



the Church
of St Peter and
St Simon-the-Apostle

Second Sunday in Lent
February 28, 2021

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 am

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Preacher: The Rev. Michael Perry

Organist: Johan van 't Hof / Cantor: Mekhriban Mamedova

Mass Setting: Kyrie – Merbecke Sanctus/Benedictus *New Plainsong* — David Hurd;
Missa Brevis XIII (Holy Cross) – Agnus Dei – Healey Willan



This service is being live-streamed for those worshipping from home.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Andante, Sonata No. 1*

JOSEF RHEINBERGER

Introit *Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake*

RICHARD FARRANT

Choir *Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives;
to decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart
before thee now and evermore.*

Greeting

Celebrant Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

The Decalogue

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said, If you love me, keep my commandments; happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it. Hear then these commandments which God has given to his people and take them to heart.

I am the Lord your God: you shall have no other gods but me.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not dishonour the name of the Lord your God.

You shall worship him with awe and reverence.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Remember the Lord's day and keep it holy.

Christ is risen from the dead; set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honour your father and your mother.

Live as servants of God; honour one another; love the fellowship.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Thou shall not commit murder.

Be reconciled to your neighbour; overcome evil; with good.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

Know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

Be honest in all that you do and for one another.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not bear false witness.

Let everyone speak the truth.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbour.

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Love your neighbour as yourself, for love is the fulfilling of the law.

All Amen. Lord have mercy.

Kyrie

CP #678

Cantor Lord have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us,
Lord have mercy upon us

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Ash Wednesday

Celebrant Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our brokenness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Lesson *Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16*

Reader A reading from the Book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22.23-31 *Deus, Deus meus.* *Sung by the Cantor.*



- ²³ O praise the LORD, ye that **fear** him: /
 magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and stand in awe of him, all ye **seed** of
 Is-ra-el.
- ²⁴ For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the **poor**; /
 he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto **him** he heard-him.
- ²⁵ Of thee cometh my praise in the great conger-**ga**-tion; /
 my vows will I perform in the sight of **them** that fear-him.
- ²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfiêd; they that seek after the Lord shall **praise** him; /
 may your heart **live** for ev-er.
- ²⁷ All the ends of the world shall remember, and be turned unto the **Lord**; /
 and all the kindreds of the nations shall wor-**ship** before him.
- ²⁸ For the kingdom is the **Lord's** /
 and he is the Governor a-**mong** the na-tions.
- ²⁹ Surely to him shall all the proud of the earth bow **down**; /
 and before him shall kneel all that go down into the dust, and he that cannot **keep** his
 soul-a-live.
- ³⁰ Their posterity shall **serve** him; /
 it shall be told of the Lord unto a generation **yet** to come.

Second Lesson *Romans 4.13-25*

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations,"

according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 512 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (vs 1-2)

I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME (SOJOURNER)

Cantor *I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.*

All along my pilgrim journey, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trial, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me.

When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

The Holy Gospel *Mark 8.31-38*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

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

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gradual Hymn 512 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (vs 3)

I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME (SOJOURNER)

Cantor *When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me. When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

Homily The Rev. Michael Perry

Motet *A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester*

PAUL AYRES

(Recorded by the SPSS Choir, August 2019, in Chichester Cathedral)

Choir *Thanks be to thee my Lord Jesus Christ,
For all the benefits thou hast won for us,
For all the pains and insults thou hast borne for us.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
May we know thee more clearly,
Love thee more dearly,
And follow thee more nearly,
And all for thy name's sake.*

Apostles' Creed

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

All **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.**

Prayers of the People

(With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, “**Lord, have mercy.**”)

Leader For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Leader For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Confession, and Absolution

*The Celebrant invites the congregation to join in the General Confession.
Silence is kept. Please kneel or be seated.*

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.**

The Absolution is pronounced

Celebrant 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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant I beseech you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. *Romans 12.1.*

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 431 *Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said*

BRESLAU

*Choir Take up your cross, the Saviour said, if you would my disciple be;
Deny yourself, the world forsake, and humbly follow after me.*

*Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak soul with vain alarm;
his strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart and nerve your arm.*

*Take up your cross, nor heed the shame, and let your foolish pride be still;
your Lord for you endured to die upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.*

*Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly every danger brave:
'twill guide you to a better home and lead to victory o'er the grave.*

*Take up your cross and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.*

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **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.

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.

Cantor **Holy, holy, holy, Lord , God of power and might,** CP #689
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All **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

Celebrant We break this bread,

All **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

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

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

Agnus Dei

Choir *O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Holy Communion

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

For those worshipping from home, we commend this prayer for Spiritual Communion.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

(The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester - adapted)

Communion Hymn 76 *Thee We Adore, O Hidden Saviour, Thee*

ADORO TE

Cantor *Thee we adore, O hidden Savior, thee,
who in thy sacrament dost deign to be;
both flesh and spirit at thy presence fail,
yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.*

*O blest memorial of our dying Lord,
who living bread to us doth here afford,
O may our souls forever feed on thee,
and thou, O Christ, forever precious be.*

*Fountain of goodness, Jesus, Lord and God,
cleanse us, unclean, with thy most cleansing blood;
increase our faith and love, that we may know
the hope and peace which from thy presence flow.*

*O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
may what we thirst for soon our portion be,
to gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
the vision of thy glory and thy grace.*

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant All your works praise you, O Lord.

All **And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Sei gegrüßet, Jesu, gütig, Chorale and Variation No 11, BWV 768* J.S. BACH

In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Bishop Jenny Andison as she begins her new ministry at St Paul's Bloor Street.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer *Pray for* the Mission to Seafarers, and its ministry of pastoral and practical care to seafarers from around the world;

for the Church of the Nativity, Malvern, its after-school, summer camp and youth programs, Seniors' Community Lunch, and support for the local Indigenous community, Malvern Coalition and TAIBU Community Health Centre;

and for the Church of Our Saviour, Don Mills, its partnership with the Common Table community garden, ongoing support of the Flemingdon Park Ministry, Haven Toronto men's drop-in centre, Sistering women's shelter, and for Moorelands Community Services baby layette program.

Parish Cycle Paul & Martha McLean, David & Marian McPherson, Margaret Meynell, Rudy & Nadine Milne

Home Bound Parishioners Gail Birnie, Nancy Byers, Cintra Cassidy, Jim Colling, Ann Duff, Charlotte Graham, Lorraine Griffith, George Petricko, Lucy Simons, Lila Vamosi, Pam Young.

Parish Announcements

The deadline for submissions is Thursday at noon each week.

Services

- **Wednesday, March 3** *Eucharist*
11 am Choral Eucharist. Live-Stream only
- **Friday, March 5** *World Day of Prayer*
Zoom service at 11 am
- **Sunday, March 7** *Lent III*
10.30 am Choral Eucharist. Live-Stream only
- **Wednesday, March 10** *Eucharist*
11 am Choral Eucharist. Live-Stream only

Our Annual Vestry Meeting

Today our Annual Vestry meeting will take place by Zoom. Details to join the meeting will be emailed out on Saturday, February 27th.

Church School: For the time being, Sileen Phillips will be leading Church School On-line on Sundays at 10.25 am.

Lent Bible Study: Meaning in the Miracles

On Tuesday March 2nd from 7-8 pm, we will join with St Jude's, Wexford for the first study and discussion of *Jesus' miracles and their meaning* for us today. Next sessions: Tuesdays in March: the 9th, 16th, & 23rd. The study will be led by: Archbishop Fred Hiltz, former Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada; The Rev. Greg Carpenter; The Rev. Michael Perry; The Rev. Canon Geoffrey Sangwine, who each will facilitate a session. The sessions will happen over Zoom, with details sent out in the weekly email updates.

Augustine's Confessions

On Thursday, March 4th from 10-11 am St. Jude's Oakville will host the first session of a study of this classic Christian work, which follows God's work of conversion in St. Augustine's life, the conversion of the cosmos, and our on-going conversion in Christ. Led by the Rev. Dr. Gary Thorne, Chaplain of Huron College. Please let the office of St. Jude's know if you plan to attend. Pre-registration is required. Subsequent Session dates: Thursday March 11th, 18th, 25th, & April 1st, 8th, & 15th.

World Day of Prayer

Learn about Vanuatu in the warm South Pacific. Celebrate on March 5th by video. Watch for the link on your email updates to join the World Day of Prayer service. To watch the service at any time, go to <https://wicc.org/get-involved/events/> Scroll down to the blue band for the YouTube service.

The Garden Guild is in the process of creating a digital image collection of our property ranging from the most recent times right through the years back to when we had a Howard Street lych gate. All contributions from any era will be greatly appreciated. Please let us know if you have any photographs, diagrams or sketches that you could lend us. We are also seeking any extra gardening tools that you might have around home that you are not likely to use this upcoming summer. Please let us know. The time is almost approaching to start our seedlings, and cuttings. We are looking for some sunny interior window sills and volunteers who can nurture a pot or two in preparation for outdoor spring planting. Can you help?

If so, please contact Carol Peck ctpeck35hotmailcom@yahoo.ca, Nancy Nourse noursewind@sympatico.ca or any other Garden Guild member. Our next meeting is April 11th at 1 pm after coffee hour on Zoom; please feel free to join us.

Flower Donations: If you would like to make an offering of flowers as a thanksgiving or memorial, please contact Sheila Thomas, Flower Co-ordinator, or the Church office. At this time, we are looking ahead to planning flowers for Eastertide.



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