



Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

St. Augustine Parkland Anglican Church
131 Church Road
Spruce Grove Alberta

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service, January 30th, 2022

Rector: *The Very Rev. Neil Gordon*
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Be Not Afraid (Pre-Service Hymn)

You shall cross the barren desert - but you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety - though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words in foreign lands - and they will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

*Be not afraid - I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

If you pass through raging waters in the sea - you shall not drown
If you walk amid the burning flames - you shall not be harmed
If you stand before the power of hell - and death is at your side
Know that I am with you through it all

*Be not afraid - I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

Blessed are your poor - for the kingdom shall be theirs
Blest are you that weep and mourn - for one day you shall laugh
And if wicked men insult and hate you - all because of me
Blessed, blessed are you

*Be not afraid - I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest*

Word of God, Come Down on Earth - CP 446

Word of God, come down on earth, - living rain from heaven descending:
touch our hearts and bring to birth - faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere you; - Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

Word eternal, enthroned on high, - Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heaven to die, - crucified for our salvation;
saving Word, the world restoring, - speak to us, your love outpouring.

Word that speaks God's tender love, - one with God beyond all telling;
Word that sends us from above - God the Spirit, with us dwelling;
Word of truth, to all truth lead us; - Word of life, with one bread feed us.

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
People 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.

Glory to God

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,
People 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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Please join me in today's Collect,

All: **Living God,**
in Christ you make all things new.
Transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading (Winnie)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 71: 1-6

Since my mothers womb, you have been my strength.

Even in old age, you will be my strength.

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; - let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; - incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; - you are my crag and my stronghold.

Since my mothers womb, you have been my strength.

Even in old age, you will be my strength.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, - from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord God, - my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; - from my mothers womb you have been my strength; my praise shall always be of you.

Since my mothers womb, you have been my strength.

Even in old age, you will be my strength.

Second Reading (Bob)

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Where Charity and Love Prevail - CP 487

Where charity and love prevail, - there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love, - by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear - his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength - now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults - as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well - in Christian holiness.

Gospel

Reader THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE

People **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their

town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.
The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
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.

The Prayers of the People (Paula)

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant invites people to confession in these are similar words

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.

Silence is kept.

The officiant and people say together;

**Most merciful God,
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.**

Celebrant says,

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: **And also with you.**

The Power of Your Love

Lord I come to You, - let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I found in You.
And Lord I've come to know - the weaknesses I see in me will be stripped away
by the pow'r of Your love.

*Hold me close, let Your love surround me, - bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like an eagle; - and I will soar with You
Your spirit leads me on - in the pow'r of Your love.*

Lord unveil my eyes, - let me see You face to face;
the knowledge of Your love - as You live in me.

Lord renew my mind, - as Your will unfolds in my life, in living every day,
in the pow'r of Your love.

*Hold me close, let Your love surround me, - bring me near; draw me to Your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like an eagle; - and I will soar with You
Your spirit leads me on - in the pow'r of Your love.*

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Please join me in the prayer over the gifts,
All: **God of steadfast love,
may our offering this day,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
renew us for your service.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **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.*

Celebrant Holy and gracious God, accept our praise...

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, ...All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

People **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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 who 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 snow and rain, - I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. - They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, - give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word 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 - till 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.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Please join with me in the prayer after communion.

**All: Source of all goodness,
in this eucharist
we are nourished by the bread of heaven
and invigorated with new wine.
May these gifts renew our lives,
that we may show your glory to all the world,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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

Come Down, O Love Divine - CP 645

Come down, O Love divine, - seek thou this soul of mine, - and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, - within my heart appear, - and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

Let holy charity - mine outward vesture be, - and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart, - which takes the humbler part, - and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, - with which the soul will long, - shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace, - till they become the place - wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- We pray for Metropolitan Greg, Primate Linda, and Bishop Stephen. We also pray for our clergy, Father Neil, Rev. John and Rev. Lesley.
- We pray for the Diocese of Algoma: the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop (Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario). St. George, Edmonton: Madeleine Urion, Rector; Sheila Hagan-Bloxham and Lori Calkins, Honorary Assistants. Gahengeri Indigenous community in Buyé Diocese: Jean De Dieu Nzobarinda. Kehewin Cree Nation.
- in the world Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean .
- We pray for the sick, the bereaved and those with special needs, especially remembering Bill, George & Doreen, Margaret, Stephen, Bud, Vicki, Maxine, Charles, and Lauren.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Andy & Audrey, Jackie, Tammy, William & Glenda, George; and their families.