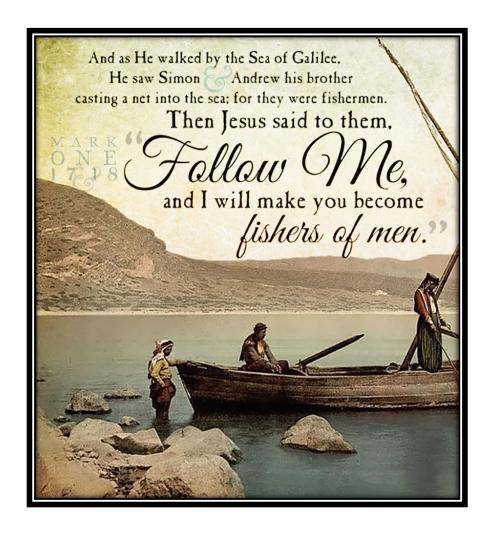
Third Sunday After Epiphany



10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist Sunday, January 26th, 2025

"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: The lord has appointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives *Luke 4.18*

Please stand.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise The glories of my God and King The triumphs of His grace

My gracious Master and my God Assist me to proclaim To spread thru all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin He sets the pris'ner free His blood can make the foulest clean His blood availed for me Glory to God and praise and love Be ever ever giv'n By saints below and saints above The Church in earth and heav'n

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 (sung)

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.

The Joy of The LORD Is My Strength

The joy of the LORD is my strength The joy of the LORD is my strength The joy of the LORD is my strength The joy of the LORD is my strength

He heals the broken-hearted and they cry no more He heals the broken-hearted and they cry no more He heals the broken-hearted and they cry no more The joy of the LORD is my strength!

He gives me living water and I thirst no more He gives me living water and I thirst no more He gives me living water and I thirst no more The joy of the LORD is my strength!

Please be seated.

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God,
by grace alone you call us
and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit,
and make us worthy of your call;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives 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 - Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Reader: A reading from Nehemiah

And all the people gathered as one person at the public square which was in front of the Water Gate, and they asked Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses which the Lord had given to Israel. ² Then Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly of men, women, and all who could listen with understanding, on the first day of the seventh month. ³ And he read from it before the public square which was in front of the Water Gate, from early morning until midday, in the presence of men and women, those who could understand; and all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law... Then Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶ Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God. And all the people answered, "Amen, Amen!" with the raising of their hands; then they kneeled down and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground...8 They read from the book, from the Law of God, translating to give the sense so that they understood the reading.9 Then Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people were weeping when they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Go, eat the festival foods, drink the sweet drinks, and send portions to him who has nothing prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your refuge."

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

Psalm 19

- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- ² One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- ³ Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard.
- ⁴ Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.
- ⁵ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again;

nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- ⁸ The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- ⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,

sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

- ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults.
- ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;
- then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Reader: A reading from 1 Corinthians

¹² For just as the body is one and yet has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. ¹³ For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴ For the body is not one part, but many. ¹⁵ If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not a part of the body," it is not for this reason any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I am not a part of the body," it is not for this reason any less a part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But now God has arranged the parts, each one of them in the body, just as He desired. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 But now there are many parts, but one body. 21 And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; or again, the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, it is much truer that the parts of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary; ²³ and those parts of the body which we consider less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor, and our less presentable parts become much more presentable, ²⁴ whereas our more presentable parts have no need of it. But God has so composed the body, giving more abundant honor to that part which lacked, ²⁵ so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ And if one part of the body suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if a part is honored, all the parts rejoice with it.²⁷ Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. ²⁸ And God has appointed in the

church, first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings,

helps, administrations, *and various* kinds of tongues. ²⁹ All are not apostles, are they? All are not prophets, are they? All are not teachers, are they? All are not *workers of* miracles, are they? ³⁰ All do not have gifts of healings, do they? All do not speak with tongues, do they? All do not interpret, do they? ³¹ But earnestly desire the greater gifts.

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

Please stand.

The Gospel – Luke 4:14-21

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.

¹⁴ And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread through all the surrounding region. ¹⁵ And He *began* teaching in their synagogues and was praised by all. ¹⁶ And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and as was His custom, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath, and stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed to Him. And He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,

Because He anointed Me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent Me to proclaim release to captives,

And recovery of sight to the blind,

To set free those who are oppressed,

¹⁹ To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord."

²⁰ And He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all *the people* in the synagogue were intently directed at Him. ²¹ Now He began to

say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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

Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to Thee Take my moments and my days Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee Take my voice and let me sing Always only for my King Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold Not a mite would I withhold Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine Take my heart it is Thine own It shall be Thy royal throne

Take my love my Lord I pour At Thy feet its treasure store Take myself and I will be Ever only all for Thee

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Loving God,

before the world began you called us.

Make holy all we offer you this day,
and strengthen us in that calling.

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

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

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. 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 (sung)

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.

<u>If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer</u> 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.

One Bread, One Body

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the Earth We are one body in this one Lord

Chorus

Gentile or Jew Servant or free Woman or man No more

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the Earth We are one body in this one Lord

Many the gifts, many the works One in the Lord Of all

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the Earth We are one body in this one Lord We are one body in this one Lord John Micheal Talbot

Open My Eyes That I May See

Chorus

Silently now I wait for Thee Ready my God Your will to see Open my eyes illumine me Open my eyes Spirit divine Open my eyes that I may see Glimpses of truth that You have for me Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp and set me free (chorus)

Open my ears that I may hear Voices of truth that You send so clear And while the wave-notes Fall on my ear Ev'rything false will disappear (chorus)

Open my mouth and let me bear Gladly the warm truth ev'rywhere Open my heart and let me prepare Love with Your children thus to share

Freely Freely

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name I've been born again in Jesus' name And in Jesus' name I come to you To share His love as He told me to

Chorus

He said freely freely You have received Freely freely give Go in My name And because you believe Others will know that I live

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name In earth and heav'n in Jesus' name And in Jesus' name I come to you

To share His pow'r as He told me to

The Bond Of Love

We are one in the bond of love We are one in the bond of love We have joined our spirit With the Spirit of God We are one in the bond of love

Let us sing now ev'ryone
Let us feel His love begun
Let us join our hands
So the world will know
We are one in the bond of love

Please stand and sing. Post Communion Song Here I am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save
I have made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart

I, the Lord of wind and flame I will tend the poor and lame I will set a feast for them My hand will save Finest bread I will provide 'Til their hearts be satisfied I will give my life to them Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart

I will hold Your people in my heart

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Gracious God,

our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. 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

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The love of God was ratified
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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 – January 26th, 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

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

St. Mark and St. Philip, Calgary The Rev. Eyad Ajji St. Martin, Calgary The Rev. Jerrod McCormack The Rev. Dcn. Mike Black The Rev. Betty Piwowar (Hon.)

In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

St. Mary, Bequia with Holy Cross, Paget Farm, Mustique; St. Michael, Canouan; and St. Matthias, Union Island The Ven. Everton Weekes The Rev. Frank Garraway

In the Anglican Church of Canada

The Most Rev. David Edwards, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

The dean, council, and congregations of the Atlantic and Montreal Areas of the Eastern Synod

The Moravian Church in Canada

The people and ministries of Millwoods Moravian Church in Edmonton

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

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

OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship Persecuted Christians everywhere

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Temple Baptist, Pastor Ed Lehman OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec The Reverend John Willems, Blenda and their family Christien Kieth Ellis, Phil & Muriel Erik, Harold & Kathy Exner & their families.

Hospitality Ministry
Compassion Canada & Teguh and Timo in Indonesia
The GriefShare Program
The Saturday Meal Program
The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Bev, 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:

Celebrant Co-Celebrant

Prayers of the People

Music

Reader(s) Greeters

Bread/Wine Presenters

Sound Board Lock-up

Offering Counters

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