSTLES CREED

PRIEST: I believe in God, the Father almighty ...

ALL: 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRIEST: Let us pray... Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people:

We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord:

And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Shane our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee

and the Holy Ghost, be glory, world without end.

ALL: Amen.

THE CONFESSION

PRIEST: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy. He welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God...

ALL: ...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

THE ABSOLUTION

PRIEST: 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.

ALL: Amen

THE PEACE

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

PEOPLE: And also with you.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS - BCP

PRIEST: Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High. Blessed be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever.

ALL: All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRIEST: And now, as our saviour Christ has 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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 5

PRIEST: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts

ALL: We lift them to the Lord

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise

PRIEST: We give you thanks and praise, almighty
God, for the gift of a world full of wonder,
and for our life which comes from you.

By your power you sustain the universe.

PEOPLE Glory to you for ever and ever.

PRIEST: You created us to love you with all our
heart, and to love each other as ourselves,
but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world
and gather us into one great family.

Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in
heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power
and might, heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blest is the One who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRIEST: We give you thanks and praise, loving
Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us,
you showed us how much you love us.

He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers
with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and
forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame
hatred with love.

On the cross he defeated the power of sin and
death. By raising him from the dead, you show us
the power of your love to bring new life to all your
people.

PEOPLE Glory to you for ever and ever.

PRIEST: On the night before he gave up his life
for us,

Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave

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thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the
blessing, gave it to his friends, and said,
"Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for many, so that sins
may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

PEOPLE Glory to you for ever and ever.

PRIEST: Gracious God, with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,
and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus in the
breaking of bread, and share in the life of the
family of your children.

PEOPLE Glory to you for ever and ever.

PRIEST: Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all
the world may gather in joy at the table of your
kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father,
through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy
Spirit, now and for ever.

PEOPLE Glory to you for ever and ever.
Amen.

PRE-COMMUNION

PRIEST: The gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God,
we most heartily thank thee that thou dost
graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body
and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness
towards us; and that we are living members of his
mystical body, which is the blessed company of all
faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of
thy everlasting kingdom.

ALL: And here we offer and present unto
thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies,
to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice
unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet
we beseech thee to accept this our bounden
duty and service, not weighing our merits, but
pardoning our offences;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

PRIEST blesses the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

PRIEST dismisses the Congregation

ALL: Thanks be to God!