

**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF VAUDREUIL
St James' and Live-Stream
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 17th, 2024 – 10:30am**

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

CP 397

**Praise the one who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.
Praise the one who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the one who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water, quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory, praise the One who makes us one.**

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

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.

The Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Kyrie Eleison – CP678

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day (BAS 295)

Most merciful God, **by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Anne Drake

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:9-16

⁹ How shall a young man cleanse his way? ***By keeping to your words.** ¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you; ***let me not stray from your commandments.** ¹¹ I treasure your promise in my heart, ***that I may not sin against you.** ¹² Blessed are you, O Lord; ***instruct me in your statutes.** ¹³ With my lips will I recite ***all the judgements of your mouth.** ¹⁴ I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees ***than in all manner of riches.** ¹⁵ I will meditate on your commandments ***and give attention to your ways.** ¹⁶ My delight is in your statutes; ***I will not forget your word.**

Lord, **you are just and your commandments are eternal. Teach us to love you with all our heart and to love our neighbour as ourselves, for the sake of Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

Mark Drake

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who

obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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Gradual Hymn: I Bind unto Myself Today

CP 436

I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.

I bind this day to me forever, by power of faith, Christ's incarnation, his baptism in the Jordan river, his death on cross for my salvation. His bursting from the spicèd tomb, his riding up the heavenly way, his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today the virtues of the starlit heaven, the glorious sun's life-giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at even, the flashing of the lightning free, the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks, the stable earth, the deep salt sea around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hearken to my need, the wisdom of my God to teach, his hand to guide, his shields to ward, the word of God to give me speech, his heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three, of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Gospel

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain;

but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--' Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Ven. Sophie Rolland

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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.

Prayers of the People

Nigel Holehouse

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

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.**

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: Just As I Am

CP 615

**Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy Blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am — thy love unknown has broken every barrier down —
now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

Prayer Over The Gifts

Eternal God, **your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ who bids us turn to you and prepare for the Paschal feast, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

Nous te rendons grâce, Seigneur Dieu, pour la bonté et l'amour que tu nous as manifestés dans la création, dans la vocation d'Israël, ton peuple, dans ta parole proclamée par les prophètes, et par-dessus tout, dans le Verbe fait chair, Jésus-Christ, ton Fils unique, notre Seigneur.

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."

De même, à la fin du repas, il prit la coupe. Après t'avoir rendu grâce, il la leur donna en disant : « Prenez et buvez-en tous, car ceci est la coupe de mon sang, le sang de l'Alliance nouvelle et éternelle qui sera versé pour vous et pour la multitude pour le pardon des péchés. Chaque fois que vous en boirez, faites-le en mémoire de moi. »

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

Dans la plénitude des temps, réconcilie et renouvelle toutes choses dans le Christ et conduis-nous à la cité de lumière, là où tu habites avec tous tes enfants, par Jésus-Christ notre Seigneur, le premier-né de toute création, la tête de l'Église et l'auteur de notre salut;

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread Sentence

We break this bread, Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

Holy Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us. [Repeat: x2]

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Hymn during Communion: Creator of the Earth and Skies

CP 173

**Creator of the earth and skies, to whom the words of life belong,
grant us your truth to make us wise; grant us your power to make us strong.**

**We have not known you: to the skies, our monuments of folly soar,
and all our self-wrought miseries have made us trust ourselves the more.**

**We have not loved you: far and wide the wreckage of our hatred spreads
and evils wrought by human pride recoil on unrepentant heads.**

**For this, our foolish confidence, our pride of knowledge, and our sin,
we come to you in penitence; in us the work of grace begin.**

**Teach us to know and love you, Lord, and humbly follow in your way.
Speak to our souls the quickening Word, and turn our darkness into day.**

Prayer After Communion

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Doxology

Glory to God, 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.

Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and Love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

Announcements

Your Hand, O God, Has Guided (1,3,5)

CP 444

Your hand, O God, has guided your flock, from age to age; the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page. Our forebears owned your goodness and we their deeds record, and both of this bear witness: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

When shadows, thickly falling, engulfed the world in night, you summoned forth your servants, your messengers of light. On them and on your people your plenteous grace was poured, and this was still their message: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone; with your right hand to help us, your people shall be one; and then, by all creation, your name shall be adored, and this shall be their anthem: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Dismissal

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Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday – March 28th

Simple potluck supper at 6:30pm followed by Maundy Thursday service with Washing of the Feet and Stripping of the Altar at St James'.

Good Friday – March 29th

11am Solemn Service at St Mary's

Easter Sunday – March 31st

6:15am Sunrise Service at St James'

8:30am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's

10:30am Choral Eucharist at St James'

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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Tea and Palm Sunday Cross Making: 4pm Saturday, March 23rd at St James'.