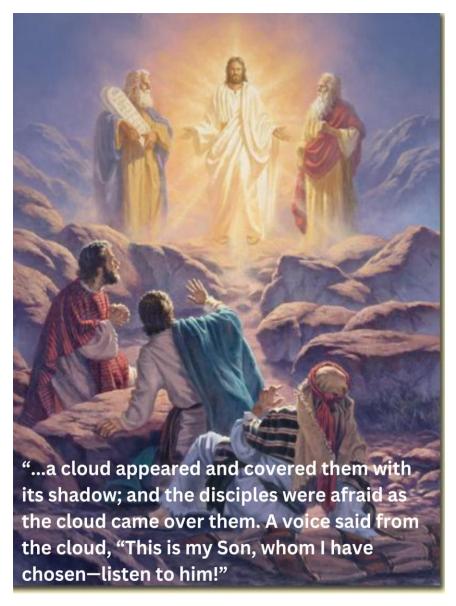
Last Sunday After Epiphany



10:30 Service of Holy Eucharist Sunday, March 2, 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: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. (Matthew 17:5)

Please stand.

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven
Praise my soul the King of heaven
To His feet thy tribute bring
Ransomed healed restored forgiven
Who like thee His praise should sing
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise the everlasting King

Praise Him for His grace and favour To our fathers in distress Praise Him still the same forever Slow to chide and swift to bless Praise Him Praise Him Praise Him Glorious in His faithfulness Father-like He tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame He knows
In His hands He gently bears us
Rescues us from all our foes
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him
Widely as His mercy flows

Angels in the height adore Him
Ye behold Him face to face
Sun and moon bow down before Him
Dwellers all in time and space
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him
Praise with us the God of grace

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.

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 splendour 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God,

on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

People: Amen.

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading – Exodus 34:29-35 Reader: A reading from Exodus

²⁹ And it came about, when Moses was coming down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the testimony were in Moses' hand as he was coming down from the mountain). that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because of his speaking with Him. 30 So when Aaron and all the sons of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to approach him. ³¹ Then Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the rulers in the congregation returned to him: and Moses spoke to them. ³² Afterward all the sons of Israel came near, and he commanded them to do everything that the Lord had spoken to him on Mount Sinai. 33 When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. 34 But whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with Him, he would take off the veil until he came out; and whenever he came out and spoke to the sons of Israel what he had been commanded, 35 the sons of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone. So Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with Him.

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

Psalm 99

¹ The Lord is king; let the people tremble;

he is enthroned upon the Cherubim; let the earth shake.

² The Lord is great in Zion;

he is high above all peoples.

³ Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome;

he is the Holy One.

⁴ "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool;

he is the Holy One.

⁶ Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his name,

they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

⁷ He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

⁸ "O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds."

⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill;

for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Reader: A reading from 1 Corinthians

¹² Therefore, having such a hope, we use great boldness in *our* speech, ¹³ and *we are* not like Moses, *who* used to put a veil over his face so that the sons of Israel would not stare at the end of what was fading away. ¹⁴ But their minds were hardened; for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remains unlifted, because it is removed in Christ. ¹⁵ But to this day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts; ¹⁶ but whenever *someone* turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, *there* is freedom. ¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled faces, looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

⁴ Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we received mercy, we do not lose heart, ² but we have renounced the things hidden because of shame, not walking in trickery nor distorting the word of God, but by the open proclamation of the truth commending ourselves to every person's conscience in the sight of God.

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

Please stand.

The Gospel Luke 9:28-43
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.

²⁸ About eight days after these sayings, He took along Peter, John, and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ And while He was praying, the appearance of His face became different, and His clothing became white and gleaming. 30 And behold, two men were talking with Him; and they were Moses and Elijah, 31 who, appearing in glory, were speaking of His departure, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² Now Peter and his companions had been overcome with sleep; but when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who were standing with Him. ³³ And as these *two men* were leaving Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; and let's make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not realizing what he was saying. 34 But while he was saying this, a cloud formed and began to overshadow them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ And *then* a voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!" ³⁶ And when the

voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent, and reported to no one in those days any of the things which they had seen. ³⁷ On the next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met Him. 38 And a man from the crowd shouted, saying, "Teacher, I beg You to look at my son, because he is my only son, ³⁹ and a spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams, and it throws him into a convulsion with foaming at the mouth; and only with difficulty does it leave him, mauling him as it leaves. 40 And I begged Your disciples to cast it out, and they could not." 41 And Jesus answered and said, "You unbelieving and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." 42 Now while he was still approaching, the demon slammed him to the ground and threw him into a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the boy and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. 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

Lord Have Mercy

Jesus I've forgotten
The words that You have spoken
Promises that burned within my heart
Have now grown dim
With a doubting heart I follow
The paths of earthly wisdom
Forgive me for my unbelief
Renew the fire again

Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on me
Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on me

I have built an altar
Where I've worshipped things of man
I have taken journeys
That have drawn me far from You
Now I am returning
To Your mercies ever flowing
Pardon my transgressions
Help me love You again [chorus]

I have longed to know You
And all Your tender mercies
Like a river of forgiveness
Ever flowing without end
So I bow my heart before You
In the goodness of Your presence
Your grace forever shining
Like a beacon in the night [chorus]

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Holy God,

receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our 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; because in the mystery of the world made flesh you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of salvation in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Now with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we lift 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 (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 Ministry is available by the font.</u>

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.

Once Again

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice You became nothing, poured out to death Many times I've wondered at your gift of life And I'm in that place once again I'm in that place once again

And once again I look upon the cross where you died I'm humbled by your mercy and I'm broken inside Once again I thank you
Once again I pour out my life

Now you are exalted to the highest place King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow But for now I marvel at your saving grace And I'm full of praise once again I'm full of praise once again

Once again I look upon the cross where you died I'm humbled by your mercy and I'm broken inside Once again I thank you Once again I pour out my life

Thank you for the cross
Thank you for the cross
Thank you for the cross, my friend

Yes, thank you for the cross Thank you for the cross Thank you for the cross, my friend

The Lord's my shepherd [Psalm 23]

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know.

Hymn #342. Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.

Could my tears forever flow, Could my zeal no languor know, Thee for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone. In my hand no price I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death, When I rise to worlds unknown And behold Thee on Thy throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

Please stand.

Post Communion Song
Be the Centre
Jesus be the Centre
Be my Source be my Light
Jesus

Jesus be the centre Be my hope be my song Jesus

> Be the fire in my heart Be the wind in these sails Be the reason that I live Jesus Jesus

Jesus be my vision Be my path be my guide Jesus

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name.

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

Hymn #562. Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art -Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

DISMISSAL

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

Prayers of the People – March 2nd, 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

Sunday next before Lent Quinquagesima The Anglican Church of Burundi

In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

St. Barnabas, Three Hills The Rev. Dr. James Enns The Rev. Dcn. Dr. Megan Roberts The Rev. Dcn. David Smith St. John the Divine, Acme The Rev. Dcn. David Bull

In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

St. Matthew, Biabou (bee-abou) with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent The Rev. Deacon Kenwick Lewis

In the Anglican Church of Canada

The Rt. Rev. John Organ, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

The dean, council, and congregations of the Georgian Bay and Huronia Areas of the Eastern Synod

The Moravian Church in Canada

The people and ministries of New Dawn Moravian Church in Toronto

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark

OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship Persecuted Christians everywhere

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Chaplaincy, CFB Suffield Gerlad Van Smeerdyk

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec Irene Heese, Jacquie Hehr, Doug Heine; & their families. Prayer leaders

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia and Jerusha (4yrs old) in Ghana. Stop by and check out the picture on the board!

The GriefShare Program
The Saturday Meal Program
The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Grace M; Scott: Celeste; John C; Mike; Jim; Sherry; Deanna; Betty Ann; Scott; Kevin; Wade; 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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"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation." 2 Corinthians 5:19

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

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Lay Reader Warren Sandham
Prayers of the People John Fedoruk

Music Carol Fedoruk

Reader(s) Val Brown & Gace Marshall

Greeters Barb & Brian Klien

Bread/Wine Presenters Bonnie & Hugh MacDonald

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