

Third Sunday after Epiphany January 23, 2022

Sung Eucharist at 10.30 am

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine Assisting: Jillian Ruch

Music Director & Organist: Robin Davis / Cantor: Katherine Jones

Mass Setting:

Communion Service in G – Kyrie & Agnus Dei – Francis Jackson

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Welcome to the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle.

The service begins on page 185 of the *Book of Alternative Services*.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude Elegy Sir Hubert Parry

Greeting

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

All And also with you.

Opening Hymn 344 From All that dwell Below the Skies

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Cantors From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise; alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
through every land, in every tongue:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord: eternal truth attends thy Word; alleluia, alleluia! Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant Almighty God,

All 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.

Kyrie – *Sung by the Cantor*

Cantor Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

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

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service.

Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson *Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10*

Read by Carol Peck

Reader A reading from the Book of Nehemiah.

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the

Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 Caeli enarrant. Sung by the Cantors



- ¹ THE HEA-vens declare the **glo**-ry of God; / and the firmament showeth **his** han-dy²work.
- ² One day tell-**eth** an-o-ther; /

and one night certifieth an-o-ther.

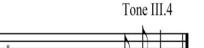
³ There is neither **speech** nor lan-guage; /

their voice can-not be heard;

- ⁴ Yet their sound is gone out **in**-to all lands; / and their words into the ends **of** the world.
- ⁵ In them hath he set a taber-**na**-cle for the sun; /

which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant **to** run his course.

- ⁶ It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the **end** of ^it a-gain; / and there is nothing hid from **the** heat there of.
- ⁷ The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, re-**stor**-ing the soul; / the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto **the** sim-ple.





⁸ The precepts of the Lord are right, **and** re-joice the heart; / the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light un-to the eyes.

⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, and endur-**eth** for ev-er; /

the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous al-to-ge-ther.

¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, **yea**, than much fine gold; / sweeter also than honey, and the hon-ey-cômb.

¹¹ Moreover, by them **is** thy ser-vant taught; /

and in keeping of them there is great re-ward.

¹² Who can tell how oft **he** of-fend-eth? /

O cleanse thou me from **my** se-cret-faults.

¹³ Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the do-**min**-ion o-ver me: /

so shall I be undefiled and innocent from **the** great of-fence.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,

be alway ac-cept-a-ble in thy sight, /

O Lord, my strength and my re-deem-er.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 12.12-31A

Read by Carol Peck

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. Reader

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 658 Filled with the Spirit's Power

SHELDONIAN

Gospeller: Jillian Ruch

Cantor

Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord the infant church confessed its risen Lord. O Holy Spirit, in the church today no less your power of fellowship display.

Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire, that unity may be our great desire.

Give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call, and readiness in each to work for all.

Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace in your strong care people of every race. Like wind and fire with life among us move, till we are known as Christ's, and Christians prove.

The Holy Gospel Luke 4.14-21

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was

praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, All 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 – Led by Jillian Ruch

Confession and Absolution

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.

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 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.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 412 O God, Beyond All Face and Form

MELITA

Choir O God beyond all face and form, you willed it that creation's night should blaze, and chaos still its storm, and birth a universe of light. All things below, all things above are formed of your eternal love.

The glory of the galaxies, the beauty of a baby's hand, The thundering of the restless seas, the glory of the forest's stand – all things below, all things above are formed of your eternal love.

You gave our race both form and name, and love for us was your intent; then to a woman's womb love came, and on a cross was wholly spent. All things below, all things above are formed of this incarnate love.

Of this great love all loves are born, of self, of neighbour, and of earth. By love shall night be turned to morn, and death shall never conquer birth. All things below, all things above are formed of God's eternal love.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **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.

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. Amen. Celebrant Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

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. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

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

All Amen.

Celebrant And now as our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to pray:

All 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 them that 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 Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

For those not receiving the sacrament 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)

Agnus Dei Sung by the Cantor

Cantor

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn 259 For the Fruits of All Creation East Acklam – Francis Jackson

Cantor For the fruits of this creation, thanks be to God:
gifts bestowed on every nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done. In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Motet Open Thou Mine Eyes (Pre-recorded 2013)

JOHN RUTTER

Choir

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see; Incline my heart and I shall desire; Order my steps and I shall walk In the ways of thy commandments.

O Lord God, be thou to me a God And beside thee let there be none else, No other, naught else with thee.

Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee According to thy commandments
In truth of spirit,
In reverence of body,
In blessings of lips,
In private and in public.

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 this 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.

Celebrant Glory to God,

All 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 & Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. All Thanks be to God.

Postlude Archbishop's Fanfare

FRANCIS JACKSON

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In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hu.

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u> Canadian Council of Churches.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer *Pray for* the Parish of Fenelon Falls, its community gardens, community kitchen, cooking classes, and support of the Good Food Box;

for the Parish of Georgina, its Summer Outreach Chaplaincy, support of local needs as they arise, the Georgina Community Food Pantry, Sandgate Shelter for Women, Optimist Christmas Adopt-a-family program, GEG refugee sponsorship, food voucher distribution, prayer shawl ministry, Faithworks and PWRDF World of Gifts;

and for Grace Church-on-the-Hill, its support of the Churches-on-the-Hill food bank, provision of meals for Out of the Cold programs, refugee resettlement work, and support of Indigenous ministries, international emergency response and development, prison ministry, and food security organizations.

<u>Parish Cycle</u> David & Marian McPherson, Margaret Meynell, Rudy & Nadine Milne, Paul Mitchell.

<u>Home Bound Parishioners</u> Gail Birnie, Joyce Brighty, Nancy Byers, Jim Colling, Ann Duff, Charlotte Graham, Lorraine Griffith, George Petricko, Lucy Simons, Lila Vamosi, Daphne Webster, Pam Young.