Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

"But love your enemies and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil people."

Luke 6: 27-38



10:30 Service of Holy Eucharist Sunday, February 20, 2022

"Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation"

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

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: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. *John 13.34*

Please stand.

All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along O praise Him alleluia Thou rising moon in praise rejoice Ye lights of evening find a voice O praise Him O praise Him Alleluia alleluia alleluia Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in One
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

WELCOME

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

GREETING

Rev. Oz: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Be Still

Be still for the presence of the Lord The Holy One is here Come bow before Him now With reverence and fear In Him no sin is found We stand on holy ground Be still for the presence of the Lord The Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around He burns with holy fire With splendor He is crowned How awesome is the sight Our radiant King of light Be still for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place He comes to cleanse and heal To minister His grace No work too hard for Him In faith receive from Him Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love.
Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading - Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Reader: A reading from Genesis

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come closer to me." And they came closer. And he said, "I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. Now do not be grieved or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to keep you alive by a great deliverance. Now, therefore, it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his household and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father. and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, "God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall live in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children and your flocks and your herds and all that you have. There I will also provide for you, for there are still five years of famine to

come, and you and your household and all that you have would be impoverished."...

He kissed all his brothers and wept on them, and afterward his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

- ¹ Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; **do not be jealous of those who do wrong.**
- ² For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.
- ³ Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- ⁴ Take delight in the Lord,

and he shall give you your heart's desire.

- ⁵ Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, and he will bring it to pass.
- ⁶ He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.
- ⁸ Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- ⁹ Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;

do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

¹⁰ For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

¹¹ In a little while the wicked shall be no more;

you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

¹² But the lowly shall possess the land;

they will delight in abundance of peace.

- ⁴¹ But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; **he is their stronghold in time of trouble.**
- ⁴² The Lord will help them and rescue them;

he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Reader: A reading from 1 Corinthians

But someone will say, "How are the dead raised? And with what kind of body do they come?" You fool! That which you sow does not come to life unless it dies; and that which you sow, you do not sow the body which is to be, but a bare grain, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body just as He wished, and to each of the seeds a body of its own...

So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown a perishable body, it is raised an imperishable body; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. So also it is written, "The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural; then the spiritual. The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man is from heaven. As is the earthy, so also are those who are earthy; and as is the heavenly, so also are those who are heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we will also bear the image of the heavenly. Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel – Luke 6:27-38

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

"But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Whoever hits you on the cheek, offer him the other also; and whoever takes away your coat, do not withhold your shirt from him either. Give to everyone who asks of you, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back. Treat others the same way you want them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; and do not condemn, and you will not be condemned; pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Oz Lorentzen

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Please stand.
THE NICENE CREED

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel or sit to pray.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: 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.

Rev. Oz: 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

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Be Still My Soul (Finlandia)

Be still my soul the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still my soul thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Be still my soul when dearest friends depart And all is darkened in the vale of tears Then shalt thou better know His love His heart Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears Be still my soul thy Jesus can repay From His own fullness all He takes away

Be still my soul the hour is hast'ning on When we shall be forever with the Lord When disappointment grief and fear are gone Sorrow forgot love's purest joys restored Be still my soul when change and tears are past All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Be still my soul begin the song of praise On earth believing to thy Lord on high Acknowledge Him in all thy words and ways So shall He view thee with a well-pleased eye Be still my soul the Sun of life divine Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Merciful God,

accept all we offer you this day.

Lead us to love you with all our heart,
and to love all people with your perfect love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: 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.

Rev. Oz: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Rev. Oz: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation,

the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation:

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, And deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. Oz: "We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world."

People: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer Ministry is available by the font.

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. You may receive communion at either the front or at the rear of the church, when available. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring your love. Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord; And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Chorus

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness, ever joy

Make me a channel of your peace It is in pardoning that we are pardoned In giving to all men that we receive And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

His Mercy is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more **[chorus]**

Trust And Obey

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word
What a glory He sheds on our way
While we do His good will
He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey

Trust and obey
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus
But to trust and obey

Not a shadow can rise
Not a cloud in the skies
But His smile quickly drives it away
Not a doubt nor a fear
Not a sigh nor a tear
Can abide while we trust and obey [Chorus]

Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way
What He says we will do
Where He sends we will go
Never fear only trust and obey [Chorus]

Post Communion Song Make Us A Prayer

Make me a prayer
Let my prayer be a cry
Humble my heart
So that You may draw nigh

Cause me to stand
And cry out for this land
Cause me to be
One who's set free
To stand as a house of prayer

Make us a prayer Let our prayers be a cry Humble our hearts So that You may draw nigh [Chorus]

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Gracious God,

in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people.

Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfillment in your presence.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,

People: 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.

THE BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Song For The Nations

May we be a shining light to the nations A shining light to the peoples of the earth Till the whole world sees the glory of Your name May Your pure light shine through us

May we bring a word of hope to the nations A word of life to the peoples of the earth Till the whole world knows There's salvation through Your name May Your mercy flow through us

May we be a healing balm to the nations A healing balm to the peoples of the earth Till the whole world knows the power of Your name May Your healing flow through us

May we sing a song of joy to the nations A song of praise to the peoples of the earth Till the whole world rings With the praises of Your name May Your song be sung through us May Your kingdom come to the nations
Your will be done in the peoples of the earth
Till the whole world knows that Jesus Christ is Lord
May Your kingdom come in us
May Your kingdom come in us
May Your kingdom come on earth

DISMISSAL

Leader: We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People: In the name of Christ. Amen

Prayers of the People – February 23rd, 2025

James wrote, "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." (James 5:16b) This week we pray especially for:

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land & Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Most Reverend Anne Germond, Acting Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

greja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

St. George, Stettler The Rev. Brent Schulze The Rev. Jack Schulze (Hon.)

In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

St. Phillip, Mesopotamia with St. Matthias and St. Joseph, on St. Vincent The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis

In the Anglican Church of Canada

The Most Rev. David Edwards, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Fredericton

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

The dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod

The Moravian Church in Canada

The anniversary of the founding of the Unitas Fratrum (or Unity of the Brethren) on March 1, 1457, in Bohemia.

Together

An end to human trafficking and modern slavery

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark Councillor Allison Knodel of Medicine Hat

OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship Persecuted Christians everywhere

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Haven Church: Justin & Amanda James

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec Shirley Greenfield, Henk & Nora Hak, & Pearl; Hammel; & their families.

Everyone who participates in the readings.

Compassion Canada & Teguh and Jerusha (4yrs old) in Indonesia

The GriefShare Program

The Saturday Meal Program

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Celeste; John C; Mike; Jim; Sherry; Deanna; Betty Ann; Scott; Kevin; Wade; Helen; Harvey; Arleen; Becca; Chase; Alicia and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713.

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

Reverend Oz Lorentzen

Celebrant Lay Reader

Prayers of the People

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Greeters Billie Yasinchuk & Dottie Platzer

Jill Gloin

Bread/Wine Presenters Lynne & Neil Windjack

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