



## **Last Sunday After the Epiphany**

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

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service, February 27th, 2022

Rector: *The Very Rev. Neil Gordon*  
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### **Fairest Lord Jesus - CP 619 (Pre-Service Hymn)**

Fairest Lord Jesus, - ruler of all nature,  
O thou the Godhead's human son: - thee will I cherish,  
thee will I honour, - thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair is the sunshine, - fairer still the moonlight,  
and fair the twinkling, starry host; - Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer - than all the angels heaven can boast.

### **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise - CP 393**

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, - in light inaccessible hid from our eyes;  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, - almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhastin, and silent as light, - nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above - thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; - in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, - and wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

Great Source of all glory and wisdom and light, - thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see - 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

### **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.**

### **Gloria Hymn to God on High - CP 365**

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.  
We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.  
We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,  
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin, have mercy Lord.  
Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord. You only are most high.  
You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ. And now you reign  
with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* Please join me in today's Collect,  
All: **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. Amen.**

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

#### **First Reading (Doug)**

##### **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS**

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM 99A The Lord is King, Enthroned in Might**

The Lord is king, enthroned in might, - on wings of cherubim;  
he reigns in holiness and light, - bow down to worship him!  
Beyond all majesty and praise - his holy name confess:  
the King of everlasting days, - who rules in righteousness.

Of old to priests and prophets known, - with trembling, fear and awe,  
he gave his people, set in stone, - his statutes and his law.  
By those who called upon his name - the voice of God was heard,  
his presence shown in cloud and flame - when they obeyed his word.

O magnify the God of grace - who hears his people's cry,  
and come with songs before his face, - exalt his Name on high!  
to see at last, by grace restored - from sin and all its stains,  
the holy mountain of the Lord - where God in glory reigns.

### **Second Reading (Winnie)**

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **O Gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ - CP 14**

O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ, - in you the Father's glory shone.  
Immortal, holy, blest is he, - and blest are you, his holy Son.

Now sunset comes, but light shines forth; - the lamps are lit to pierce the night.  
Praise Father, Son, and Spirit: God - who dwells in the eternal light.

Worthy are you of endless praise, - O Son of God, life-giving Lord;  
wherefore you are through all the earth - and in the highest heaven adored.

# Gospel

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

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

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

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.**

### **Lord, the Love of Your Life is Shining - CP 460**

Lord the light of Your love is shining, - in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us; - set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
shine on me, - shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine - Fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, - set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow: - flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word, Lord, - and let there be light.*

Lord, I come into your awesome presence, - from the shadows into your radiance;  
by the blood I may enter your brightness; - search me, try me, consume all my darkness,  
shine on me, - shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine - Fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, - set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow: - flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word, Lord, - and let there be light.*

As we gaze on your kingly brightness - so our faces display your likeness;  
ever changing from glory to glory, - mirrored here may our lives tell your story,  
shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine - Fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, - set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow: - flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word, Lord, - and let there be light.*

## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant:* Please join me in the prayer over the gifts,

*All:* **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. 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,  
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.  
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.

### Alleluia! Glory to God - CP 457

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Glory to God who does wondrous things; - let all the people God's praises now sing;  
all of creation in splendour shall ring: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

See how salvation for all has been won; - up from the grave our new life has begun;  
life now perfected in Jesus, the Son: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Now in our presence the Lord will appear, - shine in the faces of all of us here;  
fill us with joy and cast out all our fear: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Call us, good Shepherd; we listen for you, - wanting to see you in all that we do;  
we would the gate of salvation pass through: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Lord, we are open to all that you say, - ready to listen and follow your way;  
you are the potter and we are the clay: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord; - God will protect us from fire and sword,  
fill us with love and the peace of his word: - alleluia!

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* Please join with me in the prayer after communion.

All: **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. 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**

### **Praise, My Soul - CP 381**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; - to his feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, - evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia, alleluia, - praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour - to our forebears in distress;  
praise him, still the same forever, - slow to chide and swift to bless;  
alleluia, alleluia, - glorious in his faithfulness.

Angels, help us to adore him; - you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon bow down before him, - dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia, - praise us with the God of grace.

## **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 British Columbia: the Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee, Bishop. St. Mark Jieng, Dinka community: Akon Lual Akon and John Ayuen, Priests. Buyé Synod Office: the Most Rev. Sixbert Macumi, Archbishop; Dominique Ciza, Diocesan Executive Secretary; Leonidas Nizigiyimana, Treasurer, Archdeacon of Gashikanwa; Jean Berchmans Mweningoma, Development Officer; Damascene Bagirubwira, Vice-Development Officer; Simion Kinono, Christian Education Coordinator; Nehemie Mbonyimpano, Diocesan Typist. Saddle Lake Cree Nation.
- in the world Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.
- We pray for the sick, the bereaved and those with special needs, especially remembering Bill, George, Margaret, Stephen, Bud, Vicki, Maxine, Charles, Lauren, Lesley, and Carol.
- We pray for the repose of the soul of Mark and all who mourn him.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Lindsay, Bev & Jim, Chris & Sharlene, Stephanie, Loreen; and their families.